



Pets in family crisis accommodation Crisis accommodation will now be available in Melbourne’s eastern metropolitan region, for women, children and their pets fleeing family violence. EDVOS (Eastern Domestic Violence Service) has been working to address the issue of pets in families facing violence – recognising the significant role they play in family dynamics and the importance of supporting them too when women and children are fleeing family violence. EDVOS now has accommodation available at three crisis properties in Melbourne’s eastern metropolitan area that can safely accommodate women, children and their pets – each equipped with kennels, pet food and other animal amenities. “EDVOS is so relieved to be able to offer crisis accommodation that welcomes pets too,” explained Ms Jenny Jackson, Executive Director, EDVOS. “Women and children go through unspeakable trauma during family violence and being forced to abandon one of their only comforts causes further emotional damage.” For more information, go [here](#).