

Hello my name is Glenda Farnham, I wish to put forward why redress is important to all us care leavers that have suffered for many years.

I was placed in a home at the age of 10, a so called church run home where the abuse was emotional/psychological, then as I became a teenager I was charged as being uncontrollable and made a state ward, placed in other homes and treated like a nobody for my teenage life, then just left to defend for myself when it was time to leave care, even though I was a state ward until I was 18. I believe we should all be treated equal and it not depend on which state you grew up in, we were all treated badly and suffer in silence what does it take to get you people to listen.

The Prime Minister told us that we were no longer the FORGOTTEN AUSTRALIANS, but still many of us feel this way as the hurt NEVER goes away, if it wasn't for Care Leavers Australia many of us would have suffered in silence.

So please listen to us all we need the Senate Inquiry on Government Compensation Payments, we have suffered for long enough and most of us have nothing and never will due to the poor upbringing we faced in our lives we were not asked to be put in care, but were told it was for a better LIFE, which we never got.

Thank you for your time I just hope I haven't wasted my time.

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