

CROWDED HOUSE



"It wasn't easy to find some space to chill in the refuge
but we made the best of a difficult time"

Billy and Jaz

REFUGEE EXPERIENCES



- "We got there in the middle of the night" - Junior, 11
- "I was surprised how many other families were there" - Amanda, 12
- "There was someone who wanted to listen to me" - Ravnita, 14
- "It WAS DIFFICULT SHARING WITH STRANGERS" - Carmen, 16
- "I felt isolated" - Reece, 11
- "I was able to keep up with my school work" - Ian, 12
- "We had to travel far to get there" - Lynda, 15
- "It was noisy at times but sometimes that was fun" - Isabel, 13
- "I felt embarrassed to tell my mates" - Martin, 14
- "They helped us find a new home" - Dwight, 11



what has been your experience of refuge, or what would you like to be your experience if you came into a refuge?

A day count by a National Survey Team on 8th January 2003 calculated that 2,786 women and 3,609 children were living in refuges across England on that day. In total, 7,487 women and 8,818 children were known to have received support from domestic violence services in England on that day.