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13 new homes for low-income renters in Wangaratta

Wangaratta will soon receive 13 new homes, to support low-income renters and people experiencing homelessness. Located in Sadler Street, the community housing project is due to commence in the next two weeks.

The one- and two-bedroom homes are being built by not-for-profit community housing provider BeyondHousing, in partnership the philanthropic trust, the Peter & Lyndy White Foundation.

“Currently in Wangaratta, there are 180 people experiencing homelessness or are in an unstable living situation,” BeyondHousing Acting CEO, Andrew Chittenden said.

“These include both families and individuals waiting for appropriate, safe, and secure housing that is actually affordable to rent.”

BeyondHousing project manager Lisa Georgeson adds “People who are in housing crisis are everyday people who need help and support, as this is something that can happen to anyone.”

“We are offering long-term housing that renters on low to moderate incomes can live in for as long as they need.”

The energy efficient, architecturally designed homes will be built using local builders, the Joss Group.

“They have experience building in this region, and this construction project will support local jobs and suppliers,” Ms Georgeson said.

Increasing the supply of affordable housing for the those on low to moderate incomes, supports people to achieve better social and economic outcomes, and is key to building a strong community.

BeyondHousing are including a space to recognise Max Parkinson’s service to the senior citizens of Wangaratta, and the contribution of the land from the Rural City of Wangaratta.

Project plans are available in the reception area of the BeyondHousing Wangaratta Office - 40-42 Rowan Street Wangaratta.

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About: BeyondHousing is the largest community housing organisation within the Goulburn and Ovens Murray regions of Victoria. BeyondHousing is the main entry point for the homelessness system and provides a range of supports for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. If you or anyone you know is experiencing or at risk of homelessness, call 1800 825 955.

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