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Constellation Project & Business Alliance to End

Homelessness Merge

Homelessness is a crucial and pressing social issue in Australia, with 1 in 200 Australians homeless every night (source 2016 census). People who sleep rough make up only 7% of the homeless population. The lack of affordable housing for people on very low to moderate incomes is a key driver of homelessness in Australia.

In February 2021, **Constellation** and **BAEH** came together to establish a new operating entity called **Constellation Project (CP).** This entity will be chaired by **BAEH**'s current Chair and Convenor, Keith Bryant. Keith brings deep expertise in housing and homelessness from his roles with the Foyer Foundation and Wentworth Housing.

"I am delighted to be chairing this new entity which brings the joint strengths of BAEH's focus on engaging the private sector and Constellation's cross-sector collaboration expertise. We are committed to action on homelessness." Keith Bryant, Chair, Constellation Project.

The **Business Alliance to End Homelessness (BAEH)** is a long-standing initiative comprising members of the business community, academia and other volunteers who seek to end homelessness from a private sector perspective. **BAEH**'s mission focuses on taking a strategic view of what housing models work globally and positioning business as a critical part of the solution.

The Constellation Project was formed in 2018 to drive action through cross-sector collaboration and shares a vision of ending homelessness in a generation. The founding members are the Australian Red Cross, Mission Australia, the Centre for Social Impact and PwC Australia.

Constellation's focus on accelerating solutions using cross-sector teams alongside **BAEH's** commitment to private sector influencing and advocacy will complement and support the considerable existing work on homelessness in Australia.

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