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GETTING A JOB, GETTING A HOME

Getting a job is one of the key ways to break the cycle of homelessness. Anglicare NT's housing programs support clients to address issues linked to homelessness such as health concerns, domestic violence and gaining employment. After being assisted by one of Anglicare NT's housing programs, Alice Springs man Stephen Booth has succeeded in getting a job with a local plumbing business and consequently secured his own accommodation.

"To assist Stephen, Anglicare NT's OutCare and Transitional Housing programs collaborated to provide support and assistance," said Leigh Woolcock, Senior Program Manager, Housing Support Services.

"Anglicare NT's OutCare is a prison release program that works with offenders to support their reintegration into the community. The service provides short term accommodation and case management to support people to transition to a successful and sustainable return to independent living in the community."

"OutCare, in collaboration with the Transitional Housing Program, connect with employers and job networks to explore employment opportunities for clients. When a client obtains work, the case support worker continues to liaise between the client and employer to address any emerging concerns that could impact the new employee keeping the job."

"Employers have provided positive feedback about the process and welcome the ongoing support," said Ms Woolcock

"Stephen is thrilled to now have both a home and a job. He is employed by QP Plumbing and has obtained his own accommodation through Central Australia Affordable Housing Company."

For more information regarding Anglicare NT's OutCare and Transitional Housing programs please visit our website www.anglicare-nt.org.au

NOTES TO EDITOR

Photo caption:

From left to right: Carey Joy from QP Plumbing, John McBryde from Central Australian Affordable Housing, Stephen Booth (with keys to his new home) and Kevin Skinner, Anglicare NT Case Support Worker.

FOR COMMENT

To arrange interviews regarding Anglicare NT's OutCare and Transitional Housing programs please contact Anglicare NT Media and Communications

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