DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NEEDS PUBLIC SERVICES

No one should be left waiting for help.

No one should fall through the cracks.

Domestic and family violence can be prevented.

Government must take responsibility.

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PUBLIC SERVICES SAVE LIVES



When victims and survivors need safety, public services must be there.

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PSA

UNITY – STRENGTH – RESPECT

DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE IS PREVENTABLE

BUT THE SYSTEM ISN'T WORKING.

Every week in Australia, women are killed by a current or former partner.

Many more people live with fear, control, and abuse every day.

When people reach out for help, they should be safe.

Too often, they are not.

RIGHT NOW:

- Services are hard to find.
- People are turned away or put on waiting lists.
- Different services don't talk to each other.
- Workers are stretched and under pressure.

This means people fall through the cracks.

Keeping people safe should be a basic role of government.

We need a system that is strong, connected, and there when people need it.

5 THINGS THAT MUST CHANGE

1. **EXPAND THE FAMILY VIOLENCE SERVICE**
   by establishing 15 government Family Violence Service offices across NSW, starting in the highest-need regions.

2. **CREATE AN INDEPENDENT NSW DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE REGULATOR**
   to oversee standards, outcomes, data collection and accountability across the sector.

3. **SUPPORT STRONG COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS**
   through stable, long-term funding and better coordination with government services.

4. **IMPROVE PREVENTION AND JUSTICE**
   including evidence-based education, specialist courts, behaviour change programs and stronger community corrections.

5. **BUILD ONE CONNECTED SYSTEM**
   so victim-survivors receive coordinated support from first contact through recovery, without falling through the cracks.