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Smaller may be better

The demand for public housing in Canberra is very strong.

Many disadvantaged families remain on the waiting list because of the unavailability of larger properties.

As an existing tenant, you may be in a position to help these families. Do you now find yourself with more bedrooms than you require?

If so, would you consider moving to an attractive smaller home?



We estimate that some 1200 tenants have two or more unoccupied bedrooms.

Tenants can find themselves in this situation when, for example, their children have grown up and left home, or following a relationship change and their former partner and children are living in another home.

By moving to an agreeable property with fewer bedrooms, you would be greatly assisting families urgently requiring a home.

Housing ACT would of course cover your reasonable re-location costs to another public housing property.

This is a sensible way we can free up larger properties and house more families more quickly.

If your circumstances have changed—and you would like to consider the option of a property swap—we would love to hear from you.

Please ring our Housing Information Officer via T: 13 DHCS (13 34 27).

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ACT Minister for Housing
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