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Inquiry into Unpaid Work

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What kinds of unpaid work does your submission predominately discuss?: volunteering

We now invite you to share your views in writing. You can either attach a file, OR answer the questions below. You don't need to do both.: No file uploaded

What are your personal experiences with unpaid work?:

Volunteering in various ways, but currently mainly administering an inner city village for older people. There are no paid staff, so it is run by the residents themselves and 3 outside volunteers, including me. Takes up most of my time, outside of the time spent taking care of my disabled partner, and weekdays taking care of grandchildren.

In your opinion, what could the ACT Government do to improve the situation of people performing regular unpaid work?:

Maybe covering expenses, such as travel? Volunteering actually costs us, and at this time of our life, living on a very minimal amount, it can make life difficult.

Is there anything else relating to unpaid work that you would like to tell the committee?:

It is of course rewarding when all goes well, and the residents of the village are healthy and happy.