

YOUNG PEOPLE IN CRISIS

Right now, we have 20 young people on our waitlist for a studio. That's 20 young people at risk of becoming homeless. **Please help us meet the needs of at least one of those young people sooner.**



Building foundations
to prevent youth
homelessness



Your support in the past has made a real difference. You can make an even greater difference by helping us reduce our waitlist.

Young people don't choose to become homeless. Many just reach breaking point, the stress and feelings of despair become too much, and eventually they decide to leave – with nowhere to go.

We meet parents just like Helen* all the time. They are desperate to keep their families together. Desperate to break the cycle of poverty and disadvantage.

Sadly, the demand on our support is not decreasing. We must be able to do more. And that starts with taking one young person off the waitlist.

A young person just like Juliette*.

A WELCOME CHANGE FOR JULIETTE



“ Me and Mum have been through a lot together. I know all she wanted for me and the little kids was to keep us safe. Mum is strong but sometimes I would see her cry. Not because of what we had been through but because she just wanted us kids to have what other kids have.

She told me I could have her room, she had to do something to get Jack* out of the girl's room. He was getting too old to share with them, they are babies, compared to him.

The studio changed everything. When I moved into the studio Jack took my room, so mum didn't have to worry about moving into the lounge room. I now have a quiet place to study and I've had some friends over to visit which I haven't had before. Sometimes to help mum out a bit and give her a break from the craziness I have one of my sisters come for a sleepover in the studio.



Please help us take a young person off our waitlist. Call us on 1800 801 633 or visit kuc.org.au

A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR ALL OF US



Mum says the best thing about the studio is seeing me not so stressed. I think it's seeing her not so stressed. She would worry every day about how she could make things better.

We are all heaps happier 'cause Jack and the younger ones hardly fight anymore. But the best thing, besides having another bathroom, is we don't have to worry about moving again.

Now that we have the studio I can get a scholarship to help pay for things. Last year I had to get a special calculator for school, it was a couple of hundred dollars. Mum said it was ok, but I could tell she was worried about how she was going to pay for it.

Hopefully, if I get a scholarship for next year she won't have to worry so much about what the school books cost and how we are going to pay for things.

I couldn't believe it when they told me the studio was for me. It was like a dream come true, finally something just for me. I'm going to make the most of this, I want to go to university, I think I want to be a lawyer, or a journalist, or maybe even get into politics. Whatever I do I want to help people.



Without the right support and intervention at the right time, many young people will struggle with homelessness their entire lives.

Please help us break the cycle of homelessness by making a tax-deductible donation to our end of year appeal.

Please send your tax-deductible gift to help us reach our \$55,000 target to provide a studio for a young person and family in crisis.



*Names have been changed and thanks to the models who appear in the imagery to protect the identity of this family.