

# RESPECT 2040

16 Days of Activism  
Barwon South West  
social media campaign

# FROM 16 TO 365



## PROJECT OVERVIEW

16 Days of Activism runs from Saturday 25 November (International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) to Sunday 10 December (Human Rights Day).

The Respect 2040 partnership uses 16 Days of Activism to showcase the steps we are taking to advance gender equality and prevent violence against women 365 days a year in the Barwon South West region.

In doing so, we aim to present a united front, to make our work more visible to the wider community and to inspire others to act.

13 organisations participated in the 2023 campaign, each sharing information on the work they do to advance gender equality and prevent violence against women.



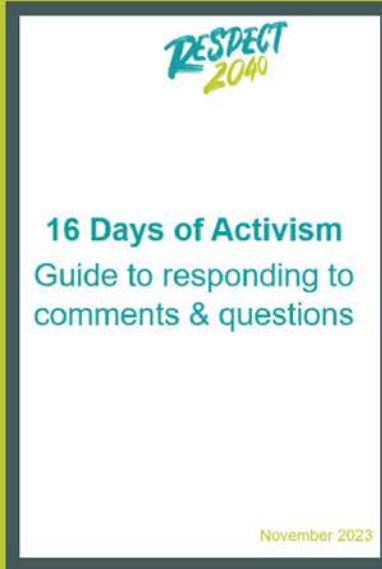
**THE POWER TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IS IN OUR HANDS. JOIN US**

# CAMPAIGN ASSETS



Great South Coast event calendar



Barwon event calendar



Opening video



Closing video

16 Days of Activism Calendar																
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SAT 25 Nov	SUN 26 Nov	MON 27 Nov	TUES 28 Nov	WED 29 Nov	THURS 30 Nov	FRI 1 Dec	SAT 2 Dec	SUN 3 Dec	MON 4 Dec	TUES 5 Dec	WED 6 Dec	THURS 7 Dec	FRI 8 Dec	SAT 9 Dec	SUN 10 Dec	
International Day of the Elimination of Violence Against Women						No Gender December (all-month)		International Days of Persons with Disabilities							World Human Rights Day	
INTRO VIDEO (COLLECTIVE)	SHOWCASE City of Greater Geelong Town Hall in lights	SHOWCASE TAFE Respect & Equality at SWTAFE stall	SHOWCASE Surf Coast Shine Change the story school book program	SHOWCASE WCC Baby Makes 3 program	SHOWCASE Glenelg Walk against family violence Corangamite Safe Phones drop off	SHOWCASE South West Sport 'Respect in Sport' leadership lunch & 'Women's Leadership in Sport' video launch	SHOWCASE SAIV Art exhibition	SHOWCASE West Vic PHN Gender, disability and violence	SHOWCASE Borough of Queenscliffe Equity, respect, fairness - IDAHOBIT flag raising	SHOWCASE Warrnon Water Support for customers experiencing family violence	SHOWCASE Barwon Community Legal Family violence legal assistance programs	SHOWCASE Moyne Shire Community member pledge	SHOWCASE Leaders on and off the field project	SHOWCASE WARRNSW Respect 2040 partnership	CLOSING VIDEO (COLLECTIVE)	

Showcase schedule



Video closing slide



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## DAY 1: JOINT VIDEO OPENING STATEMENT

"Today marks the start of 16 Days of Activism to prevent violence against women.

And, while we work every single day to make change in our communities, we will use these 16 days to showcase the great work being done in the Barwon South West region to advance gender equality and prevent violence against women.

We are a group of local organisations, councils, companies, educational institutions and community groups 100% united in our commitment to end violence against women.

And because gender inequality is the soil in which violence against women grows, we're determined to ensure that the places we live, work, study and play are fair and equal.

Gender equality benefits everyone. It's also everyone's responsibility.

We know that change takes time, and that we will face barriers but, together we're creating a region where people are treated with fairness and equality and where violence against women ends.

Join us for the next 16 Days of Activism as we celebrate the great change that is happening in the Barwon South West region.

[Watch the opening video](#)





## DAY 3: SOUTH WEST TAFE

**South West TAFE**  
1d · 🌐

Our recent Student Voice BBQ included a stall hosted by our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion team. This stall was promoting respect and equity at SWTAFE which is part of a state-wide initiative that aims to promote gender equality and, in turn, contribute to the prevention of gender-based violence in our communities.

SWTAFE is participating in a local initiative '16 Days of Activism', coordinated by [Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West](#). The initiative involves several local organisations sharing the work we are doing, and the commitment we are making, to end violence against women and advance gender equality.

At SWTAFE, we are working towards becoming more equitable and inclusive for all students, staff and visitors. We intend to achieve this by gathering feedback, raising awareness about inclusive practices and improving SWTAFE policies, systems, programs and services.


If you or someone you know is impacted by sexual assault, family or domestic violence contact:  
 SW Centre Against Sexual Assault Service - (03) 5564 4144  
 Emma House - 1800 366 238  
 1800 Respect - 1800 737 732 (available 24/7)  
 or, in an emergency, call 000.

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**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
1d · 🌐

Thank you [South West TAFE](#) for your passion and enthusiasm and for all that you do to advance [#Respect](#) and [#Equality](#) in our community - both now and into the future.

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**South West TAFE**  
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## DAY 4: SURF COAST SHIRE

**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
December 1 at 6:27 PM · 🌐

Gender equality benefits everyone.

Gender inequality, on the other hand, impacts us all, creates harm and leads to [#ViolenceAgainstWomen](#)

What we read can help us challenge our attitudes and create a future where we are all safe, equal and respected. Respect, [#equality](#) and [#RespectfulRelationships](#) must start early.

The 'Let's Change the Story' initiative from the [Surf Coast Shire Council](#) involves distributing packages of books to all 12 primary schools in the Shire. The packs contain 22 books themed around gender equality and aims to engage and educate children about the importance of [#genderequality](#) equality through heart-warming storytelling and beautiful illustrations.

Let's create a world where girls and boys grow up as equals. This [#16DaysOfActivism](#), and beyond, let's change the story and create a future where we are all safe, equal, and respected.

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**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
15h · 🌐

The Clothesline Project is a visual symbol of allyship and support. Each t-shirt represents a commitment to stand against [#GenderBasedViolence](#) demonstrating a collective dedication to create culture free from violence.

This wonderful collaboration between the [Surf Coast Shire Council](#) and the [Torquay Community House](#) shows that communities will not tolerate [#violenceagainstwomen](#)

By uniting and both demanding change - and creating change ourselves - we can all play a part in creating a fairer, more equal society.

Together we can advance [#genderequality](#) and prevent violence against women.

The installation will be displayed Torquay's [Wurdi Baierr Stadium](#) over the [#16DaysOfActivism](#).

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## DAY 5: WARRNAMBOOL CITY COUNCIL



Warrnambool City Council

1h · 🌐

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Having your first child and adjusting to parenthood can be a major life event for many people. Everyone's experience post-birth can vary from beautiful to tiredness, stress and happiness all in the same day!

Our Baby Makes 3 program is offered to first-time parents and focuses on building and maintaining equal and respectful relationships throughout the transition to parenthood in the early months after birth.

The program covers many universal topics including expectation of parents, healthy relationships, meaningful equality, intimacy, good communication and dealing with conflict.

Regina and Chris recently took part in the program, and said it was definitely worthwhile.

"Having a baby was the best thing we ever did. Baby Makes 3 helped us to have important conversations we might not have had with a three month old." - Regina

"The group dynamic really helped us to know that we're not alone in the relationship challenges we face with a new baby." - Chris.

We are currently in the midst of [#16DaysOfActivism](#) and programs like Baby Makes 3 play an important role in helping new parents understand the importance of gender equality and healthy relationships, which ultimately means better outcomes for children and families.

[Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West](#)



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Baby Makes 3, an innovative and valuable initiative from the [Warrnambool City Council](#), supports couples to build and maintain equal and respectful relationships at a critical time in their lives - the arrival of a child.

The program helps couples navigate the many changes in their lives during the early months after birth. Covering topics including [#healthyrelationships](#), [#equality](#) and the sharing of care, Baby Makes 3 helps couples create and maintain greater equality and respect in their relationships.

Congratulations to the Warrnambool City Council on this wonderful initiative that is helping to advance [#genderequality](#) in families and in our communities. We'd love to see others following this great lead!

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Warrnambool City Council

1h · 🌐

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## DAY 6: CORANGAMITE SHIRE COUNCIL

**Corangamite Shire Council**  
4h · 🌐

Do you have an unused phone collecting dust? Your unwanted mobile phone could provide a vital lifeline for someone in crisis.

You can now donate unused mobile phones at a [DV Safe Phone](#) collection point at our Civic Centre, that will then be refurbished and distributed through family violence centres and police services.

DV Safe Phone collects, erases and repairs phones then provides them to front line family violence and Police services to support victim survivors of domestic violence.

We are launching this important initiative as part of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence campaign, with more collection points to come by the end of the month.

A mobile phone is something that many of us take for granted, but it can be a potential lifesaver for victim survivors of domestic and family violence, giving them a direct line to emergency responders and support services.

Read more here: <https://go.vic.gov.au/3N1p8oo>

[Safe and Equal Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West](#)

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Photo: L-R Deputy Mayor Laurie Hickey, Mayor Kate Makin, Community Relation Officer Simone Mahoney and Cr Nick Cole support the DV Safe Phone Authorised Phone Drop Location at the Civic Centre in Camperdown.



**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
5m · 🌐

Violence against women is at absolute crisis point in Australia. Initiatives such as the [DV Safe Phone](#) supported by [Corangamite Shire Council](#) are critical for supporting women experiencing violence.

Also critical is the work that [Respect 2040](#) partners carry out every single day to address the drivers of [#violenceagainstwomen](#) and stop it happening in the first place.

Achieving [#genderequality](#) in our homes, workplaces and communities is essential for preventing violence against women, and the [Respect 2040](#) partnership is 100% united in this goal.

Please, join us ([www.respect2040.org.au](http://www.respect2040.org.au)) and help create a fairer, safer Barwon South West.

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## DAY 6: GLENELG SHIRE COUNCIL

**Glenelg Shire Council**  
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This year Glenelg Shire Council will again roll out footpath signage across the shire – Respect Victoria's "Respect Women, Call It Out" will be displayed outside Council Customer Service Centres, libraries and participating health services.

Current statistics show that almost 1 in 4 women have experienced intimate partner violence by the age of 15.

Council recently updated its Family and Domestic Violence Leave Policy so that all employees, including casuals, are entitled to access up to 20 days of paid leave per year. The policy models best practice and aims to support the health and wellbeing of Council staff. If you or someone you know is experiencing violence or abuse, you can contact 1800RESPECT on 1800 737 732 or in an emergency situation please call 000 for urgent police assistance.



**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
8m · 🌐

A daily reminder during #16DaysOfActivism, that disrespect and #violenceagainstwomen must not be tolerated.

It's also a reminder that, 365 days a year, we must work to address the #genderinequality that drives this violence.

The work must happen in all the places we live, work and play. And that's the work Respect 2040 partners have signed up to - 365 days a year.

Please, join us!

For more information see [www.respect2040.org.au](http://www.respect2040.org.au) or send us a message here.

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**Glenelg Shire Council**  
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Glenelg Shire Council recently rolled out Family Violence Awareness training across the organisation.

Well done to the Casterton Depot team who completed this training together.

It was great to see the Depot Team this morning and connect with Casterton Memorial Hospital staff for breakfast in Casterton as part of a suite of initiatives for the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence.



**Glenelg Shire Council**  
· 24 November at 08:30 · 🌐

Join Glenelg Shire Council and Rotary SayNo2familyviolence this morning to Walk Against Family Violence starting at 10am on the Ploughed Field opposite Portland District Health - or simply pop down to the Portland Library deck for a free barbecue and coffee from Bahloo Cafe. Registration is open until 10am at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/748932527247>.

The display on the Bentinck Street fence pictured demonstrates the unfortunate statistic that one woman is lost to domestic violence every nine days.

Walk with us to support the prevention of violence against women in our region.



**Glenelg Shire Council**  
· 24 November at 16:14 · 🌐

More than 40 people braved the Portland weather today to take part in the Walk Against Gender Based Violence from the Ploughed Field to the Portland Library.

On the way, the walkers stopped at the display on the Bentinck Street fence where they, including Glenelg Shire Mayor Karen Stephens (pictured), tied orange ribbons to raise awareness as part of the 16 Days of Activism campaign.

This event was organised by Rotary SayNo2familyviolence in partnership with the Glenelg Shire Council to raise awareness of the collective efforts to prevent and eliminate violence against women and girls.

The 16 Days of Activism campaign runs globally from Saturday 25 November through to Sunday 10 December 2023.

More information can be found at <https://1800respect.org.au/promoting.../16-days-of-activism>



## DAY 7: SOUTH WEST SPORT

**South West Sport**  
14h · 🌐

A big thank you to all those who attended our Respect in Sport Leadership Luncheon last Friday, in case you missed it, here's a few photos from the day.

It was fantastic to have so many people from across our sporting landscape in the room, for a common cause, as we work together to level the playing field for women and girls in the south west.

From club presidents, sport and recreation staff, councillors, sports administrators, players, committee members, community organisations, and sector staff, it was fantastic to have such diverse representation from our local community, and some fantastic additions from our state sector partners including, the Director of the Office for Women in Sport and Recreation, Sarah Styles, joining us on the day.

To keep up to date on our organisations work in this space, or to find out how we can support your club, league, association, or council to progress gender equity through sport check out our website <https://www.southwestsport.com.au/gender-equity> or reach out to our Team Leader Ashleigh at [ashleigh@southwestsport.com.au](mailto:ashleigh@southwestsport.com.au), for more information.

Thank you once again [Change Our Game](#) and [Wannon Water](#) for supporting our organisation to deliver this event.

**South West Sport**  
3d · 🌐

We were so grateful today to be able to bring together so many people from our south west sporting community to celebrate the opportunity that exists within sport to progress gender equality this 16 Days of Activism.

With so much work already underway in the south west to progress gender equality through sport, it is an exciting time, not only for women and girls, but our whole community as we work together to level the playing field.

Thanks to our exceptional MC for the day [Carol Fox](#), the room was alive with energy and possibility, and to our fantastic panelists who brought their real-world experiences to the table.

Here's a sneak peek of the day, with a full photo album, as well as our 'Women in Sport Leadership South West' Video Campaign which launched today, to come.

Lastly, we would like to thank [Change Our Game](#) and [Wannon Water](#) for their support in enabling us to put on a fantastic event right here in the south west.

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**South West Sport**  
18h · 🌐

This 16 Days of Activism we're celebrating the role of women in sports leadership, as we work together to level the playing field for women and girls in the south west.

Women's leadership in sport creates amazing opportunities, not just for the individual but community sport more broadly. We were lucky enough to speak to five amazing women from the south west, who shared their experience of leadership in sport.

A big thank you to, Ashlee Scott from the [Warrnambool Golf Club](#), Kim Tobin from the [Warrnambool Lawn Tennis Club Inc](#), Anne North from the [Port Fairy Soccer Club](#), Josephine McDowall from the [Warrnambool Surf Life Saving Club](#), and Natalie Wood from [Essendon FCW](#).

Thank you to [Change Our Game](#) for their support, through a Community Activation grant, which made this work possible.

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**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
1d · 🌐

Congratulations to the team at [South West Sport](#) both on this excellent event and for all that you do - every single day - to advance [#genderequality](#) in sport, and in our community.

Your leadership is inspiring and this work is creating a community where we can all feel respected, valued and safe.

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## DAY 8: SAFV CENTRE

**The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre**  
1d · 🌐


We all deserve to experience and express healthy and equitable attitudes towards gender, and feel supported to just be ourselves. Every day we receive messages from friends, family, advertising and the media which influence us from a young age to comply with rigid gender roles and identities.

You can change the message. Relinquish rigid ideas about men and women. Allow new and flexible expressions of identities and gender roles.

We all deserve find our authentic self, and to be safe outside the boundaries of rigid gender roles.

Inner Child by Prue - created for Our Stories for Change, Lived Experience Art Exhibition

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**The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre**  
4d · 🌐

Gender equality is at the core of preventing gender-based violence. Unfortunately, social attitudes that normalise men's control over women, or even celebrate it, create an environment where violence is more common and less likely to be challenged.

To overcome this, we must promote women's independence and decision making in relationships, workplaces and other social settings.

This 16 Days of Activism visit the Lived Experience Art Exhibition: Our Stories for Change, listen to and amplify the voices of victim-survivors and their calls for gender equality and women's independence. More information is available at [www.safvcentre.org.au/our-stories-for-change/](http://www.safvcentre.org.au/our-stories-for-change/)

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**The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre**  
1d · 🌐

Amplify the voices of women with disabilities. Women with disabilities experience high rates of violence. 65% of women with disabilities report at least one experience of violence since the age of 15.

Violence against women with disabilities is preventable and by working with women with disabilities, we can address the social context that gives rise to violence against women and girls with disabilities.

#16DaysOfActivism #IDPwD  
Women with Disabilities Victoria



**The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre**  
21h · 🌐

Imagine what life could be like in a society where men and boys can express masculinity in ways that are authentic to them and allow them to have positive relationships with partners, friends and families.

When aggression, sexism and disrespect towards women and gender diverse people is normalised amongst men, we create a culture where violence against women is more likely, and victims are silenced.

We must support men and boys in developing healthy expressions of masculinity and positive, supportive male peer relationships.

Authentic Self by Anonymous - created for Our Stories for Change, Lived Experience Art Exhibition

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**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
1d · 🌐

"Gender equality is at the core of preventing gender-based violence." To create the future we all want to see - one where everyone is respected, equal and safe - we must continue to strive for #genderequality in our homes, workplaces and communities.

The 'Lived Experience Art Exhibition: Our Stories for Change' is an initiative of the The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre and an opportunity to hear and amplify the voices of victim-survivors and their calls for gender equality and women's independence.

For more information visit [www.safvcentre.org.au/our-stories-for-change/](http://www.safvcentre.org.au/our-stories-for-change/)

To find out more about the work happening across the Barwon South Region, and to join us in creating a fairer future, please visit [www.respect2040.org.au](http://www.respect2040.org.au)

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# DAY 9: WESTERN VICTORIA PRIMARY HEALTH NETWORK

**phn** Western Victoria Primary Health Network  
2d · 🌐

#16DaysOfActivism #InternationalDayofPersonswithDisabilities

Violence against women with a disability is a problem across Australia. Women with disabilities:

- are often dependent on informal or formal care placing them at higher risk of physical violence, sexual abuse and financial exploitation. In particular, women living in rural settings are at higher risk of social isolation.
- access to medical services can often be delayed, withheld or denied.
- are less likely to report violence as they are fearful that they won't be taken seriously or believed, particularly women from culturally linguistically diverse backgrounds and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds.

Western Victoria Primary Health Network is a supporter of Respect 2040  
<https://www.respect2040.com/>

**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
1d · 🌐

Discrimination on the basis of gender doesn't occur in isolation and can be compounded by other forms of discrimination.

#ViolenceAgainstWomen with a disability is a problem across Australia and solutions must consider the intersectional nature of inequality.

The Respect 2040 partnership is working to achieve equality and respect for all people in the Barwon South West region.

Please join us, and make our region one where everyone can feel safe, respected and equal.

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## DAY 10: BOROUGH OF QUEENSLIFFE

**Borough of Queenscliffe** 2d · 🌐

🏳️‍🌈 The Borough of Queenscliffe is a welcoming, connected, and diverse community. The Vision of our Gender Equality Statement of Commitment is that the Borough of Queenscliffe is a community where all people, regardless of their gender identity, can participate fully in all aspects of their lives without disadvantage, discrimination, or prejudice.

❤️ We value equality, respect, and fairness.

🏳️‍🌈 In May, Mayor Isabelle Tolhurst and Cr Grout raised the IDAHOBIT flag at Council offices in Queenscliff to observe IDAHOBIT – the International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia, and Transphobia. Cr Tolhurst said, "On IDAHOBIT, we stand with members of the LGBTQIA+ community to promote equality and inclusion, and to reject discrimination and violence. Raising the rainbow flag signifies that the Borough welcomes everyone, regardless of their sexuality, gender identity, or who they love. We are committed to equality and inclusion year-round for all in our community."

👉 We support the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based violence campaign as we want to contribute to a future where we are all safe, equal and respected.

All women deserve to be safe, equal and respected.

**LET'S CHANGE THE STORY TO PREVENT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN.**



#16days  
#16daysofactivism

RESPECT VICTORIA

**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West** 1d · 🌐

We are proud to walk alongside the [Borough of Queenscliffe](#), and other Respect 2040 partners.

Together, we are creating a Barwon South West where discrimination and violence are not tolerated, a region where we are all treated with respect.

Congratulations to the Borough of Queenscliffe for standing tall, showing such wonderful leadership on [#genderequality](#) and for creating an inclusive community.


We welcome others to join us in creating a fairer, more equal, society where we can all live safe from violence.

To find out more about joining the Respect 2040 partnership, please visit [www.respect2040.org.au](http://www.respect2040.org.au)

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## DAY 11: WANNON WATER

**Wannon Water** 1h · 🌐

We all deserve to be safe, equal and respected. We're committed supporting people in our community who may be affected by family violence.

As an essential service provider, we play a part in the broader health and wellbeing people in our region. The safety of our customers and their children is our priority.

Our customer service team are trained in responding to family violence situations and we offer a single confidential point of contact, so people don't have to repeatedly mention their experiences.

We offer payment arrangements, flexible debt relief and can link customers with financial counselling so they can focus on staying safe and well.

We are united in our commitment to end violence against women and are proud to be part of [Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West's Respect 2040 movement](#).



and by using our Gender  
Plan to guide how we

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**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West** 10m · 🌐


Wannon Water's continued leadership towards workplace [#genderequality](#) benefits employees and their families, customers and the broader community.

This commitment to gender equality is a critical component of Wannon Water's strong stance against [#genderbasedviolence](#).

We are proud to have [Wannon Water](#) part of the Respect 2040 partnership as together we work towards a Barwon South West where people are treated with fairness, respect and equality - and where [#violenceagainstwomen](#) ends.

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We're committed to helping our

# DAY 12: BARWON COMMUNITY LEGAL

**Barwon Community Legal Service**  
3h · 🌐

Today is day 12 of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence .

Approximately 70 percent of the clients we assist every year have been impacted by Family Violence. We recognise and see first hand the profound impact on individuals, families, children and our community. Our commitment to this cause extends beyond legal support; it's about creating a culture of respect, equality, and justice.

Our enhanced Family Violence Service prioritises safety, wellbeing, and early intervention in a trauma-informed approach. We work to provide holistic and comprehensive support, by partnering with local agencies such as [The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre](#) and The Orange Door to ensure women have access to both legal and non-legal support and by ensuring our programs meet legal need and offer streamlined support. For example, our Family Law service bridges the gap between private lawyers and legal aid that clients often find themselves in.

In 2024, we will continue to develop our services by listening to our clients and partners to further refine our programs. We will introduce our Early Resolution Service which works to proactively resolve Family Violence Intervention Order matters prior to a court date, making proceedings more streamlined and less stressful for our clients.

To contact us, visit our website: <https://www.barwoncommunitylegal.org.au/#16daysofactivism>

**Our commitment to preventing violence against women and girls extends beyond legal support; it's about creating a culture of respect, equality, and justice.**

16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence 2023

**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
1m · 🌐

The wonderful team at [Barwon Community Legal Service](#) provide critical support to people at some of the toughest points in their lives. They see first hand the profound and lasting impact [#genderbasedviolence](#) has on individuals, families, children and our community.

And, because [#genderinequality](#) is the soil in which [#violenceagainstwomen](#) grows, their commitment - and ours - is to create a culture of [#Respect](#), [#equality](#) and [#justice](#).

We use [#16DaysOfActivism](#) to shine a light on this work, but it continues 365 days a year.

If you'd like to join us in creating a Barwon South West where everyone is safe, equal and respected, please visit [www.respect2040.org.au](http://www.respect2040.org.au)

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## DAY 13: MOYNE SHIRE COUNCIL

**Moyne Shire Council**  
November 28 at 5:27 PM · 🌐

Join us in taking a stand against gender-based violence!

Head to your local Moyne library by 10 December to make your pledge for 16 Days of Activism.

Pledge cards and boxes are located at:

- Koroit Library
- Mortlake Library
- Port Fairy Library

Together, let's create a community that values safety, equality and respect for all!



**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
22h · 🌐

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- [#EndGenderBasedViolence](#), [#16days](#), [#16DaysOfActivismAgainstGenderBasedViolence](#), [#ENDviolence](#)



**Moyne Shire Council** · Following  
Government Relations Services

Our offices will be lit in orange each night to show our support for the annual 16 Days of Activism campaign.

16 Days of aActivism is an international campaign to challenge violence against women and girls. The campaign runs every year from 25th November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, to 10 December, Human Rights Day.



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# DAY 14: LEADERS ON AND OFF THE FIELD INITIATIVE

**The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre**  
4h · 🌐

Sport has a vital role to play in creating a space where all women are not only safe but also respected, valued and treated as equals.


Respect Starts Here: Leaders on and off the Field supports clubs in the Barwon area to address gender inequality and prevent violence against women.

Sporting clubs create tailored key messages, develop a gender equity action plan and take part in active bystander training to call out harmful and disrespectful behaviour and attitudes.

Together we all play a role in ending violence against women.



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**Gender Equality in sport matters. It matters in every setting and by making a stance and educating people, we can work towards building a society that respects everyone.**

OCEAN GROVE FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB WORKSHOP PARTICIPANT

**Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West**  
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[#Respect](#) starts here.

The 'leaders on and off the field' project, delivered by the great team at [The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre](#), supports clubs in the Barwon region to create safe and respectful sporting environments.

Achieving [#genderequality](#) in all the places we live, work and play is critical to addressing the crisis that is [#violenceagainstwomen](#) in Australia.

This work happens 365 days a year, and we all have a role to play.

Please, join us. [www.respect2040.org.au](http://www.respect2040.org.au)

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## DAY 15: WOMEN'S HEALTH & WELLBEING BARWON SOUTH WEST

 Women's Health and Wellbeing Barwon South West  
Just now · 🌐

Violence against women takes many forms and it happens in homes and workplaces across Australia.

But [#genderbasedviolence](#) is not inevitable.

We can do so much better. Together we can [#changethehistory](#).  
United, we can tackle the [#genderinequality](#) that drives violence. We can change it in our homes, our workplaces, our sporting clubs, and wherever it occurs.

And that's the bold ambition of the Respect 2040 partnership. A powerful and inspirational group of local governments, businesses, educational institutions, sporting clubs and community organisations - all 100% committed to advancing [#genderequality](#) and preventing [#violenceagainstwomen](#)

Join us! Please visit [www.respect2040.org.au](http://www.respect2040.org.au) or message us here.

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## DAY 16: JOINT VIDEO CLOSING STATEMENT

“Thank you for joining us for 16 Days of Activism as we highlighted the wonderful work happening across our region.

This work continues 365 days a year as, together, we are creating a region where people are treated with fairness and quality, and where violence against women ends.

The power to end violence against women is in our hands, in the changes every one of us can make. Change is everyone’s responsibility – it’s mine, it’s yours, it’s ours.

We have come to the end of 16 Days of Activism.

But true change isn’t about 16 Days of Activism, it’s about 365 days of action.

So, please, join with us – 365 days a year – and help us create a fairer and better region, where women and men are treated equally, and violence against women ends.

[Watch the closing video](#)

**RESPECT 2040**

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**CORANGAMITE SHIRE**

**GLENELG SHIRE**

**PORT FAIRY**

**MOYNE SHIRE**

**SOUTH WARRAMBOOL**

**SOUTH WEST TAFE**

**south west sport**

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**WOMEN'S HEALTH & WELLBEING Barwon South West**