Easy read Guide to the

Opening the Door Videos

Video 2  
What is Adequate Housing?

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# About this document

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| Opening the Door logo. A person sits on a mobility scooter. A speech bubble with a hand drawn house in it appears above their head. Text. | These videos are about a project called Opening the Door.  You can [find out more](#_1_Introduction_to) about the project in [Video 1](#_1_Introduction_to). |
|  | 3 organisations are working together on the project.  When we say ‘we’ in this document we mean the project team. |
| Screenshot of a video. | We have written this document to help when you watch our videos. |
| Person looking at a folded document saying "easy read". | We have written this document in easy read.  It is easier to understand.  We use pictures to help you read. |
| Text showing a pile of hard words. | Some hard words are in **bold** the first time we use them. They are darker.  We tell you what these words mean.  There is also a Word List at the back of this document. |

# About the videos

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|  | There are 10 short videos. |
| Opening the Door logo. A person sits on a mobility scooter. A speech bubble with a hand drawn house in it appears above their head. Text. | The first video is about the project. |
| Icons of 2 houses | The other 9 videos are about housing in Australia for people with disability. |
|  | We have a **presenter** for each video. A presenter is the person who does most of the talking.  These presenters are: |
| A person in a blue shirt | Adrian Pisarski, National Shelter  Adrian is the Executive Officer of National Shelter. |
| A person wearing blue shirt and glasses | David Havercroft, Rights & Inclusion Australia  David is the Opening the Door Project Director. |
| A person wearing a black shirt and glasses | Karen Hedley, Rights & Inclusion Australia  Karen is the Opening the Door Project Officer. |

## Using times in the videos

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| Digital time. 07:30. | We have included times from the videos in this document. |
|  | You will know where you are up to here and in the video.  The times are numbers that are **bold** and blue. |
| Screenshot of the start of the video. Arrows point to the ribbon at the bottom of the screen. | You can find the times at the bottom when your **cursor** is over the time ribbon at the bottom. |
| Cursor with solid fillPinch Zoom Out with solid fill | Your cursor is what you use on your computer to point and click at things. Most people have a cursor that looks like an arrow or a hand. |
| Screenshot of the bottom of the Vimeo screen. | The white time is where you have watched up to.  In this picture it is 00:11. This is 11 seconds into the video.  The black time tells you where your cursor is pointing.  In this picture it is 00:26.  If you clicked your mouse you would move ahead in the video to 00:26. |

# Video 2 – What is adequate housing?

Click [here to skip reading the Introduction](#_What_is_Adequate).

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|  | Introduction |
| A person wearing glasses and a blue shirt. | 00:00  [Video 2](https://vimeo.com/554219179) is presented by David Havercroft from Rights & Inclusion Australia.  It is 4 minutes and 53 seconds long. |
|  | On the time at the bottom of the video it says 4:53. |
| Opening the Door logo. A person sits on a mobility scooter. A speech bubble with a hand drawn house in it appears above their head. Text. | 00:13  Our **project** is called Opening the Door. |
| A person wearing a yellow vest pointing at the person in the next image. There are large black dots marking a path between them.Person wearing a yellow vest is holding up a hand, palm out flat, to say stop. | A project is something you work on.  It has a start and an end. |
|  | 3 organisations are working on the project.  They are: |
| Rights & Inclusion Logo. 3 circles intertwined - blue, green and grey. R&IA. | * [Rights & Inclusion Australia](https://www.riaustralia.org/) |
| Enliven Community Logo | * [Enliven Community](https://enlivenhousing.com.au/community/) |
| A picture containing text, clipart. National Shelter logo. | * [National Shelter](https://shelter.org.au/) |
|  | 00:20  The project will help people with disability to **identify pathways to better housing**. |
| Young person pointing at 1 of 2 houses. | This means we will help you find housing of your choice.  We will do this by sharing information. We will also help you learn new skills. |
| Person with a thought bubble with a question mark in it. Ribbon underneath says What do YOU want?  A person is pointing at one of 3 pictures of houses in front of them. | 00:26  We will help you find **real housing options** for people with disability.  Options are what you can choose from.  Real options mean options that:   * They are your choice * You have the same options as people without disability * And they meet your disability needs. |
|  | What is Adequate Housing? |
| Screen capture of the title of this video. | 00:32  You have the **right** to **adequate housing**. |
| A group of people with a sign behind them. The sign has the UN logo and says UN Disability Rights. | Everybody has rights. Rights tell us what we need to have a good, safe life.  They include things like:   * adequate housing * living where we choose * choosing who we live with and more. |
| A group of people posing for a photo. | 00:39  Adequate housing means housing that is good enough.  It is more than just a house to live in.  You must have safety, dignity & a decent home. |
| Screen capture from the video. Hands are held out, with different coloured balls in the air between them. | 00:48  [See a bigger slide](#_What_should_adequate) at the end of this document.. |
| A hand holding onto a sliding lock on a door. | 00:56  [**UN Habitat**](https://unhabitat.org/) says adequate housing must:   * Be a safe place to stay  You cannot be **evicted** without good reason |
| UN Habitat Logo. Includes their name, a globe and text: For a better urban future. | UN Habitat is an organisation that works to improve towns and cities. |
|  | Evicted means you are asked to move out.  Some people called it being kicked out. |
| A glass of fizzy water. | 01:01   * Have the things to keep you safe and healthy including:   + Drinking water   + Toilet and bathroom   + Kitchen |
| A wall radiator. It has wavy red lines in front of it to show heat. | * + Heating   + Lighting   + A place to store food   + A way to get rid of rubbish |
| Piles of Australian $100 notes. | 01:10   * Must be **affordable**   Affordable means it does not cost too much.  Find out more about affordable housing in our other videos. |
| A group of people posing for a photo. They are inside a house shape. It says Our House underneath. | 01:15   * Physically safe, protect from weather & hazards |
| A person posing for a photo. They are inside a house shape. It says My House underneath. | 01:23   * Meet disability needs. This might include:   + Accessibility, like ramps and wide doorways   + Space for support workers   + A bathroom for each person living there. |
| 2 people walking through an open door. | Accessible means that everyone can use it.  There are no **barriers**.  Barriers are things that stop you doing something. |
| A parked yellow and green bus. | 01:29   * With easy access to community and services including:   + Work   + Public transport   + Health services |
| A person in a green traditional dress. | 01:38   * Respect your **culture** and **diversity**   Culture is the way you live.  This can include the language you speak and food you eat. |
| Hands over rainbow flag | Diversity is how we are all different. |
| A judge in a wig and gown. Behind them is a court house. In front is a gavel (hammer) and stand. | 01:45  Your rights are **recognised** through laws and other guidelines.  Recognised means they are agreed to be real.  They shouldn’t be taken away from you. |
| Cover of the National Disability Strategy. | 01:53  In Australia your rights are **protected** through:   * [The National Disability Strategy](https://www.dss.gov.au/our-responsibilities/disability-and-carers/publications-articles/policy-research/national-disability-strategy-2010-2020) * Laws about accessible housing |
|  | Protected means that there are laws and other barriers that stop people taking your rights away. |
| A group of people with a sign behind them. The sign has the UN logo and says UN Disability Rights. | 02:02  The **United Nations** have written **conventions** about your rights. |
| UN Logo. It has the countries of the world in the middle and laurel leaves underneath. | The United Nations is an organisation. It is also called the UN.  They work across the world to protect everyone’s rights. |
|  | A convention is a document that explains your rights. Countries agree by the law to follow each convention. |
| Australian Government logo. | 02:16  When Australia signs a convention we must:   * Protect those rights * Respect the rights * Make sure each right happens |
| A person with their hand on their chin. They are pointing at a thought bubble which has a big green tick and a big red cross in it. | 02:22  We all have the same rights.  This does not mean everyone has their rights:   * Protected * Respected |
| A pink sign with the icon of a person in a wheelchair on it sits in the grass. It also has text and an arrow pointing right. | 02:32  We all have the right to **accessible** housing. |
|  | But not everyone who needs accessible housing will find it. |
| A person in a wheelchair has a speech bubble saying "I need ...". Behind her is a ramp with railings, a countdown clock and a document marked easy read. | An accessible house might have:   * Ramps * A private backyard * A walk-in shower. |
| A map of Australia with each state and territory in a different colour. | 02:44  If Australia signs a convention:   * It must be written in law to be protected * State and Territory governments should follow them |
|  | 03:12  Australia has signed many UN conventions. |
| Diagram, schematic illustrating many of the conventions relevant to housing. | 03:19  [See a bigger slide](#_UN_Conventions_relevant) at the end of this document. |
|  | In our project we mostly look at: |
|  | * The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. This is also called the **CRPD**.   [Easy read CRPD is here](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/345108/easy-read-un-convention.pdf). |
| A group of disabled women posing for a photo | * The Convention on the **Elimination** of all Forms of **Discrimination** against Women. This is also called CEDAW.   [Easy read CEDAW is here](https://www.ihrec.ie/documents/easy-read-guide-cedaw-ihrec-inclusion-ireland/). |
| Red stop sign. It has a white circle with a diagonal line through it. | Elimination means to stop something completely. |
| Woman on a call shockedBusinesswoman arms crossedYoung girl using tablet smilingAthletic woman using tablet | Discrimination is when you are treated differently because of something about you.  CEDAW is about discrimination because of being a woman or girl. |
| Young boy hand on chestYoung girl clappingYoung boy using tablet | * The Convention on the Rights of the Child   This is also called the CRC.  A [child friendly CRC is here](https://www.unicef.org/media/56661/file). |
| First Nations flags flying in front of a blue sky. One has a gold circle in the middle and is black at the top and red at the bottom. The other is blue in the middle with green edges. There is a white icon for the Torres Strait in the middle of the blue. | * The Declaration on the Rights of **Indigenous** Peoples. This is also called the UNDRIP. |
|  | Indigenous means the first people to live somewhere. |
| 2 First Nations people posing for a picture. One wears the Aboriginal flag on his tshirt. | This document tells us about the rights of **First** **Nations** people. |
|  | In Australia, First Nations people are also called Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. |
| Young person pointing at 1 of 2 houses. | 03:50  The CRPD talks about housing. |
|  | **Article** 9 of the CRPD talks about accessibility. |
|  | This includes housing. |
| Person wearing a green tshirt stands next to a list with green ticks down the side.Person wearing a red tshirt stands next to a list with red crosses down the side. | Each subject in a convention is called an Article.  It will explain the rights and rules for that subject. |
| A person in a wheelchair has a speech bubble saying "I need ...". Behind her is a ramp with railings, a countdown clock and a document marked easy read. | You have the right to have a house that is accessible for you. |
|  | 04:10  Article 28 talks about **living standard** and **social protection**. |
| Person wearing a green tshirt stands next to a list with green ticks down the side. | Living standard is how well you live.  The article says you must have an adequate standard of living including housing. |
| Australian Government logo. | The Australian government must help people who can not afford to be safe and well.  This is called social protection. |
| 4 houses on a street. The photo is taken from above, looking down on their rooves. | This includes social housing.  Public housing provided by the government is one type of social housing. |
| A judge in a wig and gown. Behind them is a court house. In front is a gavel (hammer) and stand. | 04:27  Australian laws could make sure people build accessible houses. |

04:36

# References

**References** tell you where we found our information.

[United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)​](https://www.un.org/development/desa/disabilities/convention-on-the-rights-of-persons-with-disabilities.html)

[United Nations Resources and Publications on the Right to Adequate Housing​](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Housing/Pages/ResourcesAndPublications.aspx#health)

[Universal Human Rights Instruments](https://www.ohchr.org/en/professionalinterest/pages/universalhumanrightsinstruments.aspx)

[Universal Declaration of Human Rights](https://www.ohchr.org/en/udhr/Pages/UDHRIndex.aspx)

[Human Rights Explained - Fact sheet 7: Australia and Human Rights Treaties](https://humanrights.gov.au/our-work/education/human-rights-explained-fact-sheet-7australia-and-human-rights-treaties)

# Word List

**Accessible**

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**Adequate housing**

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It is more than just a house to live in.

You must have safety, dignity & a decent home.

**Affordable**

Affordable means it does not cost too much.

**Article**

Each subject in a **convention** is called an Article.

It will explain the **rights** and rules for that subject.

**Barriers**

Barriers are things that stop you doing something

**Bold**

Words that are darker than normal.

**Conventions**

A convention is a document that explains your rights. Countries agree by the law to follow each convention.

**CRPD**

The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities is also called the CRPD.

[Easy read CRPD is here](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/345108/easy-read-un-convention.pdf).

**Culture**

Culture is the way you live.

This can include the language you speak and food you eat.

**Cursor**

Your cursor is what you use on your computer to point and click at things.

Most people have a cursor that looks like an arrow or a hand.

**Discrimination**

Discrimination is when you are treated differently because of something about you.

**Diversity**

Diversity is how we are all different.

**Identify pathways to better housing**

This means we will help you find housing of your choice.

We will do this by sharing information. We will also help you learn new skills.

**Indigenous**

Indigenous means the first people to live somewhere.

**Living standard**

Living standard is how well you live.

Article 28 of the CRPD says you must have an adequate standard of living including housing.

**Presenter**

A presenter is the person who does most of the talking in each video.

**Project**

A project is something you work on.

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**Protected**

Protected means that there are laws and other barriers that stop people taking your rights away.

**Real housing options**

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* They are your choice
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* And they meet your disability needs.

**Recognised**

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They shouldn’t be taken away from you.

**References**

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**Right and Rights**

Everybody has rights. Rights tell us what we need to have a good, safe life.

They include things like:

* adequate housing
* living where we choose
* choosing who we live with and more

**Social Protection**

The Australian government must help people who can not afford to be safe and well.

This is called social protection.

**United Nations or UN**

The United Nations is an organisation. It is also called the UN.

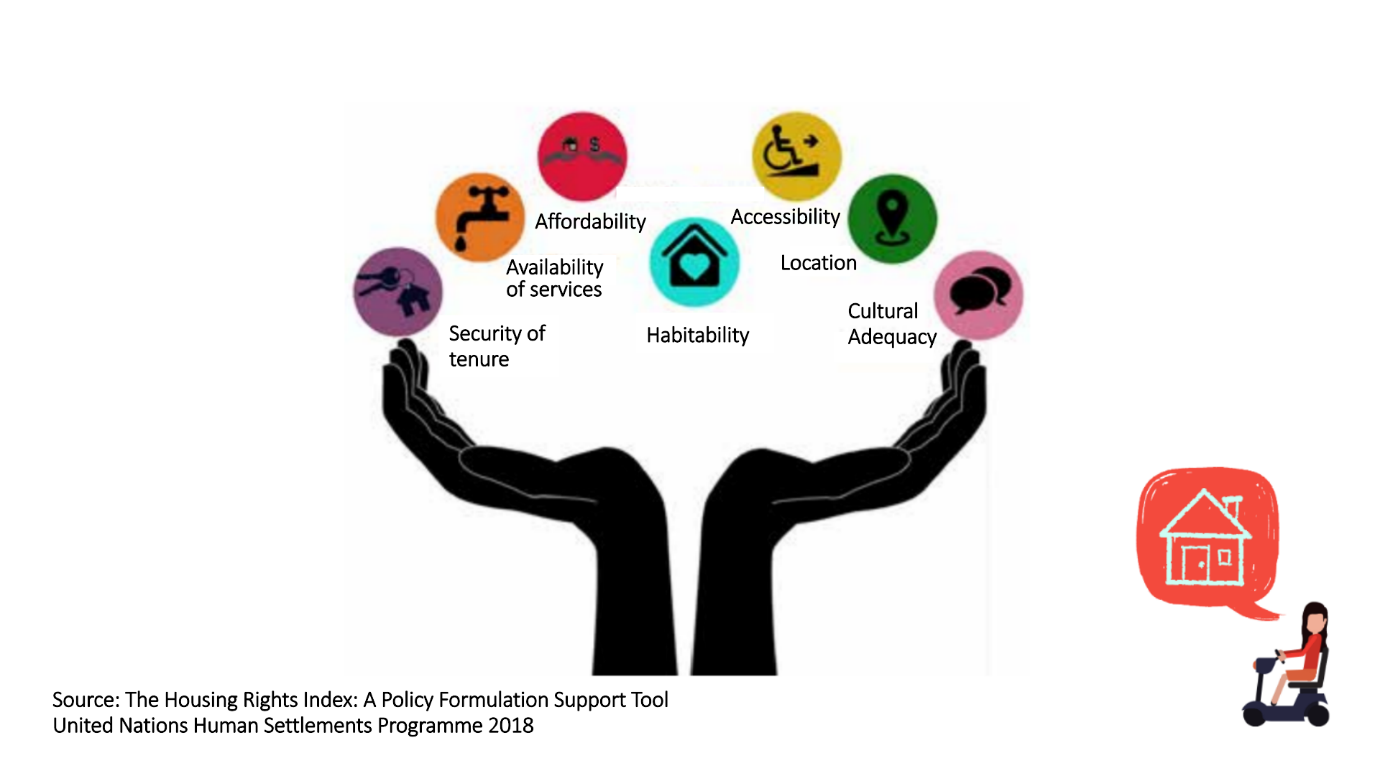
They work across the world to protect everyone’s rights.

**UN Habitat**

UN Habitat is an organisation that works to improve towns and cities.

# Slides from Video

## What should adequate housing include?



Source: [The Housing Rights Index: A Policy Formulation Support Tool, United Nations Human Settlements Programme 2018](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Housing/Pages/ResourcesAndPublications.aspx#Indicators)

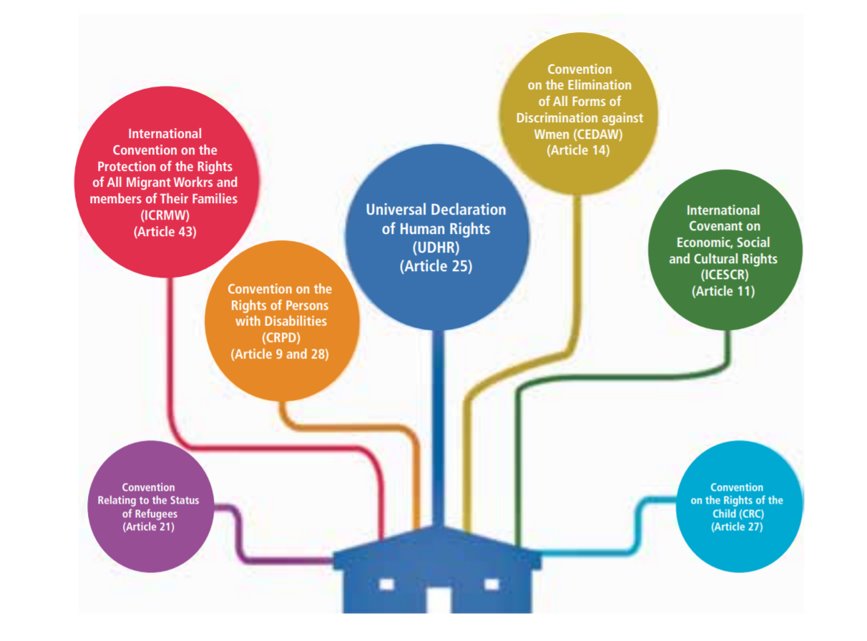
Two hands are at the bottom of the image, wrists together.

They are held palms up and fingers curved at the sides.

Between the hands are coloured balls. They are labelled:

* Security of tenure
* Availability of services
* Affordability
* Habitability
* Accessibility
* Location
* Cultural Adequacy

## UN Conventions relevant to disability housing



A blue house at the bottom. There is a thick blue line up to a circle saying Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) (Article 25).

There are thinner lines to different coloured circles saying, from left to right:

* Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees (Article 21)
* International Convention on the Protection of The Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members (ICRMW) (Article 43)
* Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) (Articles 9 and 28)
* The Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women. (CEDAW) (Article 14).
* International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) (Article 11).
* The Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) (Article 27).

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| Or check our websites Rights & Inclusion Logo. 3 circles intertwined - blue, green and grey. R&IA. | * [Rights & Inclusion Australia](https://www.riaustralia.org/) |
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