

WHAT CAN WE DO?

Tell everybody the message.....

'FAMILY VIOLENCE IS A CRIME' PREVENTING AND/OR STOPPING IT IS A COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY

*There are laws regarding family violence in Tasmania. Under the Safe at Home legislation, there is now more that police can do to ensure your safety and the safety of your children.

*Phone the Police on 000 if you are concerned for your safety or someone else's safety. Police have a duty to protect people from further violence.

*Re-inforce with others the fact that the responsibility for violence rests with the offender, **not** the victim.

*Any person who uses any form of family violence is breaking the law. It makes no difference if the person is your partner or a family member. You and your children have the right to be safe.

*If you are violent, STOP - nothing justifies your choice to use violence. Seek help and support when making this change.

*We all share the responsibility of breaking the silence and exposing the myths Nobody deserves violence, no matter what!

In an emergency ring the Police on 000

INFORMATION

Huon Domestic Violence Service	6264 2222
Family Violence Counselling & Support Service (Free Call)	1800 608 122
Children & Young Person's Program	6233 6981
Family Violence Response & Referral Line (Free Call)	1800 633 937
Court Support & Liaison Service	1300 663 773
S.H.E. (telephone counselling)	6278 9090
Centacare - Specialised Domestic Violence Service	6278 1660
Legal Aid state wide telephone service (interpreter available)	1300 366 611
Aboriginal Legal Service	6234 0700
Shelters - Jireh House	6229 3750
McCombe House	6228 1099
Annie Kenney (for young women)	6272 7751
Hobart Womens Shelter	6234 6323
Kids Helpline (Free Call)	1800 551 800
Lifeline (Anyone, Anytime, Any day)	131 114

THERE'S NO PLACE...



FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

THE HUON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICE: -

part of GeCo - Geeston Community Centre

Ph: 6264 2222

A COMMONWEALTH/STATE FUNDED SERVICE

**HUON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
SERVICE (HDVS)**

Phone (03) 6264 2222

email: huondv@netspace.net.au

**Workers can be contacted
Monday to Friday 9am-5pm**

**The HDVS is a free & confidential service that
provides support & help with:**

- Accurate information which will assist you to make the choice which best suits you
- The Court process
- Getting Legal advice
- Family Violence Orders
- Finding a safe place to stay
- Government Departments (e.g. housing)
- Transport
- Referral to other services
- Short and long term recovery and support

⇒ **The service is able to meet people
either in their own homes, or at a safe and
convenient place**

**The service can also speak to Community groups
and other Huon Valley Services**

AM I EXPERIENCING FAMILY VIOLENCE?

DOES YOUR PARTNER....

- Push, slap, hit, punch, bite or in any way threaten to hurt you, your children, your family or your pets?
- Frighten you by damaging the house, the furniture or other property?
- Constantly put you down or verbally abuse you?
- Control and monitor where you go, what you do or who you see?
- Make you have sex against your will?
- Stop you having necessary money, food, shelter or medical care?
- Criticise your culture and/or prevent you from practising your religious/spiritual beliefs.

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, then you are experiencing family violence. You are not alone, many relationships experience family violence. No-one has the right to treat you like this.

Family violence is a crime.