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INQUIRY INTO HOMELESSNESS AND LOW-COST RENTAL ACCOMMODATION

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To whom it may concern,

In 2007, our small company went on a research trip to the Northern Hemisphere to look at crisis accommodation and transitional housing solutions.

We came across one proven, versatile, cost-effective system in particular that was used to create a village community for the homeless in downtown Los Angeles. For around 10 years, this project provided shelter, vocational training, kitchen gardens and various support initiatives to those in need. Details can be found at:- http://www.domevillage.org/It_Takes_A_Village.html and http://www.domevillage.org/Programs_Services.html

The innovative, cost-effective, versatile shelter system that was used for this project is called the Domain Dome and is now supplied in Australia for the first time.

Details are at: www.domaindomes.com.au

These systems were used after Hurricane Katrina and the Chinese Earthquake amongst many other applications. They can be deployed rapidly, erected within hours on any surface and removed when required. They are ideal for group accommodation, family living spaces, ablutions, kitchens, offices and storage.

With all the talk and ongoing discussions about the problems, it would be wonderful if proven solutions and systems that are cost-effective and available to be used immediately could be considered and those in need could have access to affordable housing and crisis accommodation.

Another alternative, low-cost shelter and living system we provide, also made and used widely in the US, Canada and Europe is now available in Australia with details at www.bluemountainyurts.com

If I can help further with any more specific information and details, please let me know.

With kind regards...

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