# Home in Place

SPECIALIST DISABILTY ACCOMMODATION NEWSLETTER

### Vince is cooking up a storm

Vince lives in a unit at one of our properties at Charmhaven on the Central Coast.

With a passion for cooking, he now grows his own veggies and herbs in his garden. His home originally only had a cooktop, so we installed an oven for him.

Vince now whips up feasts for his family when they come for dinner and cooks for his neighbours. He's in charge of the food when the boys from his and the adjoining property gather to watch the footy. When the house had a 'Do something nice' day, Vince cooked a cake for the neighbours in the street.

Very house proud, Vince showed his competitive side when he meticulously putup Christmas lights around his unit to try and outdo his neighbour.



When he is not in the kitchen or garden, Vince likes to fish at the nearby lake. The Disability Trust provides him with supported independent living.

# SDA Housing for people trapped in hospital and aged care

We welcome the agreement between the new NDIS Minister, Bill Shorten, and state and territory governments to get the more than 1,000 patients with disabilities stuck in hospital discharged faster.

There have been reports of people waiting months in hospital for "appropriate accommodation" when SDA providers such as Home in Place have property vacancies. <u>READ MORE >></u>

# More SDA properties coming online

We've recently taken delivery of several exciting new properties including in **Sydney**, with more in **Aberglasslyn** and **Cessnock** in the NSW Hunter region in coming weeks.

The new properties cap off a successful six months for the SDA team which now manages 1500 SDA placements.

Since January we have achieved:

- Assisted 77 SDA participants to transition into their new forever homes
- 73 more residents will soon transition to their new SDA forever home - awaiting property or medical equipment delivery
- 37 new developments delivered from development partners across NSW, QLD and VIC
- 67 person-centred modifications to assist participant's individual needs
- 308 new SDA enquiries from participants, support people and SILs.



#### Your new home? Spring Farm vacancy



We have a few places remaining in this stunning designer SDA home nestled within a new estate near the Nepean River at Spring Farm in NSW.

The Improved Liveability SDA category property is made up of a 3 resident home and a 1 resident villa with an on-site overnight assistant house (OOA) house. There's even a sensory garden in the sunny yard.

It is ideal for participants looking for a relaxing lifestyle and the opportunity to make friends with easy access to support needs. The purpose-built modern home is in a quiet area but close to facilities, transport, shopping and a beautiful lake foreshore.

Beyond Care provides support to residents.

Click here for more information on this home.

We offer a range of SDA properties in different SDA categories - from 5-bedroom group homes to custom-built individual homes. We have vacancies in SDA properties in NSW and Queensland. View our walkthrough videos for some properties on our <u>YouTube channel</u>.

View all our vacancies here.

## SILs needed in Queensland

Home in Place is on the hunt for SIL partners for some of our wonderful properties in southern Brisbane, including the areas of Brassall, Deebing Heights, Collingwood Park, Marsden, Logan Reserve and Pimpana. If you think your organisation would be the right fit, please reach out to us at sda@homeinplace.org.



#### Welcome to new SIL provider – Beyond Care



<u>Beyond Care</u> has joined the team of Supported Independent Living providers that Home in Place works with to ensure residents have a safe, secure home.

The experienced team at Beyond Care are working at our new Spring Farm property as well as another of our properties in Granville.

We're excited to be working with an experienced NDIS provider who have been supporting clients to achieve their goals since 2016. The Beyond Care team is big on listening, respecting client dignity and honest communication – and has just opened a community hub for their participants.

As well as Supported Independent Living, Beyond Care's services include short and medium term, specialist disability accommodation, individual living options (ILO), in home support, social and community participation, capacity building, support coordination, recovery coaching and day programs.

#### See us at the Sydney Disability Expo



Our team has been meeting prospective clients, their families, Supported Independent Living providers and other disability support organisations at recent disability expos – Brisbane, Cairns, Gold Coast and the Hunter (Newcastle).

We'll be at the Sydney Disability Expo on August 5 and 6. Please come and say hello!

#### Meet the team – Natasha Hill

Natasha is one our newest Tenancy Relations Officers - who don't stop until they match SDA participants to great properties that help them achieve their independence goals.

Natasha focusses on the leasing of properties, particularly working with support co-ordinators and SILs.

She is looking to work with more SILs or support co-ordinators who have a participant needing an SDA forever home.

She has several years' experience in property management with a real estate agent but is enjoying the change to helping people for whom housing can make such a difference.

"My role has raised my awareness of the issues and needs of people with a disability. I love meeting and talking to people and their support providers about how we can get them their forever home."



Studying for a business degree means life is busy for Natasha but she likes to stay fit by heading to the gym.