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More rental incentives available for Tasmanian property owners

The Tasmanian Liberal Government has the most ambitious social and affordable housing plan in the State's history and more incentives are now available for Tasmanian property owners with the release of the expanded Private Rental Incentives (PRI) program.

Property owners are invited to information sessions scheduled in Devonport on Thursday, 13 October 2022 and in Launceston on Friday, 14 October 2022.

PRI is just one of the ways the Tasmanian Government is improving the housing market and increasing housing affordability.

Under the PRI program, property owners are invited to make their homes available for affordable rent to households on low incomes and who have low or no support needs.

Rents are capped at between 25 to 30 per cent below median rates in their region.

In return, property owners receive an incentive payment of up to \$9,900 per property per annum. Tenancy and property management is provided on behalf of the property owner by experienced community housing provider Centacare Evolve Housing.

Property owners are guaranteed rent for a two-year lease.

The Tasmanian Government is doubling the portfolio with incentives with a further 200 homes under the expanded program.

Landlords can find out more information about the program, including upcoming information events, by visiting https://www.communities.tas.gov.au/housing.

Tasmanians on low incomes and who can live in private rental with an affordable rent may be eligible to apply.

The Tasmanian Government has made the single largest housing investment in the State's history consolidating housing as one of the highest priorities of Government ever.

The \$1.5 billion housing package will make an unprecedented difference to the lives of Tasmanians by improving the housing system and delivering 10,000 homes for Tasmanians in need by 2032.

Information sessions will be held: Devonport Devonport Novotel Cnr Best and Rooke Streets, Devonport 5.30 pm on Thursday, 13 October 2022. Launceston Hotel Grand Chancellor 29 Cameron St, Launceston 5.30 pm on Friday, 14 October 2022. Landlords can also find out more information about the program by visiting https://www.communities.tas.gov.au/housing.