

## Our plan to stop family violence

**Victorian Government** 





### Help with this book



You can get someone to help you

- understand this book
- find more information.

# We acknowledge the First Nations people



**First Nations** people are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



**Acknowledge** means we understand that the First Nations people were the first people to live here.

### **About this book**



This book is from the Victorian Government.



This book is about how we will help stop family violence in Victoria.

Family violence is when someone hurts another person in their family.



Some topics in this book might make you feel bad or upset.



If you feel bad or upset you can talk to someone you trust.



If you are in danger now, call triple zero.

Call 000

## What is family violence?

Family violence is when someone in your family tries to

• hurt you



• control you.







## What can be family violence?



A person might

hit you



stop you seeing friends and family



 say something bad will happen if you do not do what they say



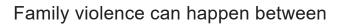
• **not** let you have your own money.

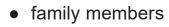


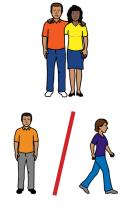
Family violence is **never** ok.

## Who might use family violence?







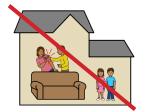


- partners
- ex partners



- a step family, for example
  - your mum's partner
  - your dad's partner
  - their children.





We want everyone in Victoria to be safe from family violence.



We will support you no matter

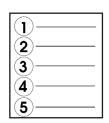
• where you come from



• what language you speak



what your ability is.



We have 5 **goals** in our plan.

Goals are things we will try to make happen.



You can tell us what you think about our goals.

# 1 We want family violence to happen less



We want everyone in Victoria to help us stop family violence.



Many people who use family violence are men and boys.



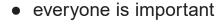
We will talk to men and boys in Victoria about violence.



We will talk about **respect**.



Respect means people understand that





we should be kind to everyone



• we should **not** hurt other people.

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Young people are children and teenagers.



We will support young people who experience family violence.



We will support young people who use violence to stop.



We will

teach young people that family violence is
never ok



• help young people when they are hurt.

## 3 We will support victims



**Victims** are people who experience family violence.



We will support victims who need help fast because

• someone is hurting them



• they need a safe place to stay.



We will get more workers to give good support.



#### We will keep up with changes 4

We will find new ways to stop family violence.



For example, we will use technology to

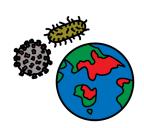
support victims



• teach people about family violence



• stop people from using technology to hurt others.



We will be ready to support in a **crisis**.

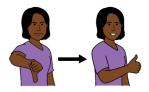
A crisis can be something like Covid lockdown.

## 5 We will check on our plan



We need to make sure our plan is working.

We will show how our plan helps people in Victoria.



We want people to help us make our work better.

## How we will work with First Nations people

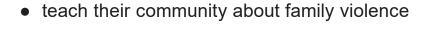
We want First Nations people in Victoria to help us stop family violence.



We will support First Nations people to be in charge of services for First Nations victims.



We will support First Nations people to be in charge of ways to





• stop family violence.

### More information



For more information contact the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing.



Call 1300 475 170

You can tell us what you think about our plan before February 4 2024.



Website

engage.vic.gov.au/endfamilyviolence

#### 1800RESPECT

This service will help you for free if family violence happens to you.



You can call any time night or day.



Call 1800 737 732



Website <u>1800respect.org.au</u>

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Website <u>accesshub.gov.au/nrs-helpdesk</u>

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