

# **Domestic violence is a crime**



**Easy Read**

# Domestic violence information in Easy Read



This information is about domestic and family violence.



Domestic and family violence means that someone in your home

- Hurts you



- Says or does bad things to you



- Says they will hurt you.



You might feel scared and alone.



It could also be that they hurt someone else in your home or say they will.



This could be another person like a child or a pet.



There are other ways domestic violence happens.



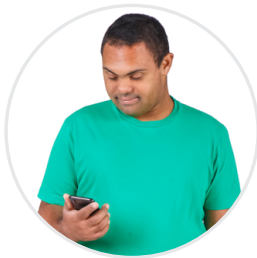
It could be that someone does sexual things to you that you do not want.





It could be that the person controls what you do.

They might



- Check your phone or computer



- Follow you everywhere



- Not let you have your own money



- Not let you follow your religion.

The person who uses violence is often



- A partner or ex-partner



- A family member



- A carer.



Domestic violence can happen to anyone.



It is not your fault if it happens to you.

# Tell the police



Domestic violence is a crime.

A **crime** is something bad that is against the law.



You can tell the police if you know that it happens to someone.



If it is an emergency call the police on **000**.



If it is not an emergency call the police on **131 444**.

## Getting help



You can get help if domestic violence happens to you or someone you know.

## These are some support services that can help you



### NSW Domestic Violence Line

Their number is **1800 65 64 63**.



They support women to

- Find a safe place to stay
- Get information and support

# 1800RESPECT

## 1800 Respect

Their number is **1800 737 732**.



They support anyone who has violence happen to them or to someone they know.



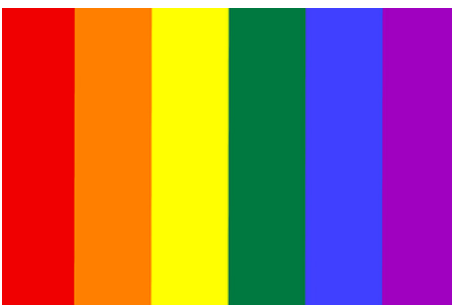
## Say it out loud

Their number is **1800 063 060** or **02 9206 2000**.



You can call them on weekdays from

- 9am to 6pm if you live in NSW
- 9am to 5pm if you live in QLD



They support people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex or queer.





## National Disability Abuse and Neglect Hotline

You can

- Call them on **1800 880 052**
- Email them at **hotline@workfocus.com**



They are open on weekdays from 9am to 6pm.



They support people with disability.



## Translating and Interpreting Service

If you need help in your language you can call the Translating and Interpreting Service.

Their number is **131 450**.



They can help you

- Speak to other services
- Help you understand information.



## National Relay Service

Call the National Relay Service if you have trouble hearing or speaking.



They can help you contact a support service.



For Voice Relay call **1300 555 727**.

For TTY call **133 677**.

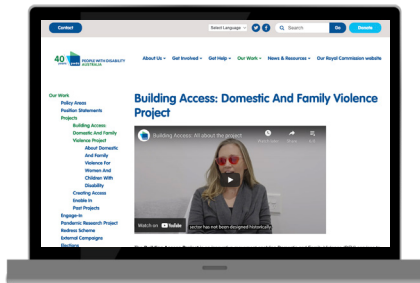
For SMS relay use **0423 677 767**.

People with Disability Australia made books about domestic and family violence.



They are called

- About abuse
- About sexual abuse
- How to report abuse or sexual violence to the police



You can find the books at

**[www.pwd.org.au/our-work/projects/  
building-access](http://www.pwd.org.au/our-work/projects/building-access)**

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