

# Are you being abused?

If you need immediate help, call 911

## WE CAN HELP

If you are a victim of abuse and decide you want to leave your abusive relationship, Ontario Works can help.

We may be able to help you pay for basic necessities, find emergency shelter, and refer you to legal and emotional counselling.

We will keep your situation confidential, and give you time to recover before helping you find a job.

If you are in an abusive situation and need financial assistance, you can call your local Ontario Works office, **1-888-256-1112** 8:30am to 4:30pm, Monday to Friday.

Yellow Brick House Women's Shelter  
1-800-263-3247 (24-hour crisis line)

Sandgate Women's Shelter  
1-800-661-8294 (24-hour crisis line)

## BE SAFE

Use a phone or computer your abuser can not access to make sure your phone calls, e-mail, and Website history can't be tracked.

## 88% of spousal violence victims are women

*Family Violence In Canada, Statistics Canada, 1999*

## 80-90% of children in homes with spousal violence are aware of and affected by the violence

*Violence Against Women Survey, Statistics Canada, 1993*



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