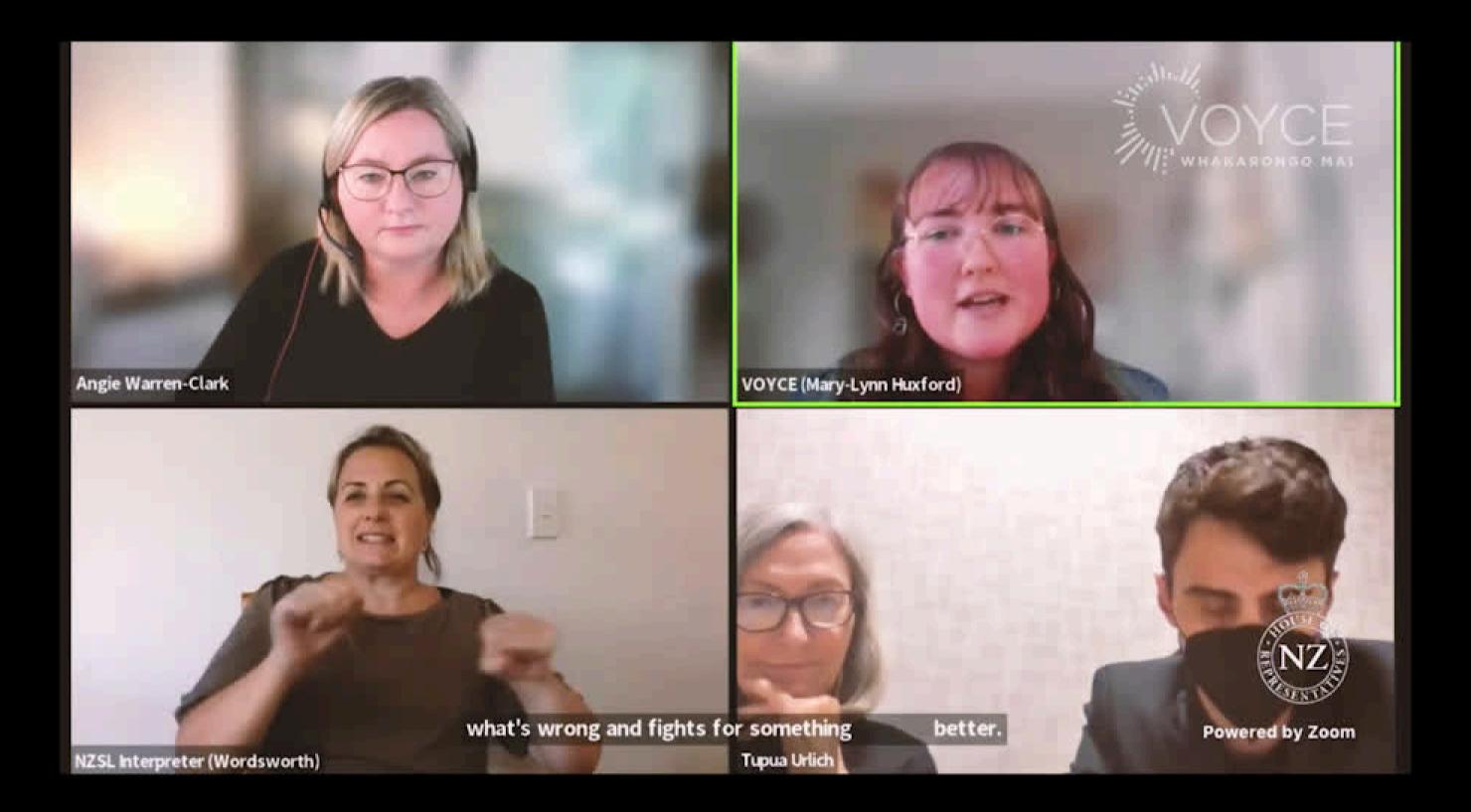
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### KO WA AU?



Mary-Lynn Huxford she/her



#### **Aaliyah Davies**

she/her Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Kahungunu



#### **Kainare Hoffman**

he/him Ngāti Pikiao



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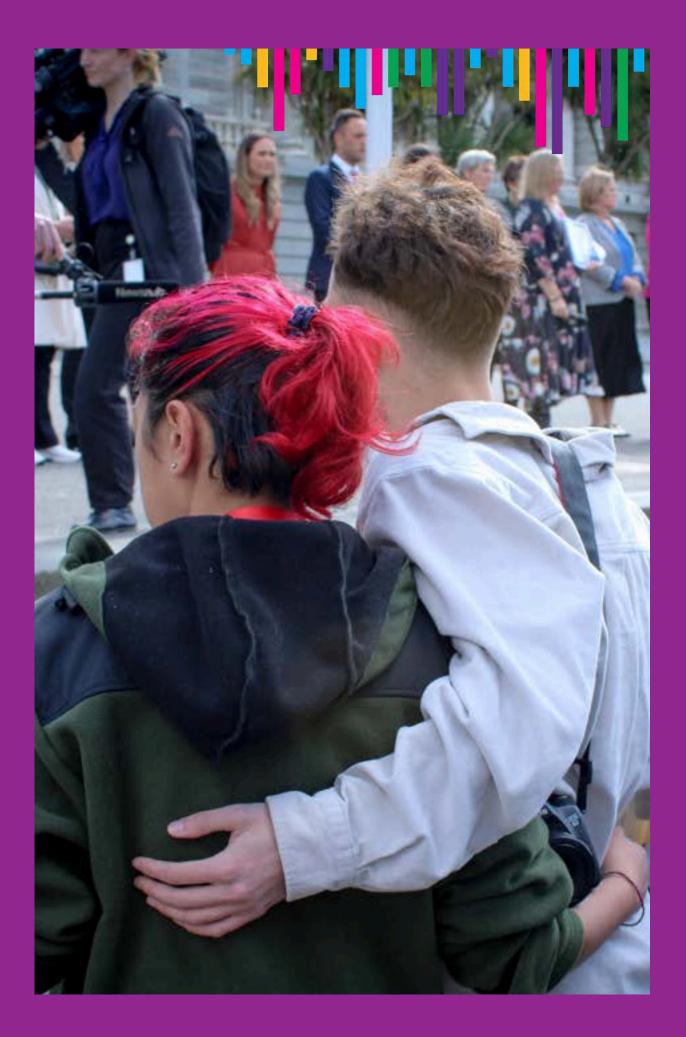












# Workshop 2

### Mokopuna living away from their whānau



### 6 PROMISES CAMPAIGN





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VOYCE, alongside young advocates across the country co-designed the 6 Promises Summit, Hikoi and Petition Handover at Parliament





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need, and yet...

### You promised to take care of me and make sure I have the things I

• Despite a decrease in the number of tamariki and rangatahi in care, there's an increase in abuse and neglect cases

• Care experienced young people are experiencing housing insecurity and homelessness too often

• Young people are leaving care not set up to survive, never mind thrive





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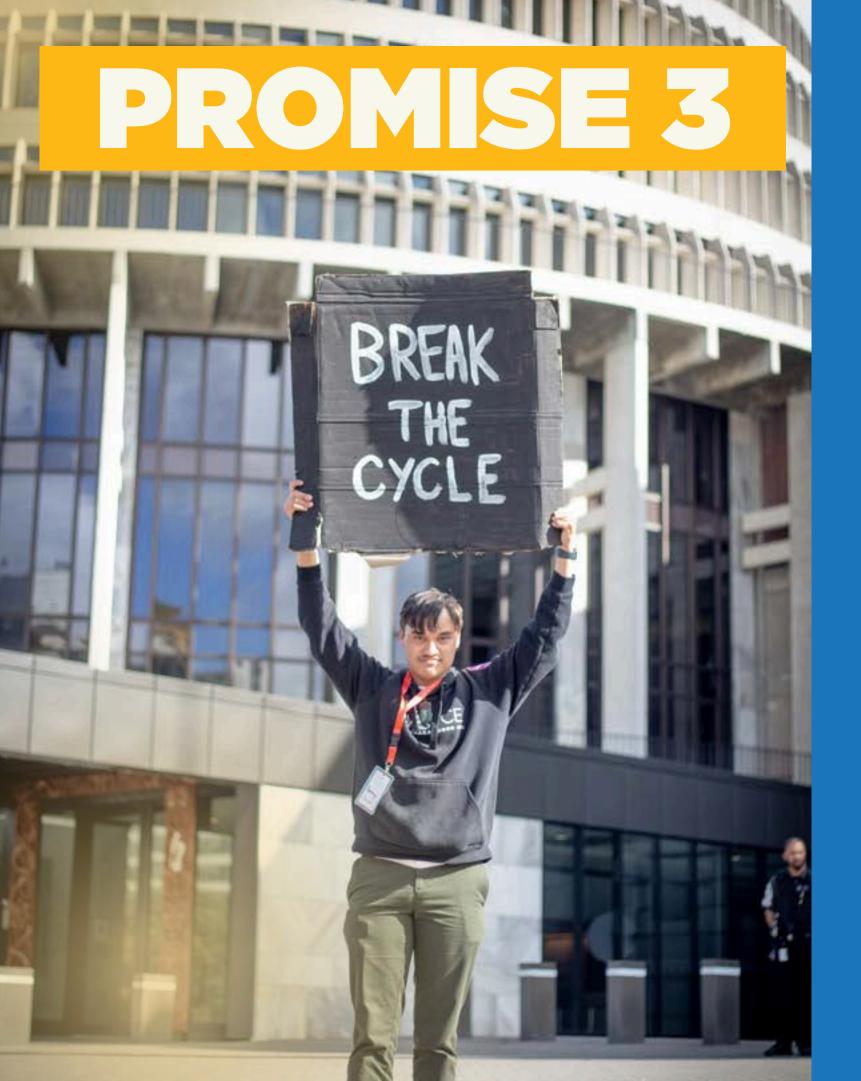
 Young people are not being provided with stability when they enter care

• Caregivers aren't consistently assessed before young people are placed with them

• Young people and children in care are not being kept safe, particularly in residences

#### You promised to make sure I have safety and stability in my life, and





#### You promised to help me with my education goals and dreams, and yet

- residences are failing

• Tamariki and rangatahi in care often have high educational needs but face difficulties accessing support

• Children and young people experience barriers and disruption to their education due to being in care

• Alternative education and education in

• Young people in care don't have equal access to tertiary education



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#### You promised to support me with healthcare when I need it, and yet....

- Implementation of health-related National Care Standards by OT is lacking
- Approximately 70% of tamariki and rangatahi in care haven't seen a GP within a year
- Young people in care are 4x more likely to attempt suicide and are 2x more likely to have symptoms of depression



### PROMSE5



- complaints
- unheard

#### You promised to listen and include me when decisions are made about me, and yet...

 Not all tamariki and rangatahi are aware of their rights or how to make

• Tamariki and rangatahi express frustration and disappointment when not involved in decisions, or feel

• As a country, New Zealand is performing poorly in upholding children's rights



### PROMSE6

For What 2 MasTaken For, YO The Same

You promised to help me feel confident in who I am, and learn about my whakapapa, culture and language, and yet...

- while in care

 Some tamariki feel restricted in contacting their whānau

 Training and support for cultural capability vary among OT kaimahi

• Tamariki Māori are often disconnected for their marae, hapū and iwi

• Takatāpui and rainbow rangatahi are not safe and supported in their identity







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#### Workshop Activity:

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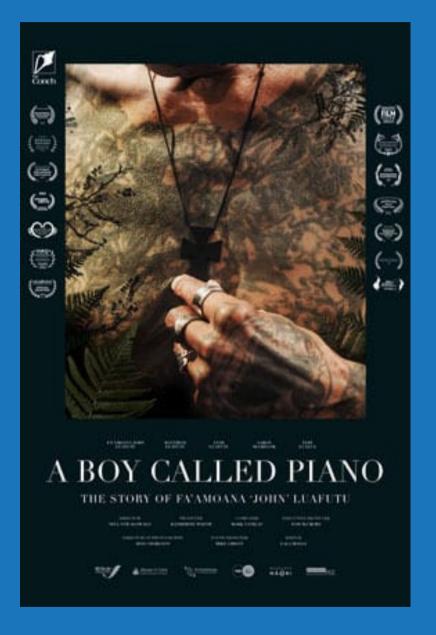


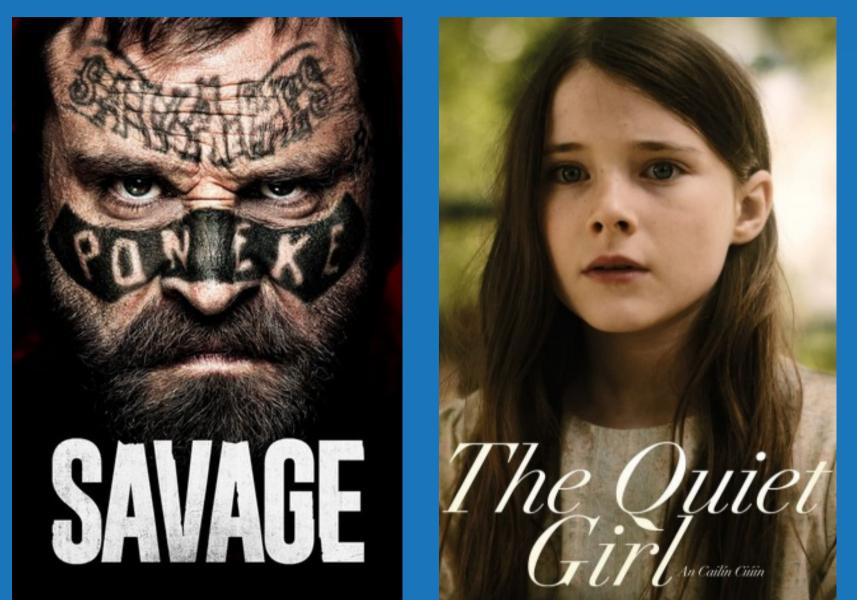


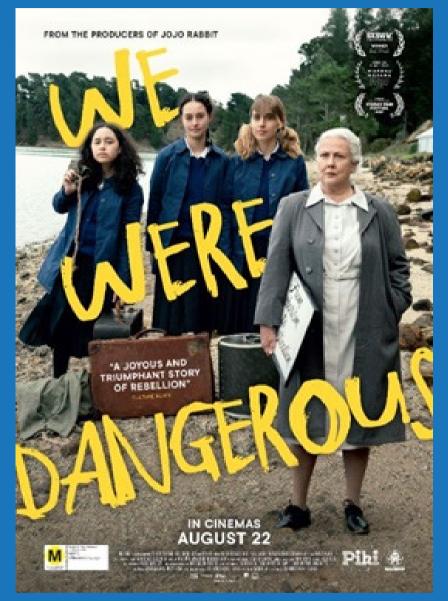
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### EDUCATE YOURSELF









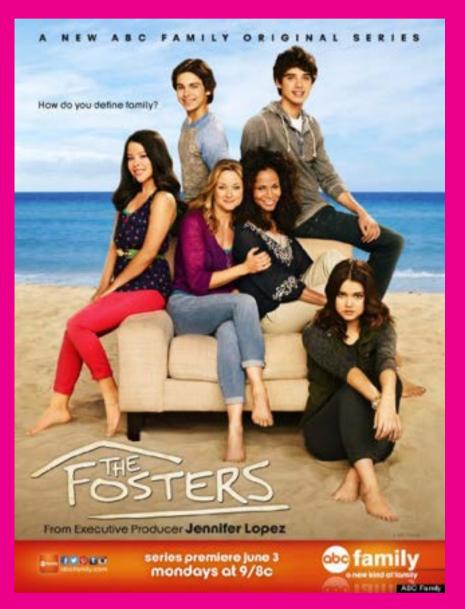
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