Important Phone Numbers

Kempsey Women's Refuge:

Ph: 6560 1505

Email: kwr@samaritans.org.au

Referrals:kempseyreferrals@samaritans.org.au

Postal:PO BOX 3229 West Kempsey 2440

Web: www.samaritans.org.au

Domestic Violence Hotline

Ph: 1800 65 64 63 (24 hour support and referral service)

Samaritans Community Hub Ph: 6560 1500

Local Contacts

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer Ph: 6561 6199! **Community Partnership Against Domestic & Family**

Violence Ph: 6561 6148

Domestic Violence Legal Advice Ph: 1800 810 784

DV Liason Officer Ph: 6561 6199

Immigration Ph: 13 18 81

Kempsey Family Support Ph: 6563 1588

Law Access Ph: 1300 888 529 Legal Services Ph: 6562 6155

Lifeline Ph: 13 11 14

Link2Home Ph: 1800 152 152

Many Rivers Family Violence Prevention Ph: 6562 5856

Neighbourhood Centre Ph: 6562 8300 NSW Rape Crisis Line Ph: 1800 424 017 Staying Home Leaving Violence Ph: 6562 2272 Wirringa Baiya Legal Centre Ph: 1800 686 578

Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Service

(WDVCAS) Ph: 6563 1479 YP Space Ph: 6563 1230

1800 Respect-24/7 Counselling Ph: 1300 224 636



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respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Aboriginal Australia.



Kempsey Women's Refuge

Confidentiality, Support, Advocacy and Understanding



The Kempsey Women's Refuge provides short term crisis accommodation and outreach to women and their children. The refuge is staffed only by women to provide support for women and their children experiencing domestic violence.

Our refuge is accessible to all women regardless of age, ethnicity and sexual preference. Kempsey Women's Refuge offers the following services:

- Information and advice
- Advocacy
- **Emotional** support
- Outreach to clients
- Referrals (including Legal Referrals)
- Assistance with Centrelink and other services



Samaritans would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay our





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The Kempsey Women's Refuge assists women and women with children, who have experienced or are experiencing domestic violence. Domestic violence takes many forms.

Domestic violence can be:

- Physical: this includes hitting, pushing, the use of weapons, intimidation or threats to you, your children and your pets
- Sexual: being forced to have sex, rape, refusing to accept 'no', being forced to watch pornography
- Social: being stopped from seeing your family and friends or being isolated geographically or socially
- Psychological: all threats of violence, emotional, spiritual as well as verbal abuse which is threatening, criticising, insulting or degrading.
- Economic: having no access to or control over money

Everyone's circumstances are different. We understand that you may feel that you have no option but to leave suddenly to ensure the safety of yourself and your children. However, if you do have time we suggest you pack the following:

- Medicare card
- Certificates: birth and marriage
- Banking Information
- Medication and prescriptions
- Passport and any other important papers such as Immigration papers and Will
- Clothes
- Photos and personal items
- Your children's favourite toys
- Anything else that is special or valuable