

# CREATING SAFER COMMUNITIES



## Partnerships for Family Safety

Communicare Partnerships for Family Safety (PFS) is a support and referral service attached to Communicare's domestic violence support services.

We aim to support the partners, ex-partners and other family members affected by the actions of individuals involved in the Communicare Breathing Space and other family and domestic violence men's behaviour change programs provided by Communicare.

## HOW COMMUNICARE PFS CAN HELP

At one time or another, many families and partners are affected by violence or abuse from somebody they have been involved with, or somebody in their family.

This can include physical violence, emotional abuse, social isolation, financial control and other behaviors that are harmful to physical and emotional wellbeing. The effects and impact of domestic violence and abuse can be diverse and lasting, and can often be difficult to work through without support.

Communicare PFS supports women to be empowered in their lives and helps them make connections in their community.

### SERVICES:

- Ongoing phone support
- Information
- Safety planning
- Referral to appropriate women's services for advocacy, case management and support
- Referral to specialist counselling, including domestic violence and children's counselling
- Support with accessing victim services.

### CRISIS CONTACT NUMBERS

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Police Emergency         | 000                    |
| Police Communication     | 131 444                |
| Crisis Care              | 1800 199 008           |
| Women's DV Helpline      | 08 9223 1188           |
|                          | 1800 007 339 (Country) |
| Women's Law Centre of WA | 08 9272 8800           |
|                          | 1800 625 122 (Country) |
| Legal Aid Info Line      | 1300 650 579           |

### CONTACT US

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## WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE BREATHING SPACE DV OUTREACH PROGRAM:

- A quality, confidential and respectful service;
- A plan developed with you that supports you to make decisions that are best for you and your family;
- Referral and links to services and programs that fit your circumstances and needs and;
- Help in gaining an understanding of your part in the cycle of violence and in taking responsibility for your violence and abuse.

## WHAT NEXT?

Men who are willing and ready to make a change to their abusive behaviour may join the Communicare Breathing Space DV Outreach Program by contacting Communicare directly on (08) 9439 5707 or by being referred by another support agency.

Communicare is a dynamic not-for-profit organisation that genuinely cares.

Our philosophy is to provide hope and opportunity for people, by providing innovative services and advocacy to enhance social and economic inclusion.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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