



Annie Oakley

Annie is a 24-year-old sole support parent of three children, aged 3, 6, & 8. She is separated from her spouse – currently in court for custody of children – spouse wants joint custody but Annie wants sole custody and supervised visits. She and the kids are living in a farmhouse outside of Chepstow with no vehicle. She relies on her mother for rides. The rent is \$750.00

per month and heat is averaging \$500.00 per month during winter months. The landlord refuses to do any upgrades to make the home more energy efficient. She has a disconnect notice as she owes \$1250.00 in hydro arrears – she will be disconnected within the next 3 days. She has been out of the work force for the past 10 years. She only has her Grade 9, as she left school when she was pregnant. She has been receiving Ontario Works for past 16 months and, and receives her Child Tax Benefit. She has a bank account, and several debts - MasterCard \$3400, Canadian Tire \$1200.00, Bell Mobility \$560.00. Her spouse refuses to help with bills and Annie is receiving calls from debt collectors. Her youngest child has very little speech and is scheduled to attend junior kindergarten in the fall but she has



not registered them. Annie states she herself has a learning disability and did not do well in school. It has been recommended by some school officials that Annie could benefit from some parenting courses, but she doesn't know where to go. Annie is aware that she will be required to job search/upgrade in the fall when her youngest attends school.