

# Brookway Unit

c. 1984 – 1992

## Details

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During the 1970s and into the 1980s, the department used smaller residential care units for State children rather than large institutions. Each metropolitan region had a number of units which were used for different purposes. Admission Units provided short term crisis care; Assessment Units were used for teenage young offenders and other units provided therapeutic care for children with specific needs. Finally Community Units provided longer term care and also assisted young people to move gradually back into the community. Units generally accommodated up to eight children.

Current research suggests that the Brookway Unit closed in 1992.

## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Department for Community Welfare, South Australian Government \(1972 - 1990\)](#)
- [Department for Family and Community Services, South Australian Government \(1990 - 1998\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Ningana Community Unit \(1979 - 1984?\)](#)

It is possible that Brookway Unit was the new name given to the former Ningana Community Unit.

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