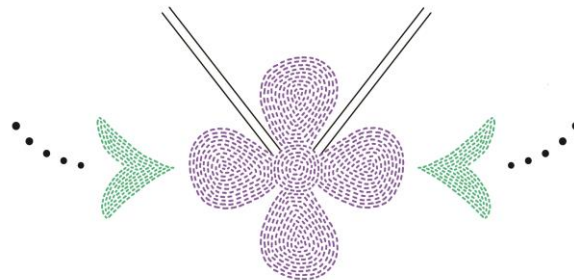


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MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: Hi, my name is Daria Boyarchuk, and it is April 21st, it is 11:38 in the morning. We are here in, in Regina. I apologize, it's 11:27 in the morning. And I'm here with Destiny Goforth who will share with us her story of her missing loved one, her sister Kelly Goforth. Destiny, I spoke earlier to you about the consent form.

MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: Yes.

MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: That we will keep a copy of it. But the consent form is, like I mentioned to you earlier, is either you give your authority to, to the Inquiry share your story, to share your voice, your photograph, your image with the Inquiry or -- and in that case you will be checking the, the first box. If, however -- like if for some reason you're not comfortable enough to share -- then you will be checking the second box. So feel free to take the time and to decide which one is best for you and then we can --

MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: Yeah, I will do the first one.

MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: Okay, and then we need the signature at the bottom and I will be the witness then. Perfect, thank you. And then also another one is --

1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Okay.

2 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah. Perfect, thank
3 you very much.

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** You're welcome.

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** I'll take the pen, and
6 when you've read it again, please feel free to share any
7 background about yourself or anywhere that you want to
8 start.

9 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Okay.

10 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** If it's something
11 that's -- you really feel you want to share with us.

12 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Well I'm the oldest of
13 six. Kelly was the baby girl. There was three girls and
14 three boys. We grew up on the reserve with, with our mom -
15 -

16 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

17 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** -- and our dad. But
18 they divorced when I was like I think 18 or 19. And Kelly
19 was -- Kelly was the baby of the family, she was just like
20 the princess. And, and because I was the oldest I used to
21 get the blame a lot for everything that she would do, like
22 --

23 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** They were spoiling her
24 a lot?

25 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I was the spoiler. I

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1 was actually was spoiled from our parents. Everybody --
2 like she just had that way, just get in the way with
3 trouble and all that, you know. I used to have, you know,
4 a sense of jealousy towards her, you know. Like who wants
5 that kid anyways, you know? But at the same time I loved
6 her so much. I was so protective, you know, because like
7 I'm the oldest, and I, I always felt like I needed to
8 protect them.

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Her and my other
11 sister.

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So you have three --
13 there were three boys in the family and three girls, right?

14 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

15 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So there was one other
16 -- you, Kelly and there was another sister?

17 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, our sister
18 Shaylene (ph), yeah.

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, and you know we
21 were -- actually we were pretty tight, you know. Like
22 we're a close family, you know, but we're pretty, we're
23 pretty dysfunctional but we're always together, you know?

24 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

25 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I kind of felt bad,

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1 like after -- my mom and dad split up we were 19 I think --
2 I was 19. Kelly must have been like -- she must have been
3 like 16 or 14, I don't know. It took -- it took a lot out
4 of her, you know. I kind of feel glad that she tried to
5 look up to me, you know, like to be a comfort to her
6 because my mom kind of fell off and went to, you know, went
7 to a different relative with additions and all that.

8 And then same with me, you know. I started
9 experimenting with, you know, with drugs and drinking and
10 stuff like that. And Kelly was kind of like left, you
11 know? And I don't know how to say it, but you know, she
12 was, she was alone. Her and my younger sister and our
13 brothers. And I still cared but Kelly, you know like she
14 always looked up to me, to me for guidance and to protect
15 her, and I was too, too selfish to take care like really.

16 And then you know when I started doing drugs
17 shortly after, and I don't know, I dummied up. And I got
18 pregnant with my daughter and it was, you know -- since I'm
19 the oldest and my daughter's the first kid of all of us,
20 you know, Kelly just spoiled my daughter, like she just
21 loved her. Kelly was there throughout my pregnancy, you
22 know.

23 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Like we were -- we did
25 everything together, you know? She just had this way of

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1 making you feel like everything's going to be okay, you
2 know. Like, you know -- like she just, she just had this
3 light that wherever she went, you know, she made it okay.
4 She's always been like that, she's always been positive,
5 you know? Even when things, when things were the bleakest
6 she was always still it's okay, you know, God loves us, you
7 know. We're still alive, you know, be thankful we're
8 alive. She kept saying that all the time.

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** That was all she
11 always said is be thankful we're alive. And I loved that
12 about her, you know? That she was so positive you know,
13 looked forward to life and -- and then about, I don't know,
14 I must have been like 23. I, I kind of just separated from
15 my family for a bit, you know, when my daughter was born.
16 You know I'd see my sister -- we kind of drifted apart.
17 Well that was on me, you know. I drifted apart from my
18 sisters and my brothers and my mom. I just stayed away.
19 But then when I came back, you know, I was different, you
20 know? I was like wild and I was bad into my drugs and my
21 alcohol, like alcoholism. And my sister must have been 20
22 at the time.

23 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And I guess, you know
25 my stupidity I started -- when I was doing drugs she looked

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1 at it too, you know. She started experimenting too. And
2 at first, you know, I wanted to say no, you've got to quit
3 you know.

4 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

5 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** No, no, don't do that.
6 But because I was too selfish and so involved in myself and
7 my addictions and all that, I allowed her to follow me in
8 that and I didn't want her to. And that -- because of that
9 too you know, I hold a lot guilt still, you know? Like I
10 can't forgive myself that I was the one that kind of showed
11 her that life, you know? But when we're -- a couple of
12 years later, you know, I just started working the street,
13 you know? That's how badly I got into my addictions and
14 all that. And I hate to say it, but that's how my sister
15 got into that life too, you know. She -- by my example I
16 guess, you know?

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And that makes me feel
19 a lot -- the worst you know? Like she would still be here
20 if I didn't show her, if I wasn't selfish, you know? If I
21 just said -- if I had been the big sister I was supposed to
22 be, you know, and stopped it before it got worse. You know
23 stopped it before it even started. But I don't know, I was
24 just too selfish and too into my own addictions and my own
25 world. You know like -- but we were always together, you

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1 know? And it was always me and her, and we lived --
2 whenever we were homeless together, you know, and we worked
3 the streets together. But we always looked out for each
4 other, you know.

5 And I love our mom and all that, you know,
6 but you know it wasn't always nice you know, living with
7 her, being raised up with her, you know. You know so
8 that's why we were always together, you know. Like my mom
9 would kick her out, or kick me out, you know, we'd be
10 together. But it was -- that's what was kind of -- I feel
11 so bad, but that's what kept me and my sister together, was
12 our, our addiction, you know?

13 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

14 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Like we helped each
15 other, you know. But other than that -- besides being an
16 addict and, you know, a street worker, she was so
17 beautiful, she was so giving and so hopeful. She still
18 looked after my daughter for me, you know. She did
19 everything for my daughter. You know I still had my
20 daughter in my care and all that, and she just had a way of
21 making it better. You know then we'd quit for a bit, you
22 know, and -- like I quit for a bit. And it's because of my
23 sister -- that's how I met my husband, you know. And we've
24 been together -- me and my husband have been together seven
25 years, and we've been legally married, you know, for four

1 years.

2 MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: M'hmm.

3 MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: Yeah, like she's the
4 one that kind of was there to --

5 MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: She introduced you?

6 MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: To introduced us,
7 yeah.

8 MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: Okay.

9 MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: And I'm thankful for
10 that, you know.

11 MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: M'hmm.

12 MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: And then after awhile
13 there, in 2013 before she went missing, I fell off really
14 hard -- I was doing so good. We lived in Vancouver and
15 Calgary. I was away from my family from 2011 to 2013. And
16 I came back from Vancouver in July 2013. We went to my
17 mom's house and she recognized our feet. Because my mom
18 was living in the basement suite, the basement apartment.

19 MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: M'hmm.

20 MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: And we're, we're --
21 the house is, or her apartment, you could see who's coming
22 to the back. And I think she was doing the dishes and she
23 recognized my feet. I don't know how she --

24 MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: Your mom?

25 MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: No, my sister, sorry.

1 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Oh your sister, okay.

2 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, she recognized
3 my feet, and she then recognized my daughter's feet and my
4 husband's feet. She came, she came out and she was the
5 first person to greet us when we came back to Saskatchewan,
6 Regina.

7 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, we were just so
9 happy and we were always together. And she cried, and she
10 told me everything that was happening, you know. Because
11 when I lived in Vancouver and Calgary it was always her
12 that I called every day, you know.

13 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

14 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She called me every
15 day, you know. When I was lonely or, you know, something
16 bad was going on, I would -- you know I would call her.
17 She was kind of like -- you know I just needed to hear her
18 voice because she always made a way -- like no matter what,
19 she always made everything feel better, you know?

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Because of her
22 positiveness. And no matter what was going through her
23 mind she's -- whatever bad's going on, she's still, you
24 know, at least we're alive, you know?

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

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1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Be thankful we're
2 alive, you know. And I still -- it still resonates with
3 me, you know. I keep saying that, I tell my kids that now,
4 you know.

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

6 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Thank goodness we're
7 alive, you know.

8 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Passing down her
9 message, right?

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, just be grateful
11 we're alive, you know?

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

13 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She kept saying that
14 was God's greatest gift to us, you know. And it didn't
15 matter you know, even if we were high, or drunk or, you
16 know, weren't doing right, she always made a way to say
17 thank you God for today, you know.

18 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

19 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She always prayed no
20 matter what state of mind she was in, to thank God, you
21 know. Nobody can tell her, you know, that -- she knew that
22 the person, the one person that loved her the most was God
23 and she always made sure that she said that. Every day
24 she'd thank God.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

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1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Needless to say -- you
2 know I used to get mad at her, you know, when we would be
3 like doing whatever our job, and I was like shut up, don't
4 say that, you know, don't talk about God. But she was like
5 no, don't tell me. She was like I can -- I can say it
6 whenever I want, you know. I said okay, you know, but --

7 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Where do you think she
8 got that strength and that positive spirit? Is it
9 something that maybe was in your family, maybe something
10 that you had?

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I think it was regard
12 from my mom, you know. Like --

13 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Your mom is a strong
14 person?

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She's a strong person,
16 yeah.

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She -- you know like
19 she wasn't a perfect mom and all that, but she tried her
20 very best, you know?

21 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

22 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She was an over-comer,
23 you know? We -- you know we grew up seeing a lot of her
24 struggles, my mom's struggles, you know. But she always
25 made a way. And you know she would -- my mom would -- she

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1 would pray, you know. I think that's where Kelly got that
2 from.

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** My mom was is a very
5 good Christian like that, you know. Like it wasn't all
6 bad, and there was a lot of good too.

7 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, and I wanted to
9 share this side of the story because I know that my family,
10 they disapprove of me saying the other side of this, you
11 know, like the addict side. That, you know, us being
12 street worker side, you know. They don't want us to -- but
13 feel like I need to, you know?

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I need everybody to
16 know that, you know, my sister, she, she was a good person,
17 she loved everybody, but she wouldn't want nobody thinking
18 that she was perfect, you know.

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah.

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She wanted people to
21 love her for who she is, you know?

22 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

23 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Because like she said,
24 God loves me for who I am, you know how I am. And that's
25 how I want, you know?

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1 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah, I do.

2 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I love her, she's the
3 best.

4 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

5 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And, you know, nobody
6 can judge her, judge us, for how we, how we were, you know?
7 Because she wouldn't, she wouldn't have -- she wouldn't
8 stand for it, you know? Anybody who tried to look down on
9 her or say anything about how we lived, you know, she --
10 she's smack her too and tell you what.

11 And then in 2013, you know, I split up with
12 my husband for a bit there, you know. And, and it's like
13 every single time that she takes off, she disappears on my
14 mom and my sister, and you know -- like her, like what
15 she's doing. And then when I take off on my husband and my
16 family life and whatever -- we were always together.

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Like we'd disappear
19 together, you know. We would like disappear for like a
20 week, you know, just me and her, you know. Like yeah, like
21 it was about the drugs and the working the streets and all
22 that, but we were always together. And you know my mom and
23 my sister, everybody you know, they would be calling like
24 where's Kelly, do you know who she's with, you know? Like
25 -- because everybody knew. And then my husband would try

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1 and call my sister Kelly, like where's my wife, you know?

2 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

3 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I know she's with you.
4 Because every time we disappear like that we were always
5 together.

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Right, you always
7 looked out for each other.

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, exactly. And a
9 lot of the guilt and all that is there too. When she
10 disappeared you know, she came to me and -- I was having
11 troubles in my marriage that time, you know. And I told my
12 husband, I said okay I wasn't going to go out no more, I
13 won't -- you know I'm not going to ditch you, you know I
14 was going to quit everything.

15 My sister came you know before she
16 disappeared and I felt bad. And I said no, I can't come
17 with you tonight, I said it was raining. I said I can't, I
18 can't, I said I'm trying to work it out. But I said I'm
19 trying to -- I said why don't you just stay and visit, I
20 said I'll help you. And she's like no, I've got to go.
21 She said like but can you babysit? I said yeah, I'll
22 babysit, I said I'll take the baby. But, you know, where I
23 was staying, it wasn't my house, you know. And the person
24 that owned the house, you know, he said no, you know she's
25 not ditching her kid here. I said well, you know, you're

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1 not going to be watching him, I'm going to be watching her
2 son, you know. But, you know, I felt bad.

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Did Kelly have a son?

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay, so when was
6 that, how old was the baby?

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** [C.] was not even a
8 year old, he was just --

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** In 2013?

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, he was just a
11 baby.

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

13 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** You know she was a
14 good mom though when she disappeared. She always left her
15 baby with, with one of us, you know, like didn't leave him
16 alone, you know?

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I'm [C.]'s godmother,
19 you know.

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah. And my daughter
22 was Kelly's -- Kelly is my daughter's god-mom, that's how
23 we had it. But when she left I couldn't babysit and I felt
24 so bad, you know. And then, and then -- just the last time
25 I seen my sister, you know I felt so bad. I felt so

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1 guilty, you know. It was raining, she's walking down the
2 street, you know, pushing her baby, crying you know. But
3 she looked so lost and she felt so lost, you know. And I
4 said I'm sorry Kelly, you know?

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So she was walking
6 away from your house?

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

8 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah.

9 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** That was September.

10 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Where was she going?

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She probably went out
12 and about. But I think that was like September 20th, or --
13 I forget when she went missing.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** But it's the night she
16 left. But, you know, I was supposed to babysit for her,
17 you know, to watch her kid, you know. And then, and then I
18 don't know, after that I didn't hear from her. And then --
19 you know because I really don't have too much contact with
20 my family really, so when mom and my sister and my brother
21 -- my sister Shaylene, they were calling me and texting me
22 and Facebooking me, you know, where's Kelly, you know?
23 Because I guess, you know, [C.] was there. I said I don't
24 know. I said like I saw her a couple of days ago, a few
25 days ago I said. And they're like quit lying -- everybody

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1 thought I was lying you know, because when she disappeared,
2 you know, they automatically --

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** She was with you.

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She was with me, yeah.

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah.

6 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And I said this time
7 she's not with me, you know. The one time that she wasn't
8 with me. And then, you know, a couple of days went by I
9 guess, and then mom and everybody was stressing, you know
10 like where the heck is Kelly, you know? We thought that,
11 you know -- like they thought that it was like before, you
12 know, when she disappeared, she'd just disappear for a bit
13 you know, and then she's going to show up a couple of days
14 later, you know.

15 Because when she went out -- if we go
16 disappear we were only gone like for three days tops, you
17 know. Three days, four days. But we were always together.
18 And because she wasn't with me, you know everybody's kind
19 of getting worried. And I was even worried too, but not
20 really. I don't know why I wasn't really worried, you
21 know? I said, you know, she's okay, you know she just
22 needs a break, you know.

23 **MS. BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Like I think the day
25 before we found out that, what happened -- my mom and my

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1 brother were stressed out, so I said I'll take Casey I
2 said. So, you know -- so I brought Casey home with me to
3 camp, to spend the night with me. And then when I was
4 putting Casey to bed, it was about ten o'clock at night, I
5 was listening --

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And when was this?

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** September 22nd.

8 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

9 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah. I said -- I was
10 putting him to bed, it was about ten o'clock at night, and
11 we were in the back bedroom. And then we started praying,
12 you know, because Kelly loved to pray. She always said to
13 me, you have my kid pray with him, you know.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** So I started praying.
16 And I don't know why, but I started asking God to protect
17 my family, cover my family in precious blood and I started
18 naming them. And then when I got down to Kelly's name it's
19 like this wave of loneliness overcame me and I just burst
20 out crying, you know? And I don't know why like.

21 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

22 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And I said oh my God,
23 I said I just miss her so bad, you know. Like you know
24 whenever like our family were close, we'd get these
25 feelings when one of us is hurting, or hurt, or something's

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1 wrong, you know. And I think that's what I felt that night
2 I was praying, you know, because I felt lonely for her, you
3 know. Like when I said her name when I was praying. So I
4 prayed for her, I said Lord, wherever my sister is bring
5 her home now, you know.

6 And then -- so I went to bed. It was about
7 two o'clock in the morning -- no, it was three o'clock in
8 the morning. And I was reading and I was sleeping. And my
9 brother Ezekiel, he banged on my door, like banged on my
10 wall, and he yelled at me. He said wake up. I said what,
11 what? He's like Kelly's dead. I said what? I thought I
12 was dreaming that, you know.

13 And then he went into the kitchen -- the
14 living room, and I caught up with him. I was rubbing my
15 eyes, and I grabbed my glasses and I said what? I said did
16 I just hear that right, was my brother just here, you know
17 did he say that, did he really say that? So I got up and
18 opened my door -- my bedroom at the house was in the
19 kitchen, and my brother Ezekiel went to the living room and
20 he was crying. And I said oh, I did hear that, you know.
21 But I said please don't let it be --

22 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Don't joke like that,
23 right?

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah.

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1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** So I went to the
2 living room and he's -- my Auntie Shayla (ph) was holding
3 him, hugging him. And he grabbed me and he started crying,
4 and he started screaming in my place, you know. She's
5 dead, they found her, they came and told us she's dead. I
6 said who? They found Kelly, she's dead. And I said what?
7 You know, just like the shock. And I said as if, I said
8 whatever, I said that's, that's bullshit. I said it can't
9 be, you know. You know I was like we just saw her, you
10 know, a couple of days ago.

11 And then I don't know how, where we got a
12 bloody phone from because none of us had a phone. But then
13 my brother was on the phone with my mom and my mom was
14 crying, and she said get over here, come to the house. I
15 said I've no way, I said I've got Casey. She's like well
16 bring Casey, they're like bring Casey. I said yeah, I said
17 but I've got no way to bring Casey. And then my mom said
18 call -- she's like a cab is coming for you. She said what
19 crisis is paying for your guys' cab, bring Casey. I said
20 okay, you know.

21 Then me and my brother went back to my room
22 and we picked up Casey and we started crying and holding
23 him and -- the baby and him, you know. You know like holy
24 crap, you know, Kelly's gone. You know like it still was
25 unbelievable, you know, this and that.

1 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So it was your mom
2 that -- who got a phone call, right?

3 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I think they got a --
4 I think the police went to her house.

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** To your mom's house?

6 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** My sister's house,
7 Shaylene.

8 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Oh, your sister, okay.

9 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, I'm pretty sure
10 that's how it was, yeah.

11 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

12 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And then they -- then
13 they called my mom, or they talked to my mom. But we all
14 met up at my sister Shaylene's house on Ottawa Street.
15 That's where Kelly was staying at the time, was with our
16 sister.

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah. And then we
19 went there and then everybody crying. I didn't believe it
20 at first, you know? And then that's when -- you know my
21 mom was crying, everybody was crying. For a bit there I
22 couldn't really cry or be anything either because I was the
23 oldest and yeah, I'm supposed to -- you know everybody's
24 like be strong Lena, stay strong for mom, you know, be
25 strong for Casey, you know.

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1 So I really didn't -- like couldn't really
2 cry, you know, or I didn't want to cry sometimes. But then
3 it just, it just stops you know, like when I think about
4 her. You know for the longest time, you know. But I guess
5 after -- after she died, after we found out, you know after
6 the wake and funeral, you know, it's like -- but after we
7 found out she died, that's when it just hit me, you know.
8 If I couldn't cry, if I couldn't grieve for her, you know,
9 if I had to be strong, then I'm going to be strong
10 differently and I need something to help me out.

11 And that's where, you know, I started doing
12 drugs again, you know. I fell off hard, like hard core. I
13 didn't even care about nobody no more, you know. I got so
14 addicted and so -- you know I had to be under the influence
15 of something every day, you know, just to keep from crying,
16 you know. And it was like that for a lot of years, yeah
17 like I had to be on something. And where I was living --
18 what's funny is that it was my Aunt's house.

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** But where was this,
20 this was in Regina?

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah in Regina, yeah.
22 Where I had -- where I was babysitting Casey. Well just
23 before Kelly disappeared there was a couple of houses down,
24 me and Kelly we went and looked at this one apartment.
25 Like it's just a little bachelor suite, just like there's a

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1 kitchen and then there's a room and a little bathroom. And
2 that was for \$700. And then, you know -- like she came
3 with me to go look at that house, and like I was getting
4 that house, you know, just for me and her and our babies,
5 you know?

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** You know because she
8 said she was tired of always being kicked out, and you
9 know, this and that. And I said, I said I promise you, I
10 said if we get this house I said, this little place, it'll
11 be our place. I said even if we get into a heated argument
12 or if we argue, we get mad at each other, I'm not going to
13 say get out, you know leave, you know kick you out. She's
14 like I know you won't, you know. So yeah -- she was with
15 me when I talked to the landlord too. And the day that she
16 died, we were at my mom's house -- or my sister's house the
17 day that -- you know, all the family sitting together. I
18 had a phone call from that landlord --

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** -- and he said yeah,
21 you got the house. And then that's like it broke me, like
22 I said that was supposed to be for me and her, you know.

23 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She wanted that house
25 and I wanted that house, but --

1 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** What happened to the
2 house?

3 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** We got that house.

4 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** You got the house?

5 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Are you still living
7 there?

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah -- no, no, no,
9 I'm not living there, it actually burned down, you know.
10 We only lived there for like a year and then -- that was
11 our very first house in Saskatchewan, you know, like my
12 very first house ever like as an adult. You know I never
13 had my own place. It would have been me and her -- well my
14 first place and her second place, I guess. But we were
15 going to be together. And then the day on her funeral,
16 that's when we paid for our, like our rent and our damage
17 deposit, and we lived there like for the longest time --
18 like for a year, you know?

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** You know I'm staying
21 here because this would have been me and Kelly's house, you
22 know?

23 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** It would have been
25 ours, yeah.

1 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah. But what
2 happened to, what happened to, you know, the day when --you
3 said it was like September 20th, right?

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And she came to -- she
6 obviously had something on her mind when she wanted to go
7 some place, so she was asking you to babysit Casey, right?

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Did she tell you where
10 she --

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** She did?

13 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, she was going to
14 go out and make money. She, she had an addiction too.
15 Yeah that's, that's why I feel guilty, because the
16 addiction that she had, you know she was addicted to
17 morphine, was the addiction that I introduced her to, you
18 know.

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm. So she was
20 going to go do drugs, right?

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

22 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay. And like I know
23 you couldn't babysit her right?

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So she took Casey, but

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1 did she -- where did she go, like how did she end up like
2 afterwards? Like I know she was making -- like she was
3 walking away in the rain and crying.

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And like where was
6 Casey, what happened with him?

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She ended up going to
8 my Aunt's house.

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah. And then from
11 there she just ended up going back to my sister's house and
12 dropping off Casey. I guess, you know, her and my sister
13 and my mom probably talked her into like -- okay, well
14 bring baby back because it was raining, you know?

15 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

16 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** You know like --

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So it was your
18 sister's house, right?

19 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** So you know -- and
22 Casey ended up back over there and that's when she
23 disappeared. But that was the last time I saw her, you
24 know.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah.

1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

2 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** But --

3 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Alive.

4 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** But so -- right. So
5 she ended up at her sister's house. Do they know, like did
6 they -- did your sister or your other family members tell
7 you where did she go, like what did she end up doing? Do
8 they know anything about it? No?

9 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** As far as I know -- I
10 know she probably just left to go and --

11 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Do drugs, yeah.

12 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

13 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And where did they
14 find her, in what state? Did you ever get a police report?

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** No, I never actually
16 saw the police report, I never wanted to find out really,
17 you know. I never did any of that.

18 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** You never wanted to
19 find out what happened, right?

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, I never really
21 wanted to.

22 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So when they told you
23 that she's dead, you have no idea why she was dead?

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah. Like that kind
25 of big -- I kind knew, you know, like what, what may have

1 happened, you know?

2 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** What do you think had
3 happened?

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I knew that it must
5 have been something to do with being on the streets you
6 know, like -- you know because it had happened before to
7 us. You know like -- like you know she just had a lot --
8 you know like kidnapped her, you know, raped and all that,
9 you know?

10 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** It happened before?

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, like it just
12 about happened, you know. Like, you know, this guy tried
13 to do something to her, you know, but she got away, you
14 know. You know like because it happened to me before, you
15 know. Like I just about got, you know -- this guy tried to
16 beat me up and rape me and rob me too, you know. That's
17 when we were always together, you know.

18 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

19 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, but -- and I
20 figured that's what must have happened, you know.

21 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** She was kidnapped you
22 think by someone?

23 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, that's what I
24 thought, you know. It had to have happened on the street,
25 you know.

1 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay. You said --
2 those kidnappings that happened to you, was it recent, like
3 recent prior to her disappearance?

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** No, not recent like
5 prior to her disappearance --

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah, yeah.

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** -- but like within
8 that year, you know.

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Within that year.

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** The summer, you know,
11 between -- yeah, the summertime. Between springtime and
12 summertime I believe, you know.

13 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

14 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** That we were together,
15 you know. Because I came back in July and we were always
16 together for that period, you know.

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** When I was home.

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** You know.

21 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** If you're comfortable
22 talking about it, because I know that you said that you
23 don't want to find out what happened to you.

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** To her, sorry. We

1 don't need to discuss this, but if you --

2 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Can I take a break
3 real quick.

4 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** I need to have a
5 cigarette first.

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah sure. Yes, we
7 can take a break.

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Before I get into --

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Of course. It's 11:57
10 and we're going to take a break at the moment.

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12 -- A BRIEF RECESS AT 11:57 a.m.

13 -- UPON RESUMING AT 12:10 p.m.

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15 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** It is 12:10 on April
16 21st, 2018, and Destiny Goforth and I are about to, are
17 about to resume our statement gathering. And I would like
18 you Destiny, to share your story, and I know that -- I'm
19 sure you've cried a lot.

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** M'hmm.

21 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And like I feel like I
22 have -- you know I know a lot about Destiny -- or sorry.
23 About you for sure, but Kelly --

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** -- and the way how you

1 grew up.

2 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** If you're comfortable,
4 do you mind telling us about some of the things that
5 happened to you, like when you were on the streets and how
6 it might have affected you in terms of like bringing it
7 together? Because it sounds like when you were working in
8 the streets it's -- this is something that also -- like it
9 might have torn you apart as in -- like from, from the kind
10 of work you were doing.

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** M'hmm.

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** But, but it also got
13 you closer.

14 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, yeah it --
15 basically, you know like -- she told me a story that
16 something happened to her, you know, while I was in Calgary
17 and Vancouver.

18 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

19 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** That -- you know that
20 this man tried to, you know, like not pay her, like trying
21 to beat her up, and you know tried to rape her and all
22 that, you know, and that really hurt me, you know. Like
23 that I wasn't there to protect her, you know. So when I
24 got down you know, and I took off on my husband, you know,
25 I started to, you know, resume that life again for a bit

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1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And we lived in
2 Vancouver until about --

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So 2013?

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah 2013, July 2013,
5 that's when we came back.

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So you returned to
7 Regina?

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay. So when -- she
10 confided in you, right?

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** It sounds like
13 something was bothering her?

14 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, she -- you know
15 she was telling me all this and, you know, that what
16 happened to her. And I felt so bad.

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She also, you know,
19 told me about the times, you know, like when she would like
20 get kicked out from my mom's house or my sister's house,
21 you know. She'd end up on the street anyways, you know.

22 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

23 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And I just felt so bad
24 that I didn't protect her, you know, like -- and like if
25 she got kicked out then I was with her, you know. Anyhow,

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1 like I didn't have a place of my own either, I wasn't that
2 good. But you know I tried my best, you know. We were
3 always together though. And then, you know -- like just to
4 -- because I felt like I needed to protect her, you know.

5 **MS. DARIA GOFORTH:** M'hmm.

6 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Like when we were
7 together we'd always spot each other. We call it spotting,
8 you know? You know, I would always like write down the
9 numbers of the car, the make of the car, the licence plate
10 and all that.

11 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Oh okay, yeah.

12 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And stuff like that,
13 you know.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And she would do the
15 same for you?

16 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, exactly yeah.
17 How the man drove, how long we were going.

18 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

19 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** But every time one of
20 us would grab, you know like get picked up, we'd say let's
21 meet at this house. You know there was a certain house
22 that we always disappeared to. I guess we would call it
23 like a drug house, you know.

24 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Or a safe house.

25 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah. Like it was

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1 mostly just a drug house, everybody who loved to do drugs.

2 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

3 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And sell drugs, you
4 know. And that's the house that we would always, you know,
5 disappear to, just me and her. We said let's meet up here,
6 you know.

7 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, that's how we --
9 that's how we worked it for the longest time when we would
10 disappear together. I mean after -- after leaving my
11 husband we got back together, you know just before
12 September. We were actually going to go back -- we were
13 moving back to Vancouver. The end of September we were
14 going to go back. But when my sister went missing I said
15 okay, well we're not going to -- I'll wait to see where she
16 is first, you know, let's just wait, you know. And then we
17 ended up just staying after -- because we found out Kelly
18 died, you know, like she was dead, you know. I can't leave
19 my family, I can't leave my mom, my sister and my brothers,
20 and Casey.

21 Yeah, but after she died you know, I went
22 through this spiral, like downward spiral. Nothing but
23 addiction, you know. I found some way to cope because I
24 didn't want to believe it, you know. It took me awhile
25 because I had a lot of guilt, you know, a lot of

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1 unforgiveness in myself you know, as an older sister, you
2 know. Like I always blamed myself, you know. I always
3 said I should have been there to protect her, you know. I
4 should have went with her, you know. I should have took
5 Casey, and I should have took the baby, you know.

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Because, you know, my
8 last -- my last image of my sister alive was her crying,
9 you know.

10 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And believe me we felt
12 guilty, you know, and for awhile there, you know, me and my
13 family we weren't close, you know. We did a lot of
14 blaming, you know. Like if you didn't do this you know, or
15 she'd be alive. Like there was a lot of that animosity
16 between us, you know?

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** You know like that
19 strain, you know. And you know I just did a lot of alone
20 time. Like I didn't really hang out with my family no more
21 because I guess in a sense I was mad at them too, you know,
22 like at my mom, and my sister and my brothers. Like I
23 don't know, I just blamed myself.

24 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** How do you feel today?

25 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I actually, you know,

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1 I feel a lot better, you know. I forgive myself because --
2 it took me awhile. I think when me and my husband married
3 in 2014, you know like I finally -- April 2014 my husband
4 and I got married. I had a good talk with one of my
5 relatives and told her how I felt, you know. That I felt
6 like I don't even deserve you know like goodness, any
7 goodness in my life, you know. Because, you know, my
8 sister's not here, you know, and I wasn't there to protect
9 her, you know.

10 Like I was at that breaking point where I
11 was just ready to give up everything. I was going to give
12 up my husband, I was going to give up my daughter, you
13 know. I was going to give up everything. Like I thought I
14 didn't deserve because I couldn't protect my sister. How
15 could I protect my daughter?

16 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

17 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** How could I protect,
18 you know, anybody. No, I couldn't do nothing, you know.
19 But she told me that I had to forgive myself, I have to let
20 go, you know.

21 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

22 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** My sister isn't
23 suffering, you know.

24 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** One of your relatives
25 you said, right?

1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, one of my
2 relatives, yeah.

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** It was an Aunt. Yeah,
5 and she prayed with me, you know. And I asked, you know --
6 while I was pregnant I asked Kelly to forgive me, you know,
7 for not protecting her. And I know in my heart of hearts
8 you know, that -- you know she's always so forgiving, you
9 know. Like I could feel her there.

10 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She wouldn't want me
12 to feel like that, you know keep blaming myself, keep
13 hurting myself. So I got clean there for a bit.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah. Do you talk to
15 Casey a lot, like now that like he's growing up, do you
16 talk a lot about his mom and telling him stories about her?

17 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I tell him a little
18 bit of this and that, yeah. He actually thinks I'm his
19 older sister.

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Aww, so your
21 relationship is very close and that sort of thing?

22 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, because -- you
23 know he's being raised by our mom. My mom is his mom too,
24 you know.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

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1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I mean Kelly was his
2 mom, but she's an angel you know. Because he never really
3 -- he doesn't remember her at all.

4 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

5 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, and because --

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Do you have some
7 pictures of her?

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Oh yeah, there's
9 pictures all over. All our house is -- you know there's
10 pictures of Kelly. You know we always remind him, you
11 know, who is mommy was.

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

13 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** But he still thinks,
14 you know, our mom is his mom and I'm his older sister.
15 Yeah, so our relationship isn't like an auntie and nephew,
16 it's a brother and sister.

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Aww.

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** So he's my younger
19 sibling.

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah.

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And he actually calls
22 my husband honey.

23 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Aww.

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Because ever since he
25 could talk he'd hear me and my husband talk -- call each

1 other honey. And then ever since then --

2 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** He calls --

3 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** -- he's always called
4 my husband honey, you know.

5 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah, because that's
6 what you do.

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yes. And he's five
8 and he still says my honey, and I'm not allowed to call
9 anybody else baby brother or baby bro, because he's my only
10 bro. And my son, he's two, he -- when he means on Casey,
11 like means on Casey, you know he comes and tells me. And
12 I'll pretend to scold my son, don't you fight my baby
13 brother, you know. He likes it when we do that to him.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** He's a good kid, and
16 he's a really good boy, you know. And when we feel lonely
17 we just look at him because he looks like Kelly now, you
18 know.

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Does he?

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

21 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Aww.

22 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** He looks like his mom,
23 there's certain looks. He just -- I don't know, it's just
24 I see a lot of Kelly in him.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm. And I notice

1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** It makes me feel
2 proud.

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah. So it's Kelly
4 Nicole Allison.

5 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** I will write it down,
7 awesome. Okay, thank you. Do you recall at the beginning
8 you were telling me that when your parents divorced --

9 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** M'hmm.

10 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** -- were you living on
11 the reserve at that point, or were you already here?

12 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** No, we were already
13 here in Regina.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And that's when you
15 felt like this is -- that things went down the wrong path,
16 right?

17 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, yeah.

18 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And when was it, like
19 what year? Do you remember when you guys --

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I want to say maybe
21 2007.

22 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So it was fairly
23 recent though, right?

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay. And Kelly, how

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1 old was she at that time?

2 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Oh, I was 19.

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Oh, 19 okay.

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, I was 19 so she
5 must have been --

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Seventeen or 16?

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yes, 17 or 16.

8 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Because like figure
9 three years -- you have three years difference?

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** No, Shaylene -- I'm
11 30, my sister Shaylene is 28, Kelly is 26. So there's two
12 years between us. So there was like a four year
13 difference.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, she was like 15,
16 right?

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm. Is there
18 anything else that you would like to share with us, either
19 about Kelly or her son, anything that you feel like?

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I know that, you know,
21 my sister, she -- you know if she were alive, you know,
22 like she -- if she were alive I think things would be
23 different, you know? But at the same time I'm glad that
24 she isn't here to see how the world's, you know, turning
25 out to be, you know. And you know she always had this fear

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1 all her life, she -- you know like we always read in the
2 bible, you know, about the end of the world, and you know
3 the end times and stuff like that. And that was like her
4 major, biggest, biggest fear, you know, that she had to
5 live through, you know. Like live through something like
6 that, you know.

7 And I wonder that -- she's, she's happy, you
8 know? She doesn't have to hear what's going on, you know,
9 now. You know like I don't -- like what's happening with
10 like Trump and Syria and all that, you know stuff like
11 that. That would really freak her out, you know. She was
12 so scared of the end of the world and, you know, I know
13 that God's -- Jesus is coming back soon, you know.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And she didn't want to
16 live through that, you know. And I do believe that when
17 you're too beautiful for this earth God takes you, you
18 know?

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** She was just too
21 beautiful for this world.

22 **MS. DARIS BOYARCHUK:** That's beautiful.
23 Like that's very heartwarming to hear you say that and that
24 shows how much you cared about -- you still care about your
25 sister.

1 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

2 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And so beautiful,
3 thank you.

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** That's basically all I
5 can think of right now.

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Is there anything --
7 like how would you like to commemorate or honour the memory
8 of your sister, how would you like to see her honoured?

9 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** You know I would want
10 other women, you know, that we didn't like that high risk
11 life, whatever, you know? I want -- you know I want them
12 to actually know Kelly's real story and, you know, to show
13 them the dangers, and to recognize the dangers, and to get
14 help, you know, before it's too late, you know. And quit
15 while you can, you know what I mean?

16 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Quit the, the -- like
17 the kind of --

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, the street life,
19 you know?

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** The street life. Do
21 you think if you, that if you and Kelly had the access to
22 those kinds of services at the time, do you think your life
23 would have been different?

24 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yes, exactly.

25 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Is it something that

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1 you feel you didn't have access to?

2 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** M'hmm. If we had more
3 -- like if someone were to actually tell us what exactly
4 happened, you know -- like how would I say it? If we were
5 to actually see or hear other people's survival stories,
6 you know, and you know if we were to talk to them one on
7 one, you know.

8 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm. So you
9 actually think that like if someone -- I'm just giving you
10 -- for example, if you heard my survivor story --

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** -- and you saw that we
13 connected on some sort of -- like on some level, then it
14 would help inspire you to like get out of that, that
15 darkness?

16 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** So this is something
18 that -- it's not just talking to a psychologist or getting
19 health support, it's actually speaking to survivors, right?

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** M'hmm.

21 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** You would be inspired
22 by those?

23 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yes.

24 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Those women?

25 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

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1 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** That's interesting.

2 So did you, did you ever -- like you or Kelly, did you ever
3 seek any sort of access to like health services or anything
4 to -- or like social services?

5 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** There was social
6 services but nothing really for like -- I don't know. Like
7 if we were to ask for help, you know. There was -- like
8 nobody really like helps the -- I guess, you know the
9 street workers. They kind of just fluff us off to the
10 side.

11 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

12 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** But there is a program
13 in Regina, I guess it's called the Street Workers Advocate
14 Program. I think that's what it's called, Project?

15 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Street Workers
16 Project?

17 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I don't know exactly,
18 but it's called SWAP for short, you know. They ride around
19 like --

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** S-W-A-P?

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

22 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

23 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** And --

24 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And what do they do?

25 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** I'm not too sure, but

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1 it's, it's basically for street workers. I guess they go
2 around in a van and, you know, like condoms and the bad day
3 sheets and stuff like that. And they have like some sort
4 of like -- I don't know. I don't have no idea, but
5 especially if I don't really know, you know?

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** But if there was more
8 stuff --

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Is it something new?

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** It's not new, new, but
11 it's only we didn't really know of, you know?

12 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Right, that's what I
13 was going to ask you.

14 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

15 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Was it there when you
16 guys were going through this?

17 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** It was there I guess,
18 but we didn't really like now about that, you know.

19 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah.

20 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** If there was more like
21 -- what do you call that, like attention to it, you know?
22 Like --

23 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Like there was no,
24 there was no advocate right?

25 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, that's it.

1 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** What about the other
2 women that -- I know Kelly was with you. What about other
3 women who were doing the same kind of work, did you ever
4 share your own like fears, or like your -- you wanting to
5 get out of this kind of like -- this kind of life? And
6 like was there any kind of support among the women?

7 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Not really. You know
8 it was basically a dog eat dog world out there, you know.

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm, yeah.

10 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Like you know you
11 really can't trust anybody but yourselves out there, you
12 know. It was just me and Kelly out there, you know?

13 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah.

14 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Especially in the drug
15 world, you know. Nobody really cares and -- but if we were
16 able to, you know, like have access to like the health
17 things for addictions, you know? Like I know if someone
18 were to go to detox, you know there's like a big waiting
19 list because there's not enough room, you know?

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah. Or you know
22 like there's a waiting list for, for -- to get to like
23 rehab and stuff like that. Because I know me and my sister
24 were talking about we would love to have, you know, done
25 that, you know? But, you know, once we tried to reach out

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1 to go to detox, you know, and we were go to rehab. That
2 was our plan, go to rehab.

3 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

4 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** But we got put on a
5 waiting list, you know.

6 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay, so you actually
7 did get put on the waiting list --

8 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah.

9 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** -- but it never came
10 around.

11 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Never came around, you
12 know. I didn't -- after that then there's the --

13 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** How long were you on
14 the waiting list for?

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** They told us two weeks
16 and then after we just didn't bother.

17 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Two weeks?

18 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, they told us we
19 had to wait within the two weeks.

20 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Okay.

21 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** But you know like we
22 didn't even bother trying. You know I wish there was more,
23 more space I guess, you know, because -- you know when
24 someone wants to get clean right then and there, you know,
25 right? When they want -- when they have the will, you

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1 know, and they get told no, there's no room, you've got to
2 wait, you know, come back, well no one's going to wait
3 until --

4 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Exactly.

5 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Because they could
6 switch, you know. I wish there was more like space, you
7 know like --

8 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** M'hmm.

9 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** -- more accommodation
10 you know, like for that, you know?

11 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Yeah, that's
12 unfortunate.

13 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yes.

14 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** It's true.

15 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yeah, that's -- yeah.

16 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Thank you for sharing
17 so much of your personal experience of going through this,
18 but also dealing with like you said, the trauma and -- the
19 trauma of seeing your little sister, and also sharing that
20 part of the story. Because like you said, that your
21 family, or some members of the family, do not approve of
22 this necessarily.

23 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Yes.

24 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** And I just -- I really
25 appreciate you having enough strength to come out here and

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1 like share with us. Thank you.

2 MS. DESTINY GOFORTH: And thank you for
3 listening.

4 MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK: Of course. It's 12:30
5 and we will end our statement here.

6 **MS. DESTINY GOFORTH:** Okay, thank you.

7 **MS. DARIA BOYARCHUK:** Thank you.

8 --- Upon adjourning at 12:30 p.m.

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