

Malmesbury Family Group Home

c. 1981 – 2009

Details

Malmesbury Family Group Home, run by the government, replaced Malmesbury Receiving Home in about 1981. It was in West Hobart. The Home provided temporary accommodation to children who were wards of state or supervised in other ways by the Social Welfare Department and its successors. The Home closed in 2009.

A married woman managed Malmesbury Family Group Home with the assistance of her husband, who was in paid employment outside the Home. In return, they did not pay rent.

The Home provided accommodation for new wards of the state or children on remand from the courts until the Department found a more permanent placement for them. It also took in children requiring temporary accommodation under the *Domestic Service Assistance Act* and in transit between homes. Some children stayed in the home longer if they got on well with the Family Group Home Carer.

Gallery



The former Malmesbury Girls', Receiving and Family Group Home

Description: The 2012 owners of the former Malmesbury Receiving and Family Group Home supplied this photograph.



The former Malmesbury Girls', Receiving and Family Group Home in 2008

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The former Malmesbury Girls', Receiving and Family Group Home in 2009

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The former Malmesbury Girls', Receiving and Family Group Home in 2010. The evacuation slide is on the right. The Social Welfare Department installed it in case of fire.

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More info

Chronology

- Malmesbury Girls' Home (1950 - 1962)
 - Malmesbury Receiving Home (c. 1962 - c. 1980)
- **Malmesbury Family Group Home (c. 1981 – 2009)**

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- [Social Welfare Department, State of Tasmania \(1961 - 1983\)](#)
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- [Department of Community and Health Services, State of Tasmania \(1993 - 1998\)](#)
- [Department of Health and Human Services, State of Tasmania \(1998 - 2018\)](#)
- [Department for Community Welfare, State Government of Tasmania \(1983 - 1989\)](#)

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