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Guy Barnett, Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing

More social housing on the way for North-West Tasmanians in need

The Rockliff Liberal Government is partnering with a range of organisations to deliver more social housing for vulnerable Tasmanians across the State.

Demand for social housing is increasing across our regions, including the far North-West where there are more than 460 units of accommodation in the pipeline.

In Smithton, Homes Tasmania have partnered with the St Vincent de Paul Society Tasmania and Centacare Evolve Housing to deliver a 28-unit development, due for completion in December 2023.

The one and two-bedrooms units in this project – known as Rosalie Court – will be available for Housing Register priority applicants aged over 55 from December 2023.

The Rockliff Liberal Government has supported this project with \$5.04 million, with the remainder being funded by St Vincent's.

“It’s wonderful to see our charitable organisations teaming up to deliver more social housing for vulnerable Tasmanians,” Guy Barnett, Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing said.

“We want Homes Tasmania to be innovative and agile, and these collaborations are a perfect example of how we can all work together to deliver for Tasmanians.

“I’d like to congratulate St Vincent de Paul and Centacare Evolve Housing on their amazing developments and all the work they do to improve the lives of Tasmanians right around the State,” Minister Barnett said.

These homes, all due for completion by the end of 2023, will go a long way to easing the pressure on Housing Register applicants who are seeking a home in the North-West.

These homes are all part of the Rockliff Liberal Government’s ambitious 10-year, \$1.5 billion plan to deliver 10,000 new social and affordable homes across the state by 2032.

The Tasmanian Government is taking action to boost the state’s social housing stocks and these developments are showing the results of our hard work.