

# Nindee Hostel

1971 –

## Details

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Nindee Hostel was opened by the government at Beulah Park in 1971 as accommodation for secondary school boys and girls from remote areas. Children attended high schools in the Norwood area. Nindee Hostel was still operating in 2018 and was run by Aboriginal Hostels Limited as short term accommodation for Indigenous people living away from home.

Nindee, meaning 'educated', was the first of a small number of hostels for Aboriginal young people opened during 1971. Luprina Hostel was another of these hostels that were financed by the Commonwealth Government to provide accommodation for Aboriginal children working or studying in the city and/or suburbs.

Nindee Hostel in Beulah Park was specifically used as accommodation for secondary school boys and girls from remote areas. Children attended high schools in the Norwood area. The hostel was run with the assistance of an Advisory Committee which included Aboriginal representatives.

With the establishment of the Department for Community Welfare in 1972 responsibility for Nindee was transferred to the new separate Department of Aboriginal Affairs.

In 2018, Nindee Hostel continued to operate as short-term accommodation in Adelaide for Indigenous people who were living away from home to access services or economic opportunity, and was run by Aboriginal Hostels Limited.

## Gallery

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**Nindee Hostel**

**Description:** This photo is undated, the date included is an estimate.

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## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Department of Social Welfare and Aboriginal Affairs, South Australian Government \(1970 - 1972\)](#)  
Date: 1971 - 1972
- [Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Federal Government \(1972 - 1990\)](#)  
Date: 1972 -

## Related Events

- [Children in State Care Commission of Inquiry, South Australia \(2004 - 2008\)](#)

## Related Organisations

- [Allambi Girls' Hostel \(1947 - 1977\)](#)  
In the mid 1970s five Hostels for children between 12 and 18 years were operating. These included Kumanka Hostel, Nindee Hostel, Luprina Hostel, Stuart House Hostel and Allambi Girls' Hostel.
- [Kumanka Boys' Hostel \(1946 - 1980\)](#)  
In the mid 1970s five Hostels for children between 12 and 18 years were operating. These included Kumanka Hostel, Nindee Hostel, Luprina Hostel, Stuart House Hostel and Allambi Girls' Hostel.
- [Luprina Hostel \(1971 - current\)](#)  
Nindee Hostel and Luprina Hostel were both funded by the Commonwealth Government to provide accommodation for Aboriginal children working or studying in the city and/or suburbs.
- [Stuart House Boys' Hostel \(1964 - 1990\)](#)  
In the mid 1970s five Hostels for children between 12 and 18 years were operating. These included Kumanka Hostel, Nindee Hostel, Luprina Hostel, Stuart House Hostel and Allambi Girls' Hostel.

# Records

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

## Records

- [Records of the Social Welfare Department and predecessors \(1849 - c. 1987\)](#)
  - [Records of the Department for Community Welfare and Successor Agencies \(1972 - current\)](#)
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