#### **SUPPORT SERVICES**

Communicare Tuart House	08 9752 2785
Communicare Breathing Space	08 9439 5707
Communicare Connect and Respect	08 9251 5777
Partnerships for Family Safety	08 9752 2785
Crisis Care	1800 199 008
Police Assistance	13 14 44 or 000
Womens Domestic Violence Line	1800 007 339
Mens Domestic Violence Line	1800 000 599
Rural Link (Mental Health)	1800 552 002
Waratah Domestic Violence Service	1800 737 732
South West Aboriginal Medical Service	1800 779 000
Lifeline Australia	13 11 14



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#### ABOUT US

Communicare was established in 1977 and has developed into a dynamic not-for-profit organisation with an enduring reputation as a community organisation that genuinely cares.

Our aspiration is to create strong, safe and inclusive communities with the purpose of inspiring and empowering people to live a life of their choice.

Our philosophy is to provide hope and opportunity for people and, over the years we have distinguished ourselves as a provider and innovator of services as well as an advocate to enhance social and economic inclusion.

Our two pillars of core business – community inclusion and community safety – form the foundations of our diverse service portfolio of Children's, Family, Settlement, Education & Training, Employment and Family Violence & Justice Services.

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### CREATING FUTURES



## CREATING SAFER FUTURES FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN



## Women's Support Services

# **COMMUNICARE**



#### **COMMUNICARE TUART HOUSE**

Communicare Tuart House aims to enhance the safety of both single women and women with children through emergency accommodation, case management, advocacy, outreach and therapeutic support.

Our regional WA accommodation and support service is staffed and operational 24 hours a day, 365 days per year. We can accommodate up to six women, with or without accompanying children, who, as a result of family and domestic violence or other crisis, are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless.

Communicare Tuart House is a safe environment for women and their children, allowing them to be empowered and rebuild their lives.

### WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

Family and Domestic Violence (FDV) is a form of violence that happens in the home environment between family and intimate relationships. It is one person maintaining control over the other.

The types of abuse that may occur, include:

- Physical
- Sexual Verbal Emotional
- Social
- Spiritual
- Financial

Any type of abuse is never acceptable, if your family or partner display any of the behaviours above then Communicare Tuart House can support you.

#### **HOW DO I APPLY?**

Women, with or without accompanying children, can access the Communicare Tuart House program by self-referral or referrals from other support agencies.

When contact is made:

- An initial assessment will be completed by phone.
- If staff are not available to assess you immediately, they will provide a time frame to contact you.
- If your referral is successful, staff will support you in getting to Communicare Tuart House safely.

### **HOW CAN TUART HOUSE HELP?**

#### We can provide the following:

- Offer safe accommodation with a 24 hour service.
- Provide safety and risk assessments as well Victim Support.
- Provide 24 hour crisis support.
- Provide individual case management and confidential support.
- Provide referrals for both women and children into provide referrals for both women and children to local services, and the community.
- Offer a phone outreach service to women and children who would like ongoing support but are not accommodated at Tuart House.

#### THERAPEUTIC GROUP PROGRAM

Our Therapeutic Group Program educates women about family and domestic violence. It also builds on their knowledge and skills to ensure they are supported to achieve sustainable positive outcomes, for themselves and their children, to plan for their future.