

Eligibility

To be referred to the ACHA service people must meet the following criteria:

- Reside in or want to live in the City of Knox, City of Maroondah or the Shire of Yarra Ranges
- Be aged over 50 years
- Receive a low income and not own a house
- Live in rented and/or insecure housing
- Be at risk of homelessness

Cost

There is no cost associated with this program. ACHA is fully funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing and backed by Villa Maria.

About Villa Maria

Villa Maria is a values-based organisation providing quality services and life enhancing opportunities for older people and people with a disability.

From humble beginnings as the Catholic Braille Writers Association in 1907, Villa Maria has grown to become one of Victoria's largest providers of disability, education and senior services, with more than 60 programs supporting 5,000 people across the state.

Further information

To find out how Villa Maria's Assistance with Care and Housing for the Aged service can assist you, simply call:

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Villa Maria Community Services offers assistance to frail, disadvantaged older people who are renting or who are at risk of homelessness in order to meet their accommodation and support needs.

Villa Maria's Assistance with Care and Housing for the Aged (ACHA) service is available to

people who are living in, or wish to live in, the City of Knox, City of Maroondah or the Shire of Yarra Ranges.

Eligible clients are allocated a Case Manager who will work closely with the person to identify suitable accommodation and care options to best meet their individual needs.

How your case manager can assist you

Your case manager will work closely with you to:

- Discuss and identify your accommodation and housing options
- Refer you to the Aged Care Assessment Service if required
- Link you into other community or health services as appropriate
- Provide information and assistance to access services
- Negotiate services on your behalf where needed
- Assist you to find suitable accommodation
- Provide information about financial and legal services
- Assist you to re-establish community networks
- Advocate on your behalf with other service providers and government departments to access appropriate support
- Provide assistance to access housing services such as public housing, transitional housing, independent living unit or other housing options
- Provide information about respite and residential care
- Provide crisis intervention

Complete privacy and confidentiality is assured.