



It Shouldn't Hurt To Go Home.



For millions of women and children this is a reality they face everyday. Can you help us to keep them safe?

Save your Refuge!



For outreach services and enquiries: 0300 303 1844

For emergency accommodation: (0116) 283 2225

Women's Aid, PO Box 26, Leicester, LE1 1AA
www.wa-leicester.org.uk



I would like to help Women's Aid Leicestershire (WALL) to save the refuge and protect women and children affected by domestic violence.

Please accept my donation of: £250 £100 £50 £20 £10 Other amount £ _____

I would like to Gift Aid this donation YES / NO



I enclose a cheque/postal order/CAF cheque made payable to 'Women's Aid Leicestershire Ltd'

Please debit my credit or debit card no: _____ Expiry date: __/__/__

Issue number (if applicable): _____ Security Code*: _____

Name: _____ Email address: _____

Address: _____

I would like to get more involved with WALL. Please add me to your list of angels.

YES / NO

I would like to receive WALL's monthly newsletter

YES / NO

Please return this form, along with your payment, to Pamela Richardson at: Women's Aid, PO Box 26, Leicester, LE1 1AA

Support Your Refuge

One woman in four will experience domestic violence at some point in her lifetime. It could be someone **you know** – a sister, daughter, friend or colleague may be at risk. We all have a part to play in ending domestic violence.

Since Women's Aid Leicestershire Limited (WALL) opened the first refuge in Leicester in 1974, hundreds of women and children have found sanctuary here, able to live their lives free from abuse. Sadly we are no longer funded to provide this support in our City refuge however, with the generous support of individuals and organisations **we intend to keep the Refuge open.**

"Without the refuge I would be dead."

These are the chilling words of Anne, a survivor of domestic abuse who now runs a successful business. Anne came into our refuge with her daughters and found the strength and space to re-build her life.

Every minute of the day police in the UK receive a report of domestic violence. Some of these victims have the means to escape: friends and family to stay with or enough money. But for nearly 18,000 women and children each year in England alone **refuges are all that stands between them and their abuser.**

Please help us to keep them safe.

What is a Refuge?

The refuge offers a safe place to stay where women and their children can live free from abuse and find the time and space to recover and take control of their lives. It provides a friendly home with a family bedroom, play facilities and garden.



Through a dedicated programme of education and intervention we help victims develop the resilience, strength and skills required to break the cycle of abuse for these families, enabling survivors to start to heal and move on in safety.

Basic counselling as well as practical support on finance, benefits, health, education and training is provided along with support to move into more suitable and permanent accommodation.

How you can HELP

- * *Provide us with a donation*
A contribution of £500 would allow us to provide emergency accommodation for one woman and her child for a week.
- * *Become one of our Angels*
A network of men and women working to support WALL's work, helping with fundraising and raising our profile. Contact us on: 0116 244 1482 to find out more
- * *Keep in touch*
We would like to keep you updated with developments at WALL by sending you our monthly newsletter.

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