

FACTSHEET

PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY HOUSING



There are several differences between public and community housing. We've highlighted a few key differences.

WHAT IS PUBLIC HOUSING ?

- It is a type of long term housing that is owned and **managed by the government**
- In Victoria, that is the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing

WHAT IS COMMUNITY HOUSING ?

- Affordable, long term housing, for individuals and families who are on low incomes
- There are different types of community housing
- In Victoria, it is managed by **not-for-profit organisations**

HOW IS RENT CALCULATED



Public Housing

Public housing cannot charge you more than 25% of your household income.

Community Housing

Community housing can charge you 30% of your household income.

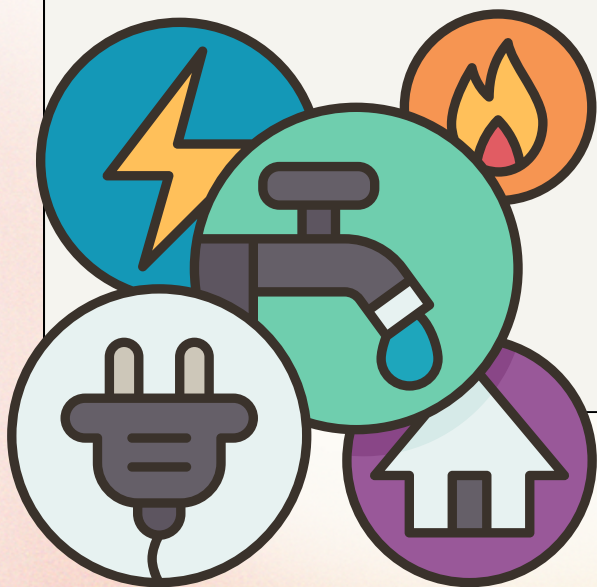
Some renters in community housing are only being charged 25% during the redevelopment. If you stay in community housing after the redevelopment, this may increase.



WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW ?

Utility/service charges

Community Housing can charge you extra 'services charges' and increase the amount of service charges as their costs increase.



WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW ?

Policies hold important rights and protections for renters in public and community housing.

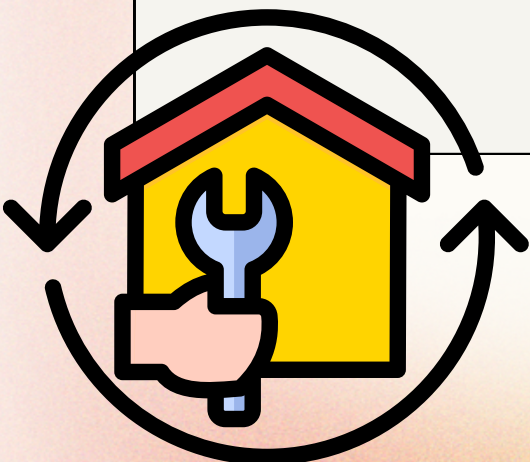
Policies for community housing providers differ, and they are different from public housing.

For example:

Disability modifications

In most instances with public housing, disability modifications are provided at no cost.

Usually, community housing won't pay for any disability modifications, even if they have approved them. You will need to pay for modifications yourself, or get them through NDIS.



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