Who pays for SDA?

The NDIS pays for people to live in Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA).

If the NDIS says that you're eligible to live in SDA, SDA payments are included in your NDIS Plan.

Sometimes, people say "SDA" when they are talking about SDA payments. So, you might hear someone say, "I've got SDA in my NDIS Plan".

The SDA payments from your NDIS Plan are paid straight to your SDA landlord. You may also have to pay too.

People living in SDA usually have to pay a "reasonable rent contribution" to their SDA landlord. The most you have to pay is 25 per cent of the disability support pension – including the pension supplement – plus the full Commonwealth rent assistance.

You may look at the many beautiful new SDA properties that are being built and think, "I can't afford to live there." But if you have SDA payments in your NDIS Plan, then you probably can!

The first thing to do is to see if you are eligible for SDA.

Some people have also built their own SDA with a loan from the bank, then use the SDA payments in their NDIS Plan to repay the home loan.



For more information, please email: housingoptions@housinghub.org.au









Housing Hub is a website that shows accessible properties that are available to rent or buy. You can create a profile on the Housing Hub and it will show you places to live that match what you want. If you have very high disability support needs, the Housing Hub team may be able to support you to work out what you want and need in a home. See the services available here: housinghub.org.au/resources/article/specialist-services.

