

# Destitute Board, South Australian Government

1849 – 1927

**Other Names:** • Destitute Persons Department

## Details

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The Destitute Board was responsible for a number of homes in South Australia. In 1886, under the provisions of the *Destitute Person's Act Amendment Act*, responsibilities for children in state care, and the management of children's Homes, were transferred to the newly-created State Children's Council. The Board continued to exist and was responsible for the [Destitute Asylum](#).

## More info

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### Chronology

- **Destitute Board, South Australian Government (1849 – 1927)**
  - State Children's Council (1886 - 1927)
    - Children's Welfare and Public Relief Board (1927 - 1966)
      - Department of Social Welfare, South Australian Government (1966 - 1970)
        - Department of Social Welfare and Aboriginal Affairs, South Australian Government (1970 - 1972)
          - Department for Community Welfare, South Australian Government (1972 - 1990)

### Related Entries

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- [Boys' Reformatory Hulk, Fitzjames \(1880 - 1891\)](#)  
Date: 1880 - 1886
- [Destitute Asylum \(1851 - c. 1917\)](#)
- [Brighton Industrial School \(1867 - 1869\)](#)  
Date: 1867 - 1869
- [Ilfracombe, Boys Reformatory \(1869 - 1880\)](#)  
Date: 1869 - 1880
- [Magill Industrial School \(1869 - 1898\)](#)  
Date: 1869 - 1886
- [Boys' Reformatory, Magill \(1869 - 1880\)](#)

#### Related Legislation

- [Destitute Persons Relief Act 1866, South Australia \(1867 - 1872\)](#)  
The Destitute Persons Relief Act 1866 established the Destitute Board.
- [The Destitute Persons Act Amendment Act 1886, South Australia \(1886 - 1927\)](#)

### Related Organisations

- [Destitute Poor Department, South Australian Government \(1849 - 1910\)](#)

## Records

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### Records

- [Records created by the Destitute Board \(c. 1845 - 1927\)](#)
  - [Minutes - Destitute Board \(1849 - 1927\)](#)
  - [Correspondence 'DBO' files - Destitute Board Office, Destitute Asylum \(1876 - 1927\)](#)
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