

# Case Study 05: The Salvation Army boys' homes, Australian Eastern Territory, Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse

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## Details

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Case Study 5: The Salvation Army boys' Homes, Australian Eastern Territory was a public hearing of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, held in Sydney in January and February of 2014. It inquired into the experiences of former child residents at Alkira Salvation Army Home for Boys/Indooroopilly and Riverview Training Farm in Queensland, and Bexley Boys Home and Gill Memorial Home in New South Wales. During the hearings evidence was heard from former residents of the four homes, as well as former and current staff of The Salvation Army, New South Wales and Queensland Police, and government departments.

In January 2015, the Royal Commission subsequently published its findings in the *Report of Case Study No.5: Response of The Salvation Army to child sexual abuse at its boys homes in New South Wales and Queensland*. The webpage for Case Study 5 published on the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse website includes the final report for Case Study 5, transcriptions of each day of the public hearing, exhibits and submissions related to the Case Study, and a list of witnesses who gave evidence during the Case Study.

## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Related Events

- [Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, Commonwealth Government \(2012 - 2017\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Gill Memorial Boys' Home \(1936 - 1980\)](#)
- [Bexley Boys' Home \(1915 - 1979\)](#)
- [Riverview Training Farm \(1926 - 1956\)](#)
- [Alkira, Salvation Army Home for Boys \(September 1969 - 1983\)](#)

- [Boys' Home, Indooroopilly \(1946 - 1968\)](#)
- [Cooinda Salvation Army Home for Boys \(1968 - September 1969\)](#)

## Resources

- F.E., *Statement in the matter of the Salvation Army Eastern Territory's Handling of Claims of Child Sexual Abuse: Statement and annexures of FE*, 11 March 2014
  - [Opening Submissions of Counsel Assisting: Case Study 05: The Salvation Army boys' homes, Australian Eastern Territory, January 2014](#), 28 January 2014
  - Bidy, Paul, [Salvation Army abuse at 'severe end' of the scale](#), Sydney Morning Herald, 29 January 2014
  - Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, [Report of Case Study No. 5: Response of The Salvation Army to child sexual abuse at its boys homes in New South Wales and Queensland](#), January 2015
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