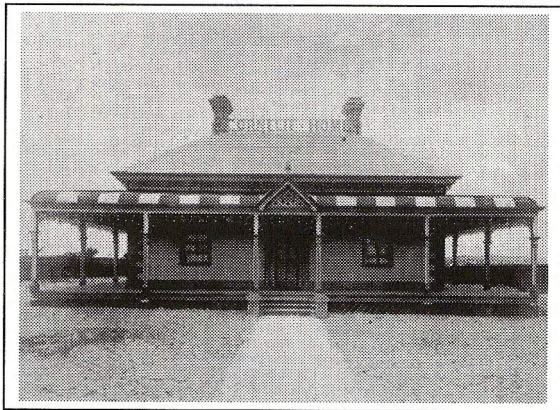


## ***CORNELIE HOME***

- ***79 Lincoln Street, Highgate, Western Australia 1903 -***

The Salvation Army's Claisebrook Street Rescue Home in Perth, which was caring for women and girls with a great variety of social needs, was only a leased property. Consequently there was great rejoicing in 1898 when the Army was able to purchase a property at 79 Lincoln Street, Perth. The women and girls from the Claisebrook Street home were transferred there.



This prefaced the presence of a home and service that would remain there a century later.

This new home was named after Cornelia Booth who was the main force behind the establishment of the home. Cornelia was the wife of Herbert Booth, a son of the Founder, William Booth, and at that time Herbert was in charge of The Salvation Army's work throughout Australasia.

Originally the home's residents and clients included unmarried mothers, elderly women, and women on release from prison. Fortunately it was possible within a few years to establish specialised homes for most of these people, located in other suburbs.

In 1903 the maternity programme was transferred to The Open Door, in North Fremantle.

Soon after, the Cornelie Home was renamed Graceville and it remained as an emergency accommodation facility for women whilst at the same time providing longer-term accommodation for more dependent women.