



ACT Housing Initiative Project

November 2019

In November 2019 Rights & Inclusion Australia secured funding for the *ACT Housing Initiative Project – Choice and Control: Housing options for people with disability in the ACT*.

The project is specifically tasked with identifying the current range of suitable housing options for people with disability in the ACT, ensuring people can readily access information on these options, at the same time as stimulating innovation in housing development to better suit people's needs.

Project Officer David Havercroft has been employed to undertake the project, which is funded until 30 June 2020 with assistance from the ACT Government under the Affordable Housing Innovation Fund.

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Bio

Project Officer David Havercroft relocated to Canberra in August 2019, after 16 years living in Alice Springs (Mparntwe). From 2016 to 2019 he did his third turn with Aboriginal-owned architecture practice Tangentyere Design, working on a range of urban and remote projects including accessible housing.

Along with his work with Rights & Inclusion Australia, he continues to work as the project lead on *Apmere-arenye Interrentye | Accessibility Matters*, a project developed with the support of Tangentyere Council. *Apmere-arenye Interrentye* (roughly pronounced: ap-MER-a-RIN-ya in-TARE-indja), is a multi-disciplinary project being designed to address accessibility issues in and around the home for Aboriginal people with impairments.

From 2009-2016 he was Central Australian Policy Officer with NT Shelter, the peak housing and homelessness organisation in the Northern Territory.

