

# Properties and Property Management

*WPI owns and manages 91 homes, accommodating more than 230 women and children. They include a mixture of 1 and 2 bedroom apartments, 1 and 2 bedroom townhouses, and 3 and 4 bedroom houses.*

## OUR PROPERTIES

During 2019 and 2020 we have continued to expand our housing portfolio, with six new homes built in Pakenham, an additional home built and donated to WPI by the Victorian Homeless Fund (also in Pakenham) and with the purchase of 9 apartments in Brunswick and 10 in Bundoora that are under construction as part of larger developments. We have also just commenced construction on four homes in Beaconsfield for the pilot of our Older Women's Housing Project.

Our homes are scattered within apartment blocks or they are free-standing homes in new or existing estates. Located in thriving communities in Melbourne's inner, middle and outer suburbs, these homes cater for the diverse needs of the women and children that we house. We strive to make sure that the homes we build or acquire blend into their surrounding communities, and enable access to employment, community, support networks, services, transport, schools and other amenities. Access to schools, disability support, community resources, and in some cases, migrant communities, can be critical factors in establishing successful, long-term tenancies.

In 2020 we started managing an additional 39 affordable homes on behalf of other organisations, bringing the total of properties managed by WPI on behalf of Affordable Rentals Victoria, CEHL and Haven Home Safe to 139. These properties are suitable for low to middle income earners struggling to afford private rents.

We strive to ensure our homes are secure and energy efficient. We provide additional security where required and access to female tradespeople for tenants who for, whatever reason, are more comfortable allowing women into their homes.

## PROPERTY MANAGEMENT STATISTICS

(includes properties owned and managed by WPI and properties managed on behalf of other providers)



115  
SOCIAL HOUSING PROPERTIES



136  
PROPERTIES LEASED



221  
REQUESTS FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE



115  
AFFORDABLE PROPERTIES



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