

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Residential Care "A"/Fortitude Valley

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DATE ATTACHED	BY

Subject:

Staff Shortages at Alkira and Enoggera Boys Home. Influence on Placements Available.

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MEMORANDUM TO: THE DIRECTOR.

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95I/1/0 Alkira  
95I/1/0 Enoggera

ALKIRA:

Alkira Boys Home has lost one set of Houseparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Jelaco, who have now set up a half-way house at: 33 Gower Street, Taringa. There is also a strong indication that there will be a change of Houseparents in another cottage.

Present Situation:

Alkira's Superintendent, Major Cecil Hall, has indicated that Alkira will not be accepting any new admissions till approximately the beginning of April. The children presently at Alkira have had to be redistributed between the two remaining cottages and Major Hall considers this will cause some difficulties to current Houseparents.

Major Hall will be looking at re-opening the third unit when the situation at Alkira is more settled.

ENOGGERA:

Enoggera Boys Home has continuing problems attracting and keeping Houseparents. At present, Mr. and Mrs. L. Shenfield and Mr. and Mrs. R. Simons are the only Houseparents at Enoggera. Another Houseparent couple had been appointed; however, this couple never arrived to take up their duties at Enoggera.

At present, Enoggera has 19 boys in one cottage and 5 older boys with Mr. Shenfield.

Present Situation:

On 24th January, 1978, I spoke with Mr. Shenfield regarding Enoggera's current situation. Mr. Shenfield advised Enoggera would not be accepting any more boys for placement till new Houseparents were employed. He is re-advertising on 25th January, 1978.

CURRENT PLACEMENT VACANCIES:

Marsden Boys Home have no vacancies.

Alkira Boys Home will not be taking any children till April, 1978.

Enoggera Boys Home will not be taking children till new Houseparents employed.

B/c ..  
Senior Child Care Officer,  
RESIDENTIAL CARE.

For your information.

*M. A. Edmond*

M. A. Edmond  
A/Supervisor,  
Residential Care "A"  
25th January, 1978.



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Boys Town currently has 54 children. As  
Boys Town has 12 children per unit in seven units,  
there are vacancies for 30 children at Boys Town.

*M. A. Edmond*

M. A. Edmond,  
A/Supervising Child Care Officer.

24th January, 1978.