

# do you have a rental property?

## Ask us about Rent Choice Youth

### What is the Rent Choice Youth Program?

Rent Choice Youth is a private rental subsidy program funded by the NSW Government that helps pay part of a tenant's rent for up to three years. It also supports tenants in establishing and managing their tenancy, while linking them to training and job opportunities.

### Who is eligible for Rent Choice Youth?

- A young person up to the age of 24 who is being supported by a Youth and Family Worker at The Family Centre
- They are on a low income or studying
- They are seeking a permanent tenancy and could be at risk of homelessness

### How does it work?

For the first 12 months, the tenant will pay 25% of their weekly income plus 100% of any Commonwealth Rent Assistance. The rest is paid directly to the agent/landlord by the NSW Government.

All Rent Choice Youth applicants are eligible for a further \$1500 on top of the initial bond to be put in trust for any unforeseen damage to the property. Both of these are paid by the NSW Government as a tenancy guarantee.

### How will rent be received?

You will receive rental payments from two sources. These payments will be made in different cycles.

The tenant will pay their rent fortnightly. The tenant is responsible for paying 25% of their weekly income, plus all of their Commonwealth Rent Assistance as their contribution.

The NSW Government will pay the remainder of the monthly rent which will cover the rent for the upcoming month.



## How does The Family Centre Support the program?

The tenant will also be supported during the 3-year period by a Youth and Family Worker from the Family Centre. This support is provided on a regular basis dependent on the needs of the young person. The landlord/agent have direct contact with the Youth and Family worker to discuss any issues or problems with the tenancy.



### Benefits of choosing a Rent Choice Youth Tenant

- Guaranteed rent for 3 years
- Extra \$1500 in trust for any unforeseen damages
- Tenant supported by a Youth & Family Worker during the tenancy



100% of tenants  
Commonwealth Rent  
Assistance

25% of tenants  
weekly income