# Lana’s story

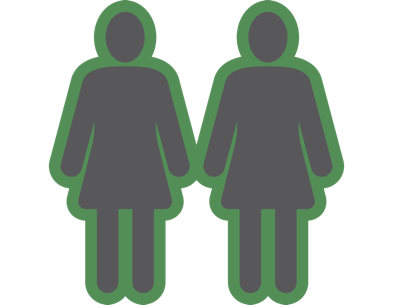
## An Easy Read case study



Lana is a Forgotten Australian.

Forgotten Australians are people who grew up in state institutions between 1920 and 1990.

Many children were abused while an institution was supposed to be taking care of them.



Early in life Lana lived with her twin sister in state institutions.

During this time Lana’s sister passed away.

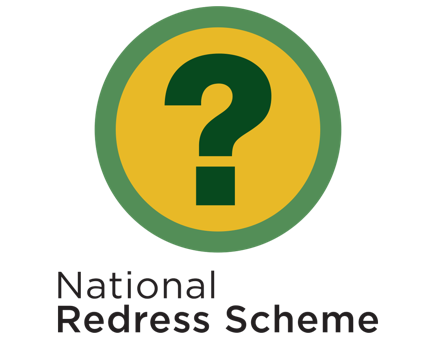
And Lana was sexually abused.



Lana did not talk about what happened to her for many years.

She shared some of her story through:

* interviews about her life
* art



Lana heard about the National Redress Scheme.

But she was unsure if she would apply.



Lana shared her story with help from her local Redress Support Service.

And she asked for redress through the National Redress Scheme.



Lana said the National Redress Scheme was a chance to be:

* believed
* heard
* and have a voice.



The National Redress Scheme helped Lana.

She received an apology for her and her sister.

She also received a payment.



Lana said, “Redress helped me a lot. From one Forgotten Australian to another, please try and give it a go.”