

Colony47

people working together

Colony 47 is one of Tasmania's leading independent, non-denominational, not-for-profit community service organisations. We deliver over 20 programs statewide to Tasmanians who are experiencing barriers to participation in society, in particular because of issues relating to housing, lack of social and family networks, mental health and employment and training.

We are dedicated to creating a fairer community and eliminating disadvantage. Our mission is to make a difference to the lives of people in our community. We work with individuals, families, local, federal and state government, business and industry to create opportunities that link people and build the connections that are the foundation of a strong community. We have been doing this as an organisation for a long time. Alone we make a difference but by collaborating with others we make a lasting impact

Colony 47 has been operating in the sector for almost 40 years and has well established service networks that are invaluable for effective day to day service delivery. We have an exemplary track record of working cooperatively to ensure effective and positive program linkages both internally and with other agencies and stakeholders. This commitment to collaboration allows us to respond to local priorities and service needs in an economic climate that demands efficiencies.

Colony 47 currently delivers specialised services in the following areas:

- Specialist Homelessness Services;
- Housing;
- Strengthening community networks;
- Education and employment;
- Youth and family; and
- Mental health.

The range of services offered includes:

- Crisis support for homeless Tasmanians;
- Case-management, financial assistance, information and referral;
- Provision of emergency, transitional and long term housing;
- Employment and training services;
- Early intervention and education services;
- Recreational, life skills and drop-in services; and
- Advocacy, negotiation and lobbying.

All services are aimed at reducing homelessness, increasing access to housing support, assisting individuals in employment, training, career advice and education, supporting people with mental health issues and strengthening and increasing support for families and communities. This experience has afforded Colony 47 with an extensive knowledge and awareness of the economic and environmental factors that impact upon local communities, the social and cultural barriers faced by them and the personal and social impact that this can have.

Colony 47 is committed to upholding our vision of fairness, passion, opportunity and community and to delivering positive outcomes for families and individuals in our community and creating a community where everyone has access to housing, employment, training and family support.

For more information about Colony 47 see our annual report at http://www.colony47.com.au/docs/annual-reports/C47_Annual-Report_2010-11.pdf