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Hello Team

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Subject: Long-Term Plan submission form [#16]

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Date	Sunday 22 November 1981
Tick the box if you wish to discuss	• Yes

Your submission

your submission in person

Thank you for this opportunity. To allow the tax paying public the ability to express concerns and submissions as to where we believe our regions funds maybe allocated, many thanks.

Reading through the Consultation Document send via post, it is evident that an obvious submission, that we feel would benefit our region greatly and give Christchurch the role of leading district in New Zealand on the subject of community support, would be to allocate a small portion of funding towards a support service aimed at young mother's whom may feel pressured into aborting their unwanted infant's due to lack of alternative.

We feel that this would come under the descriptions outlined in the send document, bullet-pointed as (#8); 'Make our information much more accessible and useful to the people who need it'

Useful being the key-word in relation to our submission.

It is obvious to us that only a minute population, namely the mothers of unwanted infants and the infant's in question, would benefit from this, however this indicates that only a small amount of funding need allocated.

Mother's considering abortion make up a very small percentage of the entire Canterbury population and after research on the subject found that the options, other than abortion, for mother's with unplanned pregnancies were very scarce. Information on what adoption agencies and foster homes offer are not readily accessible and support for young teen girls whom are subject to this horrific situation is simply slim to none.

A large number of abortion's are due to the young women's fear of their parents scorning. As we are human rights supporter's, Christchurch person's and New Zealand citizen's we care for our youth and of course our future generations. It is tragic to think that one of New Zealand's aborted infants which may have been destined to be the next Sir Edmond Hillary or one to follow in the footsteps of Sir Earnest Rutherford was discarded simply due to a young lady's fear of their parents.

The detrimental mental health issues pressed upon young mother's who may feel they have no other option but to abort is in our opinion not difficult to overcome if they were able to access the necessary guidance and advice. We have found that a large number of young lady's feel alone and do not know who to turn to for advice regarding their unwanted pregnancy. We feel this would be completely eradicated if a small portion of funding was allocated, directly effecting the well-being of the young lady in question and also the obvious benefit for the living infant in her womb.

Thank you for your time... please continue below.

What do you want Environment Canterbury to do?

We want Environment Canterbury to allocate sufficient funding to establish an Alternate Abortion Choice (A.A.C) premises which is respectful of young people's privacy, yet well advertised via digital media, pamphlets, Hospital notice boards and Abortion service's, G.P office's (Also allow Doctor's the privilege to promptly offer this service before the alternative of abortion).

We want an annual funding scheme to be considered in order to spare the mother and her infant any loss, loss of mental health, which may occur in the mother post abortion and loss of a possible Sir Edmond Hillary.

Given the statistics within N.Z of abortion rates, we are pleased to find the abortion rate is at a decrease. We, with the help of Environment Canterbury, tax paying public, Christchurch community, New Zealand citizens and the Royal New Zealand Crown, believe Christchurch will take the lead and incredibly decrease this abortion rate even further.

We are currently developing a procedure to save our future leader's and are currently collecting signatures of person's, particularly experienced mother's, whom would aid this service as volunteers, offering the correct support and encouragement for the young in particular to journey through a successful pregnancy. Our support, we believe the youth are lacking and these signatures of fellow human's egger to aid these young mother's are in the hundreds and these signature's are from Christchurch alone!

The A.A.C would offer a myriad of differing options which would best suit the young mother in need, it maybe as simple as careful guidance by experienced mother's whom would be in

communication with thee young mother's parents or guardians. It maybe as simple as expressing adoption alternatives or foster care alternatives, advice on motherly duties and/or the young mother is fearful of her parents disappointment, then support person(s) will speak to her parents on her behalf and hopefully bring them to a understanding of parental support for their daughter and the infant in the womb as apposed to discouraging scorning consequently losing a possible future leader of our free land. Of course these a but a few of the options we would offer for the young mother's in distress. All we ask is for your support.

We hope for a response and are able to provide details of our Alternative Abortion Choice (A.A.C) procedures and planning, open for critique and reviewing if Environment Canterbury decides to help us and our community.

Sincerely J.D Matheson