



# Houses at... Parliament



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# About

HOUSES AT PARLIAMENT  
A VHN CAMPAIGN [WWW.VHN.ORG.AU](http://WWW.VHN.ORG.AU)

## Ending Homelessness

The last Census shows that, on any given night, at least 30,000 Victorians are without a home (including 6,800 children).

They're living in their car, staying somewhere temporary like a friend's couch, in a shelter or refuge, or have nowhere to go at all.

In a country as wealthy as Australia, no-one should be without a home.

The top 3 causes of homelessness are family violence, financial difficulties, and the housing crisis.

We can end homelessness by building more homes. For most people, a home that they can afford would end their homelessness.

## Our campaign

The Victorian Homelessness Network (VHN) is raising awareness about the urgent need for more social and public housing. There are 57,000 households on the social housing waitlist TODAY and the numbers are growing every week. We need at least 6,000 new properties to be built per year.

### Help us fold 6,000 origami houses.

We will display the houses at Parliament House on 2nd August, for Homelessness Week, to highlight the urgent need for Governments to fix the housing crisis and end homelessness.

## Campaign asks

We are asking that State and Federal Governments commit to:

**Building a steady ongoing pipeline of at least 6,000 new social houses in Victoria per year**

**and**

**Creating a National plan to END homelessness.**



## What can you do?

Help us fold origami houses between now and the end of July. The instructions are attached.

Take a photo of you and your house/s to post on social media- #HousesAtParliament; #HW2023; #HousingEndsHomelessness; #ItsTimeToEndHomelessness;

**Have fun folding ...it's a great group activity!**

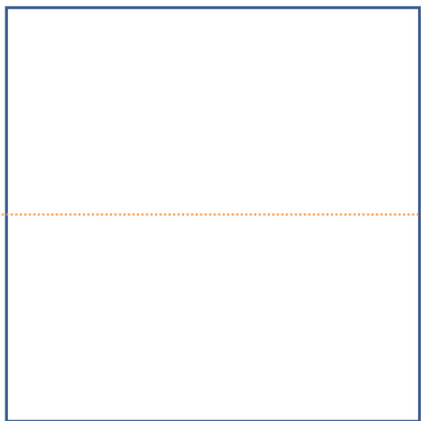
To find out more (and to arrange drop off of your houses) contact:

# How to build an origami house

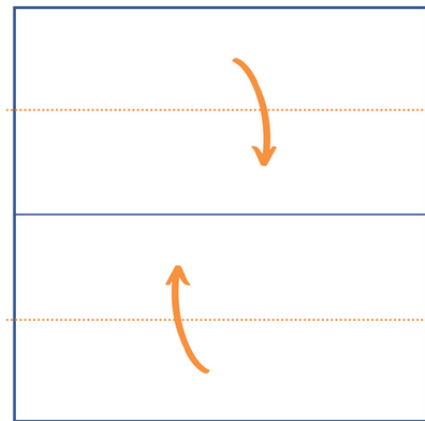
Use the instructions below or watch a video here:

<https://bit.ly/OrigamiHouseVid>

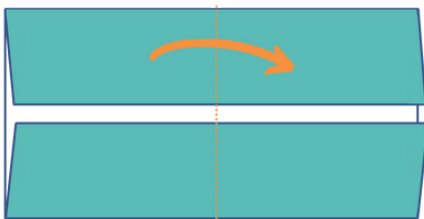
1. Create crease in centre of square paper.



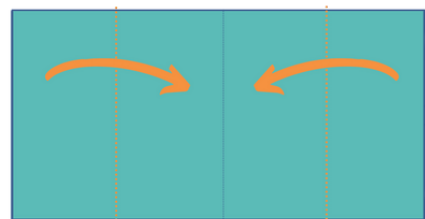
2. Fold edges toward centre crease.



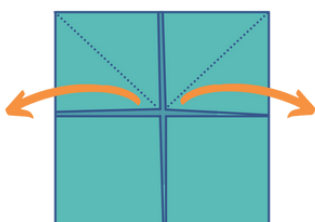
3. Create crease in centre.



4. Turn over. Fold edges toward crease.



5. Open top corners and flatten.



6. Flip over. Decorate & write a message!



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