

# SALLY'S STORY

**As Sally's life evolved, Sally transitioned across multiple My Foundation Youth Housing Ltd (MFYH) housing products in Sydney's western suburbs and is still happily residing within a MFYH Affordable Housing home.**

21-year-old Sally first accessed our accommodation in Sydney in November 2020 following family conflict and overcrowding in the family home.

While working part time, she first moved into our intensively supported Transitional Housing 5 bedroom home supported by Taldumande Youth Services in Pennant Hills. Developing a high level of living skills within a 3 month period, she progressed into a more independent MFYH Transitional Housing product in Ryde (a 12-18 month transitional product in partnership with Taldumande Youth Services).

After another 3 month period, having a need for more affordable and longer term housing, Sally then applied for our Transitional Housing Plus (THP) product and was happily accepted as she demonstrated significant maturity, independence and was focussed on achieving her employment and study goals. Still supported by Taldumande Youth Services, Sally was offered and moved into a two bedroom shared housing unit in West Ryde to reside with another young flat mate.

While living within this property, Sally commenced a new relationship and discussed with MFYH options of sharing a home with her partner. Sally was able to demonstrate a 12 month successful tenancy within THP, so we were again able to accommodate by allowing Sally and her partner to apply for our MFYH Affordable Housing as the criteria for this product did not require Sally and her partner to share with others, did not require continued support from Taldumande Youth Services but did require tenants to be working (on low to moderate incomes). At the time Sally was casually employed and her partner was completing an apprenticeship so this product seemed a great fit for their new situation.

***12 months later, Sally and her partner are still MFYH Affordable Housing tenants. Sally is now working fulltime in a traineeship and studying to become an Early Childhood Educator/Teacher.***

