Story ting children

Connecting children with their parent in custody

Building futures so kids can

Who we are

We are passionate about transforming the lives of children and young people affected by the criminal justice system.

What we do

We provide services and programs to support children and young people who have had contact with the justice system, from infancy to adulthood.

Where we are

We are a national charity and operate in NSW, VIC, ACT and QLD. Email us at enquiries@shineforkids.org.au

Shine for Kids recognises the Traditional Custodians of Australia and the local Aboriginal communities where we provide services.



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What is Storytime?

Storytime gives a child comfort and improves their wellbeing through listening to and reading along to a story book recorded by their parent in custody.

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What's involved?

The parent in custody is supported to record themselves reading a storybook supplied by SHINE for Kids. In some cases, the parent also has the opportunity to write and create their own story book for their child.

The child receives the recording of the story and the book so that they can read along with their parent's voice any time they are missing them.



This program improves the wellbeing of children with a parent in custody by supporting them to feel connected with and loved by their parent in custody. Listening to their parent's voice strengthens the important bond between child and their parent and eases feelings of isolation.



Who is eligible?

Children from young toddlers to primary school age children with a parent in custody are eligible for this program. Please visit www.shineforkids.org.au to find current locations this program is offered.



How can I participate?

Please email us at enquiries@shineforkids.org.au to express interest in your child/ren or a child you know participating in this program. Parents in custody can contact their local SHINE for Kids staff member or Programs Officer.



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