

Committee Secretary
Inquiry into Better Support for Carers
House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,
Community, Housing and Youth
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Submission No. 1102
(Inq into better support for carers)

Dear Secretary

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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...

Understanding of Carers and their
needs are not Met or considered
to be needed

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...

My role is not considered valuable
and under paid and
caring is a 24 hour job.

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2. The barriers to social and economic participation for carers

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

not being able to do what other
people do - go to theatre, entertainment
etc.
Just to be able to do normal
things and not worry about cost

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3. The practical measures required to better support carers

As a carer, I need help with ... BEING A CARER

My wife in Govt care cost THOUSANDS
My wife at home I get paid peanuts,
We as carers need help with costs
of caring - In short we need at
least \$100 pweek more to EXIST

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4. Strategies to assist carers to access opportunities and choices

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

Country people are disadvantaged
because of distance - cost of fuel
Too many long miles in cars to medical
help.
Extra \$100^{pweek} at least just to help us
EXIST

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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

JOHN

Print your name

25-6-08

Date