

## Jessie's story

### An Easy Read case study



As a child Jessie lived in state care.  
She was sexually abused while in state care.



As an adult Jessie became an award-winning journalist.  
She is also an artist and author.



National Redress Scheme

Jessie heard about the National Redress Scheme at an information day.  
But she was unsure if she would apply.

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For people who have experienced institutional child sexual abuse



Jessie was worried about the application process.

She thought people may not believe her story.

But the National Redress Scheme gave Jessie a voice.



She says if you apply for the National Redress Scheme:

- make sure you have support
- don't do it alone.



**Lotus place**

Jessie applied for redress with support from Lotus Place.

Lotus Place is a free and confidential Redress Support Service.



The National Redress Scheme helped Jessie.

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- She received an apology.
- She also received a payment.



Jessie said, “At last, somebody is taking responsibility. Someone is saying sorry, and you're being acknowledged.”