Barnardos Boarded Out Practical Support Service for Adults

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Boarded Out is a term used to describe children who were fostered or raised with families other than their own in Ireland.

This happened mainly between 1920 - 1970. There was also a practice of being **nursed out**, where infants were placed with women who could care for them.

Some children were boarded out up to the introduction of the **1991 Child Care Act.** While many children were boarded out on farms in rural areas, children were also placed in homes in larger towns and cities.

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What support can this service offer me?

If you have experience of being boarded out, you can avail of Barnardos free and confidential service offering a wide range of practical supports, including:

- Support to access health, community and social services
- Support with isolation and loneliness
- Assistance in filling out forms and grant applications
- Advocacy, information and signposting



