

Bakhita Village

1972 – 1974

Details

Bakhita Village was opened in the Darwin suburb of Coconut Grove in January 1972 by the Canossian Daughters of Charity, a Catholic order from Italy. It was a small complex of five family-style homes that provided long and short term residential care for children. Bakhita Village was open for just short of three years before its destruction by Cyclone Tracy in December 1974. While the site was subsequently rebuilt, it no longer provided residential care for children. The Canossian Sisters continued to live at the Bakhita Village convent until 1983, when the site was transferred to the St Vincent de Paul Society for use as a homeless men's shelter.

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