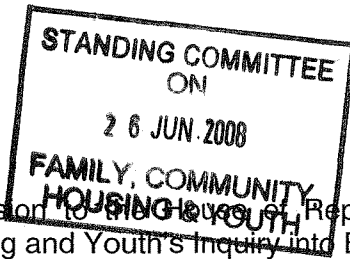


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Submission No. 528  
(Inq into better support for carers)



Dear Secretary

I wish to make a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth's Inquiry into Better Support for Carers.

I am submitting to the Inquiry because...

I hope the government will keep helping our carers support group in Stawell as if we need help any time they are there for us at all times.

More information is attached on a separate sheet

1. The role and contribution of carers in society

As a carer, I feel that my role is...

In the autumn of my life. my husband became very ill I thought this is the end. But along came the wonderful help of groups of carers. and we are not alone any more silently and with a smile. Volunteers go day to day helping us find the quality of life once again. We thank you so much.  
Jackie Dave

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2. The barriers to social and economic participation for carers

As a carer, I face the following problems ...

my day most days start at 4 AM until 10 PM some nights I don't go to bed at all unless my dear husband wants me. He has a heart condition & becomes worse he stops breathing. He is 87 years old I am 83 years

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**3. The practical measures required to better support carers**

As a carer, I need help with ...

With Personal Care Showers + Dressing (Him)  
and help in my home with the cleaning.  
I do not get meals on wheels. As I love cooking.  
for my husband.

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**4. Strategies to assist carers to access opportunities and choices**

I think the Government can better help carers by ...

I had to buy a lift chair. As I put two  
decks out in my neck the (3rd & 4th vertebra)  
We bought have 2 scooters as we have no  
bar any more. It gives us a little freedom  
to go to the Doctors + shopping

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Thank you for taking my views into consideration as part of the Committee's Inquiry. I look forward to reviewing any recommendations you make to improve life for carers in Australia.

Yours sincerely

Print your name

JACQUELINE

Date

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