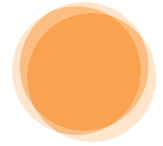


# INTEGRATED HOUSING & SUPPORT DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

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The Summer Foundation is building housing demonstration projects to provide concrete examples of alternatives for young people living in nursing homes. We are establishing our housing model's efficacy and sharing the knowledge generated by these projects with other organisations and government to move this work from pilots to policy change.

## HOUSING DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

In 2012, the Summer Foundation established its first housing demonstration project in collaboration with Common Equity Housing Ltd, the Transport Accident Commission / Residential Independence Pty Ltd and annecto in inner-Melbourne. This housing demonstration project has six fully accessible self-contained one-bedroom apartments for people with disability, peppered throughout a 59-unit mixed private and social housing development. A 3-minute video demonstrating the technology incorporated into the apartments can be seen [here](#)<sup>1</sup>. You can also view the stories of two of our tenants of our first housing demonstration project [here](#)<sup>2</sup> and [here](#)<sup>3</sup>.



The Summer Foundation's second housing demonstration project is in the Hunter region in the New South Wales NDIS trial site. We have purchased 10 apartments for people with disability, peppered throughout a 110-unit private development. One additional apartment will accommodate an office and sleepover space for disability support workers.



1. Summer Foundation Housing Technology video available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5DvjpQpBlpc&feature=youtu.be>

2. Tenant's story available at <https://youtu.be/1E0OX5GOKMY>

3. Tenant's story available at <https://youtu.be/Z5jLOE-JLHM>

## WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?

**Tenant outcomes:** empirical data will show improved quality of life, social inclusion, increased independence, decreased reliance on paid supports and reduced life time care costs

**Replication:** through the transfer of knowledge, others in the sector across Australia will replicate this model for both young people in nursing homes and other people with disability

**Social finance:** we will demonstrate a successful model of social investment for housing for people with disability that is replicable and scalable.

Our long-term vision is that this model of integrated housing for people with disability, which is accessible and well located, is routinely included in all new medium and high-density residential developments throughout Australia.

## RESOURCES AND KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION

The Summer Foundation has released three reports documenting the knowledge generated by our housing demonstration projects:

**Learnings from the Abbotsford Housing Demonstration Project report** ~ offers reflections and learnings about the origins and set up phase for this project

**New Housing Options for People with Significant Disability: Design Insights report** ~ outlines the principles for the design and technology incorporated into the Hunter Housing Demonstration Project

**Social Finance Think Tank report** ~ explores a model of social finance to replicate and scale this model of housing

Copies of the reports are available as a complimentary download from our website:

<http://www.summerfoundation.org.au/documents-category/publications/>

## TOURS AND WORKSHOPS OF HUNTER HOUSING DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

The design and technology incorporated into the inner-Melbourne Housing Demonstration Project generated an enormous amount of interest. In the Hunter Housing Demonstration Project two apartments will be fully fitted out to showcase the design and smart home and communications technology. Tours and workshops will be conducted in Newcastle NSW for a six-month period upon completion for builders, designers, community housing providers, disability service providers, funders and government interested in viewing the design and technology incorporated into these apartments.

To register your interest in a tour in of the Hunter Housing Demonstration Project showcase apartments and/or workshop in early-mid 2016 please email [housinginfo@summerfoundation.org.au](mailto:housinginfo@summerfoundation.org.au).



## ABOUT THE SUMMER FOUNDATION

The Summer Foundation was established in 2006 with its key aim to change human service policy and practice related to young people in nursing homes. We want to create, lead and demonstrate long-term sustainable changes that stop young people from being forced to live in nursing homes because there is nowhere else for them to go.

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