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Dear Outreach Worker,

The news we've been dreading came through today. Budget cuts will downsize the Outreach Program considerably, and the centre will now close at night. As your co-worker is senior to you he will retain the day shift, and I am sorry to say you will be laid off one month from today.

This in no way reflects on your work, which has been above and beyond our expectations. In fact, although I know it will be cold comfort to you, the centre has accomplished so much over the last few years that the need for such a service has been reduced, to your credit.

I know that you will soon be receiving your Master's Degree in Social Work and that your thesis is concerned with prevention of the kind of problems we dealt with here. You definitely have a real vocation for this work and I hope you get a chance to put your ideas into practice. Please feel free to use me as a reference if you wish. Meanwhile I wish you all the best.

Sincerely,

Paulette Tucker

Director, Youth Services