

Inquiry into Homelessness in Victoria

Mrs DIANE HOLROYD

Organisation Name:

Your position or role:

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Drag the statements below to reorder them. In order of priority, please rank the themes you believe are most important for this inquiry into homelessness to consider::

Rough sleeping, Mental health, Family violence, Services, Public housing, Housing affordability, Indigenous people, Employment

What best describes your interest in our Inquiry? (select all that apply) :

Working in the mental health sector , Working in the alcohol or other drug services sector , An advocacy body , Working in Homelessness services , Concerned citizen , Working in the health sector , Currently or have had a lived experience of homelessness, Other (please describe)

SUICIDE OF HOMELESS

Are there any additional themes we should consider?

SURVIVING FAMILY

YOUR SUBMISSION

Submission:

My son Calum John Holroyd died 51 days ago due to long standing mental health issues in a criminal and drug infested dwelling in the city where he had taken haven from homelessness I believed he would die in there if we could not find him adequate safe housing and he took his life in a room that stole his very last breath and hope for a better life.....inadequate services supports and family breakdown left him vulnerable to the addictions that consumed him.

I WOULD LIKE TO APPEAL FOR AN EXTENSION ON MY SUBMISSION PLEASE BECAUSE MY SON CAL NEEDS TO HAVE HIS STORY HEARD

AS I WAS UNAWARE OF THE TIME FRAME PROVIDED AS CLOSING MARCH 16TH UNTIL A FEW DAYS AGO AND THE PANIC THAT IS CONSUMING OUR COMMUNITY WITH THE PANDEMIC OF CORONAVIRUS HAS LEFT ME SHORT OF ADEQUATE TIME TO PRESENT THE DETAILED INFORMATION AND UPLOAD FILES TO SHARE MY PERSONAL IMPACT STATEMENT REGARDING THE HOMELESS LIVED EXPERIENCES AND ITS IMPACT ON MYSELF AND MY FAMILY TODAY

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

Please give me the opportunity to present my lived experience of the lack of duty of care to our most vulnerable members of our Family in our Community.

Our community can work together with families to save our children from leaving providing them and their families with support respect dignity and care before leaving for the city where predators wait for them in crime abuse and devastation. Every member of our society in Australia in 2020 needs to be safe and hopeful for a better future especially with winter coming and the unknown future we are facing as we all self isolate and the vulnerable are abandoned.

FILE ATTACHMENTS

File1:

File2:

File3:

Signature:

DIANE LORRAINE HOLROYD

Justine Donohue

From: dianeholroyd@bigpond.com
Sent: Thursday, 9 July 2020 3:12 PM
To: homelessnessinquiry
Subject: CALUM JOHN HOLROYD LATE SUBMISSION

Importance: High

I was unable to meet the submission time to provide a file for my son the late Calum John Holroyd. I would like to request the opportunity to share my 23 year old son's story and his life experiences for him and our family with regard to homelessness.

Cal died in January 2020 his voice needs to be heard we loved him and would endeavour to meet your criteria if this opportunity could be extended.

Thankyou

Diane Holroyd (Cal's Mum)



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