

17 April 2007

**Judge Andrew Becroft
Principal Youth Court Judge
Chief Judges' Chambers
PO Box 10-167
Wellington**

Dear Andrew,

Re: No Excuses Corrective Training Awareness Campaign

No Excuses Corrective Training (NET) offers a second chance at life, by challenging beliefs and values that have formed attitudes in people.

NET develops a conscience in people by clearly defining and knowing the difference between right and wrong. Conscience deficits are filled with the Truth.

NET re-educates bad attitudes, and conduct deficiencies and moves people towards maturity, conscientiousness, responsibility and accountability.

NET captures the problem of failure at the interpersonal social level of human functioning and traces it back to beliefs, values and attitudes.

NET helps people to relate to their family and community in a positive way.

NET teaches people to respect Positive Authority, instead of Negative Authority found in gangs, and the like.

NET teaches satisfactory standards of behaviours. People learn to credit themselves when they do right, and correct themselves when they do wrong.

NET teaches people to Aim High, and increase positive accomplishments every day. Because, "Show me a person's habits, and I will tell you his destiny" (K. Adams). Our conduct will determine how worthwhile our life is.

NET captures the problem of failure at the interpersonal social level of human functioning, and traces it back to flawed beliefs, and flawed values, that have created bad attitudes.

Child-rearing practices over the past 60 years have often not helped children to become more mature and accountable. Psychoanalytic theory and practices has also steered young people toward ever-deeper delinquency, defiance, and rejection of parents and authority.

In recent years, there has been too much emphasis on self-esteem and not enough on self-control. Likewise, there has been too much emphasis on human rights, and not enough on human wrongs, which has upset the balance in character development.

No Excuses Corrective Training re-educates people. The precepts and principles are the foundation for a successful, satisfying life, based on responsibility.

Responsibility - The ability to fulfill one's needs and do so in a way that does not deprive others of the ability to fulfill their needs. A responsible person is worthwhile to others. An irresponsible person is guided by how he/she feels, and what is in it for him/her. Irresponsible people cause harm to themselves and others.

NET teaches responsibility, consistency, commitment and accountability. NET does not accept excuses about unruly, irrational, irresponsible behaviours. People learn to appraise the consequences of their action... before they act.

IF A PERSON IS ACTING IRRESPONSIBLY, THEY NEED NO-EXCUSES TRAINING TO LEARN TO BEHAVE, AND LIVE MORE RESPONSIBLY.

NET teaches honesty, truthfulness and integrity. NET builds on good, and chips away bad behaviours.

NET IS FOR EVERYONE! (Not to be held in the hands of a few highly trained and expensive specialists.) Written up for easy understanding to be used by family, community, Marae, group, school, mental health centres, youth justice centres and prisons.

Forty lessons serve to re-educate people who are struggling with personal issues, family dysfunction, and offending behaviours.

Clinical evidence has demonstrated a remarkable improvement in each person who has completed No-Excuses Corrective Training. No one is claiming that the evidence is definitive at this stage. Research psychologists can gather additional supporting data of an empirical nature as No Excuses Training unfolds across our nation.

Its promise for the future seems to be very bright.

We would appreciate you registering your support for the initiative at our website, www.no-excuses.co.nz

Feel free to circulate this letter to everyone under your influence. Thank you.

Kind Regards

Annebeth Riles Broad

Founding Director of No-Excuses Corrective Training

P.S. Concerned people have been talking about a 'safety net' for our at risk young people for many years. No-Excuses Corrective Training provides the net to transform recidivist offenders into law-abiding citizens.