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## **Three Busselton residents with intellectual disability face homelessness**

### **On behalf of the three young men, Activ is seeking an urgent rental property**

Three young men with intellectual disability who have lived together in Busselton for the past three years are facing the devastating possibility of homelessness if an alternate rental property cannot be found by 28 March 2022.

As the official lessee of the rental home, Activ received notice of the non-renewal of the rental lease in January and has been working tirelessly to source alternate accommodation for these men. However, the shortage of rental homes and the competitive rental market in Busselton has meant that they have been unsuccessful in their attempts.

Adrian, Paul and Stephen are great tenants, active members of the Busselton community, and Adrian works in the local area – an employment goal he has worked hard to achieve.

The men have all achieved their goal to live independently, and access supports through Activ to enable them to do this, as well as to build their skills and achieve other goals in their lives.

The type of accommodation required for the men is a standard four-bedroom, two-bathroom home located in Busselton.

Activ Executive Manager Operations Amanda Lovelock said the situation is now urgent and appeals to private property lessors in Busselton and the Department of Housing to prioritise rental accommodation for the young men.

“Being able to achieve their goal of living independently is such a fantastic outcome for Adrian, Paul and Stephen. The thought of these young men essentially becoming homeless next month is just devastating,” said Ms Lovelock.

“These men are a part of the local community, they live very well together, have proven to take good care of the home they currently live in and rental payment is a guarantee.

“Activ has requested urgent assistance in this matter from Member for Vasse Libby Mettam, and has also been working hard to source an alternate private rental property for these men to live in, however we haven't been successful in these attempts.

“The situation is now urgent, so we are appealing to private property lessors in Busselton and the Department of Housing to prioritise rental accommodation for the young men.

“If you are able to offer assistance, please contact Activ on (08) 9387 055 or email [hello@activ.asn.au](mailto:hello@activ.asn.au).”

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