Family violence is any violent, threatening, coercive or controlling behaviour that occurs in current or past family, domestic or intimate relationships. Family violence can happen to any and all people regardless of gender, sexuality, age, income, culture, ability.

Someone who is experiencing family violence may experience one or multiple types of violence, such as:

- physical abuse
- controlling or dominating behaviour
- spiritual or religious abuse
- stalking
- emotional or psychological abuse
- intimidation or threats
- verbal abuse
- financial abuse
- social abuse
- sexual abuse
- reproductive coercion
- damage to property.

Monash University is committed to supporting students and staff who experience family violence.

What can I do?

Ensure safety
If you believe there is an immediate risk to yourself or another person, call:

- 03 9905 3333 for Security on campus
- 000 for an emergency off campus

Seek advice
You can seek confidential advice from Safer Community Unit. We’ll help to:

- keep you safe
- connect you with the most appropriate support services for your situation
- give you information on your formal reporting options so that you can make decisions that are right for you
- assist you with the reporting process, if you decide to make a formal report

How do I help someone else?
If someone you know has experienced family violence, you should encourage them to discuss the matter with Safer Community Unit, who can provide them with information, advice and support specific to their circumstances.

Safer Community Unit can also provide advice for you to pass on, and they can also help you with any support you may need.

For more information:

- visit monash.edu/safety
- download the Monash bSafe app from the Apple or Google Play stores
## On Campus

### Respond

**Security Services**
For emergency assistance on campus, or to request a security escort.
- 03 9905 3333 (emergency)
- 03 9902 7777 (non-urgent)

### Report

**Safer Community Unit**
Your key point of enquiry, support and response to concerning, threatening or inappropriate behaviour.
- 03 9905 1599
- safercommunity@monash.edu
- monash.edu/safety

### Support

**Monash Counselling**
Health and counselling services, programs and resources to keep you healthy in mind and body.
- 03 9905 3020
  - 1300 788 336 (student 24/7 counselling)
  - 1300 360 364 (staff 24/7 counselling)
- monash.edu/health/counselling

## Off Campus

### Respond

**Police**
For an emergency response:
- 000

### Report

**Police Assistance Line and Online Reporting**
To report non-urgent crime 24/7.
- 131 444

**Crime Stoppers**
To anonymously report criminal behaviour or suspicious activity.
- 1800 333 000

### Support

**The Orange Door - Inner East Melbourne**
Services to support people who experience family violence.
- 1800 354 322

**South Eastern Centre against Sexual Assault and Family Violence (SECASA)**
Counselling for victim/survivors of sexual assault and sexual harassment.
- 03 9594 2289

**1800 RESPECT**
24/7 information, counselling and support for people impacted by sexual assault, family violence and abuse.
- 1800 737 732

**Safe Steps**
24/7 family violence response phone line.
- 1800 015 188

**Victims of Crime**
Information, advice and support to help you manage the effects of crime and guide you through the legal process.
- 1800 819 817