

# Alford House

6 April 1966 – 1976

## Details

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Alford House, in Toowoomba, was a family group home co-located with Horton House. It was run by the Salvation Army. It opened in 1966 and became part of the renamed Horton Village in 1976.

As a result of the 1960s move towards providing care for children in smaller cottages, work began on building two cottage units on the land surrounding Horton House in 1965. The foundation stones were laid by Mr Anderson MLA on 28 July 1965 and Alford House and Hocking House were opened by Mr J Herbert MLA on 6 April 1966.

Each cottage housed up to 16 children with house parents.

In 1976 the whole complex became known as Horton Village.

In the mid-1980s the complex was re-organised to accommodate intellectually disabled adults. By 1985 children were no longer cared for at Horton Village.

## Gallery

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**Horton House**

**Description:** Horton House was built in the late 1800s by James Horton. The home was donated to the Salvation Army in 1942 and operated as a girl's home until 1985.

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## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [The Salvation Army Australia Eastern Territory \(1921 - 2018\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Horton House \(1963 - 1976\)](#)  
Alford House was a cottage home that was part of Horton House.
- [Horton Village \(1976 - 1985\)](#)  
Alford House became part of Horton Village in 1976.

## Resources

- Blayse, Lewis, [Some More Salvation Army Children's Homes \(Or: Ve Gaf Vays Of Making You Afraid\)](#), lewisblayse.net, 12 January 2014

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records

- [Salvation Army Australia, Records of Homes in the former Eastern Territory \(c. 1891 - 1990s\)](#)
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