

Hello to all committee members

My name is Dianne Bardwell I am not a former resident

I have being married to one for 8 years now it has being a hell of a Journey

It has being every much an eye open of what really happens behind closed doors

when I met my Husband Wayne I was studding Juvenile Justice by open learning

I have done placements work in many places and see heaps . I have being to many meeting and Inquiries' with Wayne .I have being lucky to meet some really great people that are former residents' just like my husband and there families .

I have seen many people being mistreated by so called support services so many in great pain and suffering.I have seen many of these people die with torn and Brocken soles weather they have died because of what was done to them as children and not Having proper medical treatment or by there own hands This and much more you all say you have heard it all before as you tell us but are you really listing with all your inquiries'

and facts from counselors' support services providers Not once have you ask the families what it is like to live with them.

Not once have you ask there children that grow up seeing what there parents live through on a day to day basic ask the partners' Wives/husbands the hell what the whole family live. Where is the support and help for the family's we are the ones that see the sleepless days and nights the fight in the sleep when they do sleep not being able to leave the house

you do not see the humiliation not been able to read the mail not being able to fill out forms the continues sense of powerlessness and hopelessness the Fear and distrust of authority fingers like Centerlink ,child support any government body any medial persons As for the lack of understanding the long time effects of childhood neglect and Abuse. you do not see the trapped cycle many former residents' are trapped in. The struggles to have there children be well education as for proper work so they do not live in poverty Homeliness' welfare payments .the continued disadvantage does impact on the lives of former residents' partners' Wives/husbands we have High density of Family breakdowns as the instability of coping skills . We the Families Need help and support to keep supporting them as many former residents' are unable to read or Wright so they depend on us there family and many have being ripped off because of this and not knowing what they are sinning. You do Not see what what happen before or after to them after they have put there sole on the line with Inquiry's. you do not get threaten to be kicked out of your house or your pension be stopped. When things are really bad and the family is breaking down there is NOT help there is NOT support .

I know because I have tried many times I have even begged for help and it has never happen at the cost of my own health and mind to keep going for wanting to have the same life as many others have wanting to have a life of my own. Explaining why we want to be both well at the same time. why we want to have a day today routine. Money is not always the answer to everything it does not take away the scars the memories or the nightmares away The inside as they run deep and long like a river the scarson the out side will always be seen but and will never taken away. Many are forced to relive what happen to them because you the government have NOT leant anything as you take our children /Grandchildren away instead of finding out what is causing the brake family brake down and helping the family to stay together When you are a X ward of the state you get NO respect NO empathy Child safety there is NO negotiating nothing they just steel our children. All families have different needs this is why in home support work is needed so they can see what is happening or be shown . many need help with keep there home clean and tidy many need help for there children to learn with school work . A support

worker can put in the right words what is need to help everyone in the family for service providers' some of these thing may not be long term

it could be in stuff times .This would stop a lot of our children being stolen . I know for our Family if we had of had some thing like this our family would not be so broken our grandchildren would not have being put into so called care. It is said that a journey of

then thousand miles begins with one step well many X ward have done this and much more they

Deserve to have composition , they **Deserve the gold card.** most of all they **Deserve A Royal commission**

thank you

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