

Why I came to the Newsletter

By Shakisha Downey



The reason I came to this program was to meet new people who are in a bit of the same situations as I am in myself. I'd like to get to know them all really well and see if anyone has any of my past experiences.

I'm hoping I can sit down and maybe talk to them about things that have happened in my life and the struggles I've been through without them feeling sorry for me. I hope they can understand and relate to my situation.

It is good to come into contact with people who share the same kind of lifestyle and live under the same kind of ridiculous rules and restrictions. Maybe if I ever meet up with them in a group home or another foster home, I will not feel totally alone in a new environment.

By Patricia Schofield



Ammy told me about the Newsletter Project and how much fun she had at there over the past nine years. I thought it would be very interesting so I decided to get registered.

I think the Newsletter will get me far in life. I get to meet new people, experience new things, maybe even gain new skills that I might need for a job.

Some people who are in care come to the Newsletter and want to gain something from it; some just come to talk about what it's like to be in care and what are the benefits. Or come for the money.

I didn't come for any of those reasons, only to talk about what it's like to be in care — and with the money I receive, can go to Rogers and get that awesome phone I've been wanting forever.

I hope I get to meet a lot of people. And I hope that this group thinks positive, and hopefully no bullying, because a lot of people go through a whack of stupid stuff. I look forward to meeting new people over this year.

By Ashton Glasgow



Well, when I was living at the Reigh Allen Centre, I wanted to read something. I found the Newsletter on a table and saw a picture of my sister Ashley on the back cover.

I got really excited and I wanted to be part of the Newsletter Project too.



By Ashley Baxter



I came to the Newsletter because I'd always heard about it from my friend Sabrina. She went all the time and told me about it but I wasn't able to go because I lived too far away.

I love to write, and hoped someday I would be able to go. I hope to make lots of friends and learn not to be so shy.

By Manda Jackson



I came to the Newsletter for my third year because I enjoy letting others know how I feel about things. I honestly love how I can meet with the group every Wednesday night and it doesn't matter what mood I'm in that day or week, I can come to the newsletter and express my issues and problems and they understand me and give me advice.

The most important thing I love about expressing myself at the newsletter is they always keep it within the group and they never judge me. Thanks guys!!

By Haley Glaspy



I came to the Newsletter to meet new people, to see old friends I knew from previous times, and because I love some of the assignments we do. That is probably because I love to read and write.

I think the newsletter is a good opportunity to get your opinion out there through the magazine. It's also nice to have good relationships with everybody who comes to the newsletter.