

Media Release

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MODULAR HOMES HOUSING PEOPLE ACROSS VICTORIA

The Andrews Labor Government is supporting people in need to have a place to call home with more than 100 modular homes being built and dispatched across Victoria.

The modular homes are built in a factory and shipped to mostly regional areas, where construction shortages and supply issues can often impact the timing of building new houses.

Funding of \$30.38 million is being invested to build 114 modular homes, which are either in construction, being assembled on site, ready to move in or already tenanted across Victoria.

The new homes have created more than 200 jobs and will house people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

The modular homes can be constructed quickly, are easily transported and can be permanently placed on vacant and underutilised land, which immediately addresses housing availability and reduces reliance on emergency accommodation and transient housing.

The homes are being built for many areas across the state, including Warrnambool, Horsham, Glenelg, East Gippsland, Swan Hill, Mildura and the Colac Otways.

Building modular homes in a factory ensures supply and demand are met – and local businesses are still offered employment to assemble, install and connect services.

All properties include energy efficient appliances, solar panels, heat pump hot water services and good site orientation to capture north and south light, which means more comfortable and cost-effective homes.

The modular homes are being delivered under the Labor Government's Building New Homes to Fight Homelessness program, which is providing 1000 new public housing properties across the State.

This is in addition to the \$5.3 billion Big Housing Build, which is set to deliver more than 12,000 new social and affordable homes and is creating 10,000 jobs a year. This investment includes \$1.25 billion in regional areas, ensuring the economic and social benefits are felt in communities across the state.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Housing Richard Wynne

"Modular homes are addressing a need to provide housing for those who need it across Victoria, while also employing both local and non-local businesses."

"We are not only building new homes, we are building communities. These homes will provide hope, dignity and stability for people living here so they feel part of a community and get ahead and thrive."

Quote attributable to Member for Western Victoria Gayle Tierney

"It can be hard to provide services to regional areas sometimes and these modular homes are a great compromise of local and non-local businesses to work together to create housing where it is needed."

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