



Dear [[first_name]],

Hi everyone and welcome to the October edition...

Thank you for signing up to receive our updates and a big welcome to our new members.

BTH Survey

Better Together Housing Survey

Better Together Housing has partnered with the University of the Sunshine Coast to both evaluate the program in an ongoing way, and also contribute to a broader research agenda in understanding the circumstances of Older women in relation to housing and social connection.

This is a partnership we are very excited about and we want you to be excited about it too!

One of the first ways of contributing is through an anonymous survey.

The data we collect through this survey is completely de-identified (ie. no one can tell that it is your contribution).

Completing this survey will assist Better Together Housing to understand our members and the circumstances that led them to our program. Everyone's life is different, and your unique voice will help us adapt and respond our program to better meet the needs of the women who use it.

There will be other invitations to participate in the research for members, and we will let you know via email and the newsletter. We warmly invite you to complete the survey and contribute part of your story.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding the survey or the data we are collecting, please don't hesitate to contact us via info@bettertogetherhousing.com.au

[You can go directly to the survey here.](#)

We are very grateful for your support and participation. Remember this information is de-identified. You will not be asked to provide your name or contact details. We cannot tell who has filled out the survey and who has not, so you can feel secure that your information is safe.

Thanks for being a part of our community here at Better Together Housing. Together we can help make Queensland a better place for older women.

Latest News and Articles

Better Together Housing has been gathering momentum since 2018 and we'd like to share an article by ABC News with you that highlights the experience of our members, women just like you.

The aim of Better Together Housing is to create a community of likeminded women over 55 seeking housemates, friends and a supportive network. It is an online portal but also offers real-world opportunities to meet, gather and find shared accommodation, or offer it. We are different to regular flat mate finder platforms because we are specifically for older women, and every registered participant has undertaken screening so you can feel secure.

The program is designed by women over 55 and is tailored to bring women together in a safe and secure way to find shared accommodation. Our members may own and rent a room in their home to other women, or may be a woman looking for a new place to live with one (or more) other women.

We also welcome women who are not sure about sharing, but want to connect with other women to consider the options. To enable members to meet, we regularly host Get It Together events and you are welcome to come along to learn more, and to bring other women who may be interested in joining the program. In 2021 our final get-together will be a low-key café meet to celebrate the end of the year and the bright beginning of a new one! You are invited to join us at Harvest Café, ground floor of the Kon-Tiki building, 55 Plaza Parade Maroochydore from 10am to 11.30am on Thursday 2 December. Please feel welcome to bring a friend – the coffee and tea is on us. You can RSVP below xx

You can read more here: <https://bettertogetherhousing.com.au/news/default-general/29/29-Matchmaking-site-finds-housemates-not-soulmates-for-women-over-> or simply click 'Read more' the article below.

Matchmaking site finds housemates, not soulmates, for women over 55



Older women will be able to meet others after background checks.(ABC SC: Kylie Bartholomew)

Have you ever used the internet to find a housemate? Finding the right person and avoiding share-house horrors can be tricky, but it can be even more daunting for women over 55.

[Read More](#)

Upcoming Events

Register for the Housing Journey's For Older Women Workshops

The Lady Musgrave Trust presents a series of face-to-face workshops (including online access) for women over the age of 55 who find themselves at risk of homelessness. Every older woman can take back control of their circumstances and have the opportunity to live a better and fulfilled life.

In these workshops, you will:

- Learn about the range of housing options older women are considering.
- Identify the different types of attitudes to money and financial security.
- Increase your knowledge about specific over 50's housing and the process of application.
- Acknowledge the challenges and opportunities for older women accessing housing.
- Explore decision-making processes and learn and apply planning tools.
- Develop an individual plan for action.

These workshops are delivered by qualified housing solutions experts using teaching techniques and resources found in The Handy Guide for Older Women.

Limited places.

Refreshments will be provided.

Visit ladymusgravetrust.org.au to register now.



THE LADY MUSGRAVE TRUST

Housing Journeys For Older Women:

Workshops for individual older women & their support network

A series of face-to-face workshops (including online access) for women over the age of 55 who find themselves at risk of homelessness.

Housing Journeys for Older Woman

Starts: 13 Nov 2021 at 09:00

Ends: 13 Nov 2021 at 11:00

Kawana Island Meeting Place, 1/5 Grand Parade, Parrearra Qld, Australia

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Upcoming Get it Togethers



A Shared Housing Community

INFORMATION SESSION

FOR WOMEN 55+

Better Together Housing is a peer support model designed by women, for women. It is tailored to bring women over 55 together in a safe and secure way to find shared accommodation.

Monday 8th November

10am - 12pm

The Hub, 32 Sportsground Dr, Beerwah

Morning tea provided. Free event

Supported by:



Caloundra Community Centre Inc.



Hinterland Community Development Program

BTH Information Session with Glasshousing 55

Starts: 8 Nov 2021 at 10:00

Ends: 8 Nov 2021 at 12:00

The Hub, 32 Sportsground Dr, Beerwah

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Get it Together Maroochydore

Starts: 2 Dec 2021 at 10:00

Ends: 2 Dec 2021 at 11:30

Harvest Café, Ground floor of the Kon-Tiki building, 55 Plaza Parade Maroochydore

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