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Coquitlam Outreach Worker's Web Search

Changes Course of Client's Love Life Forever...

I'd been working with Jessica for three years. A bunch of guys had come in and out of her life in that time. Some were decent, but many were just taking advantage of her. They wanted sex, and she was more interested in finding friendship, company, and attention. They'd give her these things until they got what they wanted, then they'd disappear.

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We had a lot of talks about different kinds of relationships, and how to tell the ok guys from the users. One day she asked "Why do people even care about sex? I mean, it's kind of gross, but mostly just



Jessica in Millie's Office, 2014

really boring." It caught me off guard, and I reacted as if any one of my other girlfriends had said that. I asked her if she'd ever had an orgasm. She asked what that was. Well, I'd already opened a can of worms so I told her we could look online together for info about it. We found some youtube instructional videos about orgasm and masturbation by a sex educator named Betty Dodson.

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you tell them they have to.”

Most men still didn't stick around for too long, but at least Jessica was enjoying herself more while they were together, now that she had some expectations and was making them clear.

Now she's with Lucas, and it's lasted much longer. Jessica said she could tell he was different because he didn't rush her, and asked her questions about what felt good for her and what didn't. Last week she told me, “he's kind of annoying but at least he's got some skills...”



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Time passed and Jessica still had drama in her love life, but some things started changing. One day she said to me “I get it now. The sex thing - it can feel good. Most guys just don't know how to do that. Or they don't care. Unless