# What is Reconnect?

Reconnect helps young people who are homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless to stabilise their living situation, develop more positive relationships with their family and support connections with education, work, training and the community.

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**Opportunities, choices** and **support** for young people and their families



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#### Who is Reconnect for?

Reconnect helps young people between the ages of 12 and 18 years (or 12 and 21 years if they are newly arrived in Australia), who are homeless, or are at risk of becoming homeless, and their families.

#### What is Reconnect?

#### Breaking the cycle of homelessness

Reconnect helps young people who are homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless to stabilise their living situation, develop more positive relationships with their family and support connections with education, work, training and the community.

#### Reconnect can provide:

- counselling
- mediation
- group activities
- practical support for the whole family.

Reconnect is a free and completely confidential service providing services that seek a tailored solution to each unique and individual family circumstances. The aim is to give young people the tools to settle their living arrangements, stay connected and build supportive relationships.

Reconnect is not a crisis youth homelessness service. Reconnect does not replace child protection agencies or provide temporary housing.

## Reconnect for young people

If you, or one of your friends, are having problems at home or school, and are worried about getting kicked out of home, Reconnect can help.

#### Reconnect can help young people in a variety of ways:

- work out stable living arrangements
- work things out with family or any other relationship concerns
- stay in school even when it gets tough
- check out training options
- get income support if eligible.

#### **Reconnect for families**

Family members can be anyone who is providing emotional and physical support to the young person

#### Reconnect helps parents, guardians and families to:

- work things out with the young person
- find out the best way to talk things through
- learn to live together when things are hard and / or
- learn to live apart but stay connected.

## How to connect with Reconnect

### Reconnect accepts referrals from anyone including:

- young people themselves
- family, carers or guardians
- friends
- service providers, school teachers or workers from other agencies.

### Where is Reconnect?

- Reconnect is all across the northwest of Tasmania
- Reconnect is flexible and can meet at school, home, our office or any other safe place.

## Reconnect respects your privacy and is confidential

Information shared by family members with workers will not be passed on to other family members / services without your permission unless it is legally required.

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