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Record housing investment delivering more new homes for vulnerable Tasmanians

The Rockliff Liberal Government is continuing to roll out its record investment in social housing, providing homes for Tasmanians in need. Every Tasmanian deserves a roof over their head, and we are taking action to deliver this.

In partnership with Homes Tasmania, Community Housing Limited (CHL) has recently completed construction of a three-bedroom unit in Ravenswood, in Launceston's north-east. This home will be used to house priority applicants from the Housing Register.

"I was delighted to meet the first tenant of this new unit, Tameika and to hear her story about the difference this new home will make to her life and the lives of her children," Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing Guy Barnett said.

"This unit has been built on land owned by Homes Tasmania and leased to CHL under a 40-year ground lease, securing its use as social housing for decades to come.

"It forms part of our Community Housing Growth Program, which will deliver more than 1,000 new social housing properties around the state by the end of 2023.

"Tameika's home is just one of numerous projects CHL is currently delivering in the State's North, with more than 100 units under construction.

"These homes – all due for completion by May 2024 – will go a long way towards easing the pressure on Housing Register applicants who are seeking a home.

"These homes are all part of our ambitious, \$1.5 billion plan to deliver 10,000 new social and affordable homes by 2032, helping to put roofs over the heads of our most vulnerable. We are currently on track to build 1,500 dwellings by June 30 with 800 completed by the end of February.

"Ultimately, increasing housing supply is the best way to address housing affordability and to get Tasmanians off the Housing Register and into suitable homes.

"We are getting things done and building Tasmania's future."