



# St Joseph Affordable Homes

building homes for today,  
foundations for the future



## Launch

In July 2020, The Archdiocese of Hobart will launch St Joseph Affordable Homes, a building and construction social enterprise to deliver social and affordable homes and provide substantial employment opportunities and wellbeing supports for young Tasmanians.

St Joseph Affordable Homes will provide training and employment opportunities, specifically much needed trade apprenticeships in a range of construction areas, gained through an in-house apprenticeship scheme. The initiative will also give participants and their family's direct access to CatholicCare's broad suite of wrap-around services and programs to improve individual, family and community wellbeing.

# St Joseph Affordable Homes will...



## address social and affordable housing needs

St Joseph Affordable Homes will assist the new social and affordable building programs undertaken by CatholicCare and Centacare Evolve Housing and the broader sector. Through this work it will be a key driver in addressing the housing and homelessness crisis currently felt by many Tasmanian's and will be responsible for ensuring that they have a safe and secure place to call home.



## improve workforce shortage issues

The building and construction industry has a 20% annual employee turnover level and is in critical need of a skilled workforce. To help alleviate this problem, training for young people in a range of building and construction jobs as well as apprenticeships is required. St Joseph Affordable Homes will create a sustainable pipeline of skilled workers and apprentices.



## strengthen the economy

Local business and industry links will be strengthened through prioritising local Tasmanian suppliers and contractors, thereby supporting the communities we work with and enabling local and state-wide economic growth.



*'St Joseph Affordable Homes is the first building and construction-based social enterprise in Tasmania, using the power of the building and construction industry to solve critical issues of youth unemployment.'*

Ben Wilson  
(CEO, St Joseph Affordable Homes)