



## Can't stay where you are and need a place to go?

This guide will help you find a short-term place to stay while you look for housing.

There are many community organisations that can help – you are not alone.

### About us

The Nelson Tasman Vulnerable Housing Network is a community-led initiative. We are a network of members from more than 60 organisations that collaborate on ways to help.

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## Who do you know?

Have a think about someone you have a good relationship with, who might be able to help:

- Family / whānau members
- Friends
- Neighbours
- Co-workers
- Teachers at schools and early childhood centres
- People at churches and faith-based groups you attend
- Whānau Ora Navigators
- People at your local marae
- People you exercise with, or play sport or do other activities with
- People at support groups you attend



## Where could you stay for a few days?



There are places you could stay for a few days to give you time to look for housing:

- Hostels and backpackers
- Camping grounds, cabins and holiday parks
- Emergency housing from **Work and Income**



Scan the QR code to check Nelson Tasman Housing Trust's Accommodation Guide for ideas on where else to look.

In addition to the options above, consider:

### Women's Refuge

If you're a woman who is experiencing family violence (domestic violence), phone the Whakatū Refuge. There are many ways they can help, including providing a safe house if you need accommodation urgently.

### Youth Services

If you are a young person enrolled with Youth Services, call Presbyterian Support (Nelson) or Golden Bay Workcentre Trust (Tākaka and Motueka). Ask your Youth Coach to help you find a place to stay for the next few days.

Contact details are listed in this guide →



## Community organisations that can help you find temporary accommodation

Category	Organisation	Phone	Email
General Housing Advice	<a href="#">Work and Income (Ministry of Social Development)</a>	0800 559 009	Work and Income can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• talk with you about emergency housing</li><li>• refer you to housing navigators or brokers</li><li>• check your eligibility for financial support</li></ul>
	<a href="#">The Salvation Army</a>	03 548 4807	nelsontasmanbay.corps @salvationarmy.org.nz
	<a href="#">Citizens Advice Bureau Nelson Tasman</a>	03 548 2117	coordinator.nelsontasman @cab.org.nz
	<a href="#">Nelson Tasman Housing Trust</a>	0800 266 325	info@nths.org.nz
Women and Children	<a href="#">Nelson Women's Centre</a>	03 546 7986	counselling@nelsonwc.org.nz
	<a href="#">Whakatū Refuge</a>	0800 16 3344	admin@whakaturefuge.org.nz
	<a href="#">Hapai Taumaha Hapūtanga – Pregnancy Support</a>	0800 004 277	info@crisispregnancysupport.org.nz
Men	<a href="#">The Male Room</a>	03 548 0403	info@maleroom.co.nz
Māori	<a href="#">Te Korowai Trust</a>	03 547 5958	admin@tekorowaitrust.co.nz
	<a href="#">Te Kotahī o Te Taihū Charitable Trust</a>	0800 514 358	admin@kotahitehoe.org.nz
	<a href="#">Te Piki Oranga</a>	0800 672 642	admin@tpo.org.nz
	<a href="#">Whakatū Marae</a>	03 546 9097	admin@whakatumarae.co.nz
Former refugees & migrants	<a href="#">Victory Community Centre</a>	03 546 8389	norma@victorycommunity.org.nz
Youth	<a href="#">Presbyterian Support</a>	0800 477 874 (Nelson)	nelson@psusi.org.nz
	<a href="#">Golden Bay Housing Trust</a>	03 525 8099 (Tākaka) or 03 528 0288 (Motueka)	officeadmin@gbwct.org.nz

## What information should I bring when meeting with a community organisation?

Please try to bring as many of the following things:

### Friend or support person

If you need one

### Identification (ID)

Passport, driver licence, or other document that has your name and photo

### Recent payslips

If you have a job, bring the last few payslips

### Community Services Card

If you have one

### Bank statements

From the last 1–2 months

### Emergency contact

The name and contact details for someone we can call if we need to

### RealMe login

If you have an account

### IRD number

For Work and Income or other financial help

### MSD client number

If you have one

## Where can you look for housing?

### Consider support from a community group

There are many local community organisations that can help you with your housing search. These are listed in this guide.

### Are you eligible for Rapid Rehousing?

Rapid Rehousing is a service that helps people who have recently become homeless, or are at risk of becoming homeless, into permanent housing.

Contact the Salvation Army to find out more (see contact details in this guide).

### Consider applying for lower-cost, long-term housing

Contact a provider to see if you are a good fit and get on their waitlist.

- [Abbeyfield NZ \(for people aged 65+\)](#)
- [Franklyn Village](#)
- [Golden Bay Housing Trust](#)
- [Golden Bay Mōhua Affordable Housing Project](#)
- [Habitat for Humanity Nelson](#)
- [Nelson Tasman Housing Trust](#)
- [Tasman District Council \(for people aged 65+\)](#)

### Consider alternative housing options

Different options for finding housing include:

- [Home Share for Her \(shared housing for women\): \[www.homeshareforher.nz\]\(http://www.homeshareforher.nz\)](#)
- [House sitting, through services such as Kiwi House Sitters: \[www.kiwihousesitters.co.nz\]\(http://www.kiwihousesitters.co.nz\)](#)
- ['Work for your accommodation' schemes such as WWOOFing: \[www.woof.nz\]\(http://www.woof.nz\)](#)