

## Housing



### What should happen?

People with a learning disability have a right to live in the community with everyone else and make choices about the way they live.



They should be able to choose where they live and who they live with.



They should get support to make this choice if they need it.



They can get support from a social worker, a support worker, or someone they trust.



### What is happening now?

People with a learning disability are not always being given a choice.



It could be hard for people to find somewhere good to live, where they can get the right support.



There is not enough safe and suitable housing available.



Housing and support can cost a lot of money.



Many people with a learning disability do not get to choose where they live.



Some people live in hospitals or places far away from the people they know.



## **What Mencap wants to happen**

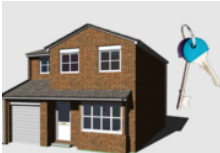
We want people with a learning disability to have a real choice about where they live, and who they live with.



We want people with a learning disability to feel happy and safe where they live.



We want government to meet their promise to reduce the numbers of people with a learning disability and autistic people in inpatient mental health hospitals by 50% - half.



We want more safe and suitable housing to be provided in the community for people with a learning disability.



We want people with a learning disability to live happy and healthy lives, this means they should be getting the right support to make important decisions about their lives.



We want safe and suitable housing and support to be properly funded by government



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