

# St Mary's Child and Family Welfare Service

1972 – 1980s

## Details

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The original aims of St Mary's Child and Family Welfare Service outlined in their constitution were to provide:

(1) residential care for children who are unable to remain within their family group; (2) assistance to enable reinstatement of children within their family group; (3) after-care for children who have left St. Mary's; (4) accommodation for children requiring residential care whilst attending educational institutions in Alice Springs; (5) such other preventive, restorative and educational service as may be possible and necessary for children separated or likely to be separated from their family group.

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## More info

### Chronology

- St Mary's Child and Family Welfare Service (1972 1980s)
  - Anglicare NT, Northern Territory (2002 current)

#### **Related Entries**

#### Ran

- St Mary's Children's Village (1972 1980s)
- Leslie Cottage, St Mary's (1973 1980s)

- Heath Cottage, St Mary's (1971 1980s)
- Matthews Cottage, St Mary's (1973? 1980s)

## Records

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• Correspondence files relating to social development with "SD" prefix, Northern Territory Social Development Branch and successors (1974 - 1980)

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