

RentConnect

What is RentConnect?

RentConnect helps Queenslanders to find, secure and sustain a home to rent in the private market.

RentConnect helps people who are able to manage a tenancy but who are struggling to access the private rental market due to non-financial barriers, such as:

- limited rental history
- a lack of skills, knowledge or understanding of how the private rental market works
- a lack of documents required for private rental applications.

Specialist RentConnect officers work together with clients to identify what type of assistance they may need. RentConnect officers can:

- advise on how to find a suitable rental home
- · show how the rental application process works
- help prepare a rental application and organise paperwork
- provide advice on how to make a good impression when submitting applications
- help access financial assistance offered by the Department of Housing and Public Works, such as a bond loan or rental grant
- · link clients to community services and real estate agents
- assist capable tenants to overcome short-term tenancy problems and strengthen their skills to maintain their private rental home.

RentConnect eligibility requirements

To receive one-on-one assistance from a RentConnect officer, a client needs to:

- meet income requirements for social housing eligibility or be leaving social housing
- be facing non-financial barriers to renting in the private market and be able to successfully manage a private rental tenancy.



RentConnect locations

RentConnect is available in the following Housing Service Centres across Queensland.

Bundaberg Housing Service Centre

16 Quay Street Bundaberg Phone: 4131 5990 Toll free: 1800 809 835

Buranda Housing Service Centre Level 1, 221 Logan Road Buranda Phone: 3405 5300

Caboolture Housing Service Centre

Level 5, Caboolture Park Shopping Centre 60–78 King Street Caboolture Phone: 5431 2501

Capalaba Housing Service Centre

Capalaba Tower Court Building 36 Old Cleveland Road Capalaba Qld 4157 Phone: 3362 9100

Cairns Housing Service Centre

5B Sheridan Street, William McCormack Place Cairns Phone: 4036 5460 Toll free: 1800 623 208

Chermside Housing Service Centre

3rd Floor, 18 Banfield Street Chermside Phone: 3896 9900

Fortitude Valley Housing Service Centre

505 St Pauls Terrace Fortitude Valley Phone: 3872 0320

Ipswich Housing Service Centre 5-7 Wharf Street

Ipswich Qld 4305 General enquiries: 3280 1420 Toll free: 1800 636 390

Mackay Housing Service Centre

22–30 Wood Street Mackay Phone: 4967 0888 Toll free: 1800 069 237

Maroochydore Housing Service Centre 12 First Avenue Maroochydore Phone: 5352 7333

Robina Housing Service Centre Level 2, 80 Bazaar Street

Robina Town Centre Robina Phone: 5583 2200

Rockhampton Housing Service Centre

State Government Building Level 3, 209 Bolsover Street Rockhampton Qld 4700 General enquiries: 4938 4089 Toll free: 1800 801 176

Toowoomba Housing Service Centre

Level 2, 10 Russell Street Toowoomba Phone: 4615 3560 Toll free: 1800 623 435

Townsville Housing Service Centre

Level 2, 143 Walker Street Townsville Phone: 4760 7378 Toll free: 1800 806 197

Woodridge Housing Service Centre 11 Station Road

Woodridge Phone: 3884 9800

Need more information?

A range of fact sheets about renting in the private market is available online or from your local Housing Service Centre.

Visit www.qld.gov.au/housing or call 13 QGOV (13 7468).