

## Greenwich Women's Aid

Many people think of Women's Aid as just offering temporary accommodation to women and children when they have to leave their homes because of domestic violence, however, we now offer many other additional services, which I will take this opportunity to tell you about:

- We manage **several refuges** in various parts of Greenwich Borough
- We offer a **floating support** service to women who wish to stay safely in their home or needing support as they have just left a violent partner. This can be lots of different support, such as:
  - ✓ Domestic violence problems and you wish to know what options there are for you
  - ✓ Helping with arrears and debt
  - ✓ Support with legal issues like child contact and supervised contact,
  - ✓ Emotional support
  - ✓ Support to obtain extra security in the home to enable you to remain there in safety
- We offer extensive **services to children**, such as:
  - ✓ Play sessions
  - ✓ Outings
  - ✓ Group work for children who have experienced domestic violence in their homes
  - ✓ Parenting workshops
  - ✓ Annual holiday

- **Other services**, include:
  - ✓ The Referral & Information Line
  - ✓ In-house counselling service for women who are using one of our services (confidential)
  - ✓ Multi-agency working
  - ✓ Talks on Domestic Violence or related issues
  - ✓ Outreach work

We define domestic violence as the emotional, physical, sexual or psychological abuse of a person by their partner, family member or someone with whom there is, or has been a relationship. We acknowledge that domestic violence essentially involves the misuse of power and the exercise of control by one person, usually a man, over another, usually a woman.

Our service is available to any woman who is living in fear, living with or has left a domestic violence situation or is a survivor of rape or sexual assault.

Our service is confidential.

**For referrals to any of the above services, any questions you may have and for referral to refuge accommodation and services throughout the United Kingdom, please ring our**

**Referral & Information Line  
020 8333 2352**



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**THE  
REFERRAL  
&  
INFORMATION LINE**

**020 8333 2352**

**9.30am-12.30pm  
for  
Refuge space  
(anywhere in the UK)**

**Text phone users  
(hearing or speech impairment)  
please ring  
18001 020 8333 2352**

**Referrals to our other services -**

- ✓ **Refuge accommodation**
  - ✓ **Floating support**
  - ✓ **Children's services**
    - ✓ **Outreach**
- ✓ **Support & Information**

# "SORRY ...."

**How many times have you heard that before?**

**Has your partner or husband ever....**

Stopped you leaving the house, or locked you in?

Assumed you would have sex any time, or raped you?

Slapped, punched or kicked you?

Driven recklessly with you or your children in the car?

Frightened or hurt your children?

Stopped you or your children having money for food?

Threatened you after the relationship is over?

Thrown things at you?

Tried to control where you go, what you do and who you speak to?

Called you names..... Stupid, ugly....?



**For someone to talk to, ring Greenwich Women's Aid,  
Referral & Information Line 020 8333 2352**