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To whom it may concern.

I am overworked as a carer.
I look after my son and daughter & her
five children.

We have the help of services.
But one won't do this;
one won't do that. It is so
hard to get help and the people working
for the agencies come & go trying to
do as little as possible and
not staying the agreed amount of
time.

To get respite I have had to go
to 3 agencies. This has taken a
lot of time effort and coordination.

My future, — who knows
I am getting sicker & sicker &
no time to go to the Drs
for me.

The future of my family?
Who knows, when I am
gone. I don't think
there will be any help for
the daughters & children.

I am setting my son up
to be able to manage.


I have lived off my super
in the past 18 mths. I cannot
work to get income. I get
the carers pension.

I have no social life.

I need extra help to make me
get my head around me. I am
going around in circles.

I think the Govt should give
an extra \$50 pw to pay
for cleaning or home help. This
should go directly to the person
cleaning - caring etc.

I don't know what is funded
by Commonwealth or State
Govts.



I find this life very
difficult. I only hope my
daughter does not have to go into
hospital permanently and see
children into foster care.

My son needs full on carer
help too. There is not enough
of me to go around. I am
aged 60.

Yours faithfully