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Welcome to Harbour



Navigating Change

**Lighting The Way To a
Brighter Future”**



Every year, Harbour assists
over **1,200** women and
children experiencing
Family and Domestic
Violence.

**YOUR SUPPORT CAN MAKE
A DIFFERENCE!**

What is Family and Domestic Violence?

Family and Domestic Violence (FDV) is a pervasive issue that includes physical, emotional, psychological, and financial abuse within intimate and familial relationships. It is a pattern of behaviour aimed at gaining power and control over a partner or family member. This violence often occurs behind closed doors, making it a hidden but devastating issue that affects individuals, families, and communities.

Our Story

Our story begins in 1989 when a house in East Bunbury became the first safe haven for South West Refuge, offering short-term crisis accommodation for women and children escaping Family and Domestic Violence. A group of volunteers prepared and painted the house in readiness to receive clients, and a team of dedicated women, along with a childcare worker, provided advocacy and support. Over the years, we have expanded our reach across the South West including purpose-built Refuges, a Safe at Home program, Mobile Outreach, Financial Counselling and Transitional homes providing short term, safe accommodation. In 2023, we rebranded as Harbour Refuge and Support Services, reflecting our transformative shift and expansion of services.





Our Impact

Harbour is committed to providing support to women, including those with children, who are affected by Family and Domestic Violence. We provide services that protect them from harm and homelessness to ensure all women and children can live free from abuse.

Vision

A world where all women and children live free from Family and Domestic Violence.



Mission

To provide comprehensive support, safety & resources for women & children affected by Family and Domestic Violence. Fostering recovery through empowerment and self-determination.



About Us

At Harbour, we embrace a set of core values that form the foundation of our commitment to transforming lives affected by domestic abuse. These values include:

Healing: Recovery through counselling, practical support and legal advice.

Advocacy: Emergency relief, access to crisis payments, and links to housing support.

Resilience: Education and awareness to rebuild personal capacity.

Belonging: Restoring connections after isolation from family and community.

Optimism: A future without violence, supported by our specialized team.

Upliftment: Building self-confidence and self-care.

Responsibility: Self Determining your new life journeys.

Who We Are

We are fortunate to have a dynamic and dedicated leadership team at Harbour, all committed to steering our mission of providing comprehensive support, recovery, safety & resources for women & children affected by Domestic Violence. Our Board Members, Executive Team and staff, collectively bring a wealth of expertise and passion to guide Harbour on its transformative journey.

Their collective commitment ensures that Harbour offers not only refuge but also a pathway to healing, resilience, and empowerment. Get to know the faces behind Harbour's impactful work, driving positive change in our community.

Our Leadership Team

Meet our skilled & compassionate Board Members and Executive Team



Nerida Pickup

Board Chairperson

With over 35 years in finance and business banking, Nerida is crucial to the Refuge's financial management. Nerida also contributes to community fundraising and runs Governance Workshops, offering valuable skills and experience to Harbour Refuge and Support Services.



Krystal Laurentsich

Vice Chairperson

Krystal Laurentsich has over 30 years' experience in the health and community services sectors. She has 18 years in Executive roles and 13 in CEO roles. She is currently the CEO of Primary Healthcare organisation Oseca Health. Krystal has qualifications in public health, nursing, clinical governance degree & health service management.



Carina Roney

Treasurer

Carina Roney brings 30 years of expertise in tax law, accounting, and finance. A Chartered Accountant and member of CAANZ, she holds a Bachelor of Commerce and a Master's in Applied Finance. Her extensive skill set includes contract reviews, negotiation, research, financial risk assessment and government submissions.



Martina Aitken

Secretary

Martina Aitken is a values driven strategic programs and partnerships lead in the public sector with more than 20 years of service across affordable housing, asset management, biosecurity, and community development. Her work reflects a thoughtful balance of operational excellence, community impact, genuine dedication to improving lives.



Shae Phillips

Board Member

Shae Phillips has spent most of her career working in the community service sector, often with community and groups who are going through change and need support through challenges in life, such as disability, housing stress, relationship struggles and other factors.

She holds a strong governance and risk mitigation experience. Qualifications in human resource management, social science, education, leadership & comms.



Maria Scott

Board Member

Maria is a lawyer and has years of experience as a senior manager in health regulation and professional conduct investigations. She has a strong commitment to social justice. She provided legal assistance to victim survivors of family violence while working with local community legal centre. Maria has strong communication skills and has published work well as presenting regular to large groups as part of work.



Craig Durkee

Board Member

Craig Durkee is an experienced operations and safety leader. As a proud contributor to indigenous business through Bunji Australia PTY LTD. He brings a strong understanding of governance, compliance, and strategic management. Craig is committed to promoting inclusion, continuous improvement, and community wellbeing through effective leadership and collaboration.



Sonja Cahill

Board Member

Sonja joined the Harbour Board in 2025. She is the CEO of Milligan a local community organisation and a Board Member of Bunbury Catholic College and Linkwest.

Sonja is committed to fostering collaboration, knowing that we are always stronger together and believes that real impact comes from working in partnership, driving systemic change, and challenging the status quo to create lasting improvements in our communities.

Sonja brings skills of governance, planning, finance, grant writing and networking.



Ali White

Chief Executive Officer

Ali commenced as CEO of South West Refuge Inc in January 2020 and has held previous CEO and Senior Management positions across health, housing, aged care, disability, mental health, unemployment and social enterprises. She holds academic qualifications in Nursing, an MBA and a Diploma of Governance.



Maggie Simms

Crisis Accommodation Manager

Maggie is an experienced Social Worker who has held senior positions across Domestic Violence, Mental Health, Drug and Alcohol Counselling, Child Witness and Victim Support Services both in Victoria and Bunbury. Maggie's experience has developed over many years of frontline service, engaging and supporting vulnerable individuals. As Crisis Accommodation Manager Maggie brings strong clinical governance, risk management and theoretical expertise to the role in supporting the team of Advocates in their work on the frontline.

“Living a life without violence is both possible and a fundamental human right.”

--- Ali White ---

Our Services

Our model of service delivery is underpinned by a client-led case management approach including case planning, goal setting, celebrating achievements, and milestones by meeting weekly or fortnightly depending on the level of intensity of support you may need. Our Services are listed below:



Crisis Accommodation

Harbour offers crisis accommodation for women and children fleeing family and domestic violence. Our secure accommodation provides 24/7 support, and access to essential resources.

refuge@harbour.org.au



Safe at Home

Harbour's Safe at Home Service provides practical and emotional support to women remaining in the family home after the perpetrator of violence is no longer living there. Our team offers security audits, safety planning, and resources to help you reclaim your sense of security.

sah@harbour.org.au



Mobile Outreach Service

Harbour's Mobile Outreach Service brings safety and support directly to you. Our team offers information, advocacy, and resources to women and children experiencing family and domestic violence across the South West region of WA.

dvotreach@harbour.org.au



Financial Counselling

Harbour's free financial counselling service is here to help all Harbour clients. We provide non-judgmental support, advocacy, and resources to address your financial needs and rebuild your independence.

finance@harbour.org.au



Trauma, Drug & Alcohol Counselling

Harbour offers free counselling services to all Harbour clients to support your journey towards healing. Our compassionate counsellors provide confidential support, access to resources, and personalized treatment plans.

admin@harbour.org.au



Transitional Housing:

Harbour's Transitional Housing program offers short to medium-stay accommodation for women and children living in the south west region of WA. Our fully equipped homes provide intensive case management support as you work towards independence.

admin@harbour.org.au



Child Advocacy

Children affected by family violence need support too. Harbour's Child Advocacy program provides weekday support for families within our refuge. Our dedicated Child Advocate offers liaison with schools, health services, and protective education to help children heal and thrive.

childadvocacy@harbour.org.au



Emergency Relief

Harbour's Emergency Relief program offers immediate assistance to Harbour women and children in crisis. From securing food and medicine to addressing transportation needs, we provide essential support until you can access other resources.

refuge@harbour.org.au

Why your support matters

Many of the women and children who arrive on our doorstep have very little in the way of personal belongings and not many have access to funds. The funds have either been withdrawn or blocked or as in many cases, they were never given access to the funds. As they usually leave in a hurry, they are distressed, traumatised, sometimes physically hurt. All of them are terrified about what is going to happen to them and their children in the coming weeks and months.

How Your Support Helps:



Monetary Donations:

Enables us to provide essential items like food, clothing, medicine, and school supplies for women and children arriving with nothing.



Material Donations:

High-quality clothing, non-perishable food, unopened toiletries, and school supplies are always needed.



Services Donations:

Offer your expertise in maintenance, gardening, exercise classes, or skills training to help survivors rebuild their lives.



Partnering Opportunities:

Corporate giving programs, volunteering days, fundraising events, and donations of goods or services. Talk to us about supporting or educating your workforce about family and domestic violence.

How to Get Involved

By partnering with Harbour, you'll not only help provide immediate safety and support but also be a vital part of the long-term solutions that break the cycle of violence. Your contribution will directly impact lives, creating a ripple effect of positive change in our community.

Housing Hope

Join Harbour in providing safe and supportive homes for FDV survivors. We'll connect you with ideal tenants, ensuring responsible and respectful occupancy. Harbour has an exceptional reputation as a housing provider and has a number of long-term leases in place with private homeowners.

Transform Lives with your Donation

Harbour relies on the generosity of individuals like you who can make a meaningful impact on women and children escaping violence at the most distressing time of their lives. We are grateful for Monetary Donations, Material Donations or Donations of any form of Services.

Partner with Us

Partnering with Harbour can be a rewarding experience for you and your workforce. There are many ways to partner with Harbour such as holding an annual Fundraiser, Corporate Volunteering days, a Corporate Giving program or Education for your workforce.



How to Get Involved:

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Financial Donations

Make a one-time or recurring financial contribution to support our programs and services.

Benefits to Your Organisation:

Acknowledgment in our annual report and on our website.

Recognition in our social media channels and newsletters.

Tax-deductible benefits for your donations.

Invitations to Harbour events and networking opportunities.



Harbour Events

Sponsor one of our events and community initiative aimed at raising awareness and funds.

Benefits to Your Organisation:

- Brand visibility with event signage and promotional materials.
- Media coverage and mentions in event-related press releases.
- Complimentary entries to participate in the event, offering a great team-building experience.
- Social media promotion highlighting your support.





Vehicle Sponsorship

Fund the purchase or maintenance of a vehicle used for our outreach and support services.

Benefits to Your Organisation:

- Company logo displayed on the sponsored vehicle.
- Media coverage and mentions in our newsletters.
- Recognition on our website and social media.
- Invitations to exclusive Harbour events.



Media Campaign

Collaborate with us on a media campaign to raise awareness about domestic violence and our services.

Benefits to Your Organisation:

- Co-branding opportunities and shared media exposure.
- Recognition in campaign-related press releases and advertisements. Enhanced corporate image
- Social media promotion across our channels.



Services

Offer professional services such as legal advice, financial planning, or mental health support to our clients.

Benefits to Your Organisation:

- Recognition on our website and social media.
- Media mentions and inclusion in our newsletters.
- Opportunities for employee volunteering, engagement and education.



Capital Equipment

Donate essential equipment such as security cameras, storage containers, or beds for our refuge.

Benefits to Your Organisation:

- Acknowledgment on all digital platforms.
- Media exposure and press releases announcing your support.
- Opportunities for employee volunteering and education.



Contribute to the Fit-Out of Our New Refuge

Donate funds or materials to help furnish and equip our new refuge, providing a safe and welcoming environment for our clients.

Benefits to Your Organisation:

- A plaque acknowledging your contribution displayed in the sponsored room or area.
- Recognition in our annual report and on our website.
- Media coverage and social media mentions highlighting your support.
- Invitations to the opening event and tours of the new facility.

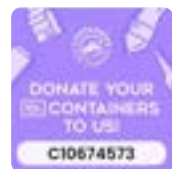


Containers for Change

Encourage your organisation, employees and customers to donate their recyclable container refunds to Harbour.

Benefits to Your Organisation:

- Show your commitment to environmental sustainability and community support.
- Recognition on our website and social media channels.
- Certificates of appreciation for participating businesses.



Thank you for considering a partnership with Harbour. We look forward to working together to transform lives and empower our community.

*For more information or to discuss partnership opportunities,
please contact Harbour today!*



Become a Member

Become a valued member of Harbour, where you will not only support the organisation's purpose and values but also become a vital Ambassador spreading awareness, hope, and support for those affected by domestic violence.

As a member, you'll connect with like-minded individuals passionate about the cause, fostering a sense of community and shared commitment.

Joining Harbour opens doors to unique opportunities,



Make a Difference


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Become a Member

TALK TO US TODAY ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF A HARBOUR MEMBERSHIP



"Alone we are strong,
but **together** we are
stronger. Let's unite to
support and protect
survivors of Domestic
Violence."

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