

For Urgent Assistance Contact Police 000

Crisis Support Information & Counselling

DV Connect (24hr)	1800 811 811
Sexual Assault Helpline (24hr)	1800 010 120
Lifeline (24hr)	13 11 14
Parent line (24hr)	1300 301 300
Immigrant Women's Support Service	07 3846 3490

Magistrates Courts – Protection Orders

Maroochydore	07 5470 8011
Caloundra	07 5420 9000
Noosa	075473 8400
Nambour	07 5470 8755
Gympie	07 5480 5488

Legal Information & Advice

Legal Aid	1300 651 188
Women's Legal Services	1800 677 278
	07 3392 0670
Sunshine Coast Legal Service	07 5443 7827

Police Prosecutions

Maroochydore	07 5430 9900
Gympie	07 5483 7640
	07 5480 1066
	07 5480 1078
Noosa	07 5440 8126

Child contact

Arrangements

Harmony House	07 5479 6971
Family Relationship Centre	07 5452 9700
Lifeline Family Dispute Resolution	07 5479 1600

Pet Refuge is available via

DV Connect	1800 811 811
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Our vision

Leading social change, strengthening families,
Supporting people and communities
In the spirit of the Gospel

We value

- Human dignity • respect for the individual
- justice and equity • working together
- interdependence and community
- transparency and accountability • diversity



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Regional Domestic & Family Violence Services is managed by:

Centacare Family and Community Services

We provide services across the Sunshine Coast

Counselling is by Appointment Only

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Sunshine Coast Regional Domestic and Family Violence Service

“Never think
your partner’s
violence and
abuse is your
fault.”

**Domestic and Family
Violence affects everyone**



family & relationship services

community services

What Does SCOPE Offer?

SCOPE (Suncoast Cooloola Outreach Prevention and Education) has been established to reduce the occurrence and impact of domestic and family violence and to achieve safer communities through prevention and early intervention. We provide services from Gympie to Caloundra and the hinterland. Services include:

- Domestic and family violence court support
- Outreach counselling, information and referral
- Community education and awareness
- Women on The Move – group work for women affected by domestic and family violence
- Police assisted referrals – ‘Support Link’
- Changing Gears – Men’s Behavioural Change Group Program
- Safety Upgrades Program – keeping women safe in their homes

Other services Centacare provides are:

- Early Intervention Service – counselling, education & training
- Relationship Education
- Adolescent Mediation Family Therapy
- General Counselling

What is Domestic & Family Violence?

Domestic and family violence is abusive and violent behaviour used by one person to control and dominate another person within a domestic or family relationship.

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In QLD domestic and family violence is defined by the Domestic and Family Violence Protection Act 2012 Legislation and include:

- Intimate Personal Relationship (can include same sex relationship)
- Family Relationship
- Informal Care Relationship

Forms of Domestic & Family Violence

Physical abuse includes pushing, shoving, slapping, hitting or threats to hurt you or your relatives, friends, damaging property or harming pets.

Sexual Abuse includes being pressured into any level of sexual contact.

Social abuse includes controlling where, when and for how long you go anywhere, not allowing you to have contact with family or friends.

Financial abuse includes not allowing you equal access to your own or joint funds, as well as coercing you to signing legal documents.

Emotional and verbal abuse includes anything that makes you feel worthless, such as shouting, name calling, swearing at you and constant criticism.

Spiritual Abuse includes forcing you to attend religious activities against your wishes, or prohibiting you from practising the religion of your choice.

Stalking Behaviour includes constantly following you, contacting you, watching you and waiting for you outside your home or workplace.

Technology abuse includes hacking into your personal email or social network account, posting online abusive statements, explicit and implicit threats or images of you without your consent. It also includes GPS tracking devices, spyware and hidden recording devices.

Important Information

Domestic & family violence is about the misuse of power. It occurs when one person in a relationship uses violence and abuse to dominate the other person in any way and causes a person to fear for their personal safety and wellbeing.

You are not alone

- You are not to blame for your partner’s violence
- You have the right to be safe
- You have a right to a life free of violence
- Incidents of domestic and family violence are not always reported
- Children suffer deep emotional harm when domestic and family violence is part of their life
- Children are very good at detecting tension and fear between the people important to them.

Safety Plan

Leaving can be the most dangerous time. Be prepared. Seek legal advice or talk to someone about your options.

Are you in danger?

- **Call Police - 000**
- **DV Connect – Women’s Domestic Violence Line**
Phone: 1800 811 811 (24/7)
- **Men’s DV Connect - Men’s Domestic Violence Line - 1800 600 636 (Mon-Fri 10am – 6pm)**

Please contact Centacare for more information
Phone: 07 5430 9300