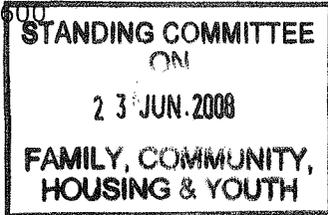


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Dear Secretary

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.

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

To provide a safe & caring environment for my partner & our children

I face the following problems ...

Lack of funds to provide outings or entertainment for my partner & children. To get him out of the house and not so isolated

I need help with ...

The ability to provide more than just the bare essentials - as this is all our budget allows for as costs increase. I am unable to work more hours because of wage/income restrictions & because of partner's need. I think the Government can better help Carers by ... increasing the Carer Allowance & Carer Payment. Therefore I fully acknowledge the important role they play in our community. If it weren't for Carers - this burden would

be placed on the Government.

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

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