



Friends
with Dignity
AUSTRALIA

FACT SHEET

Step Up ♡ Speak Out ♡ Support!

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Our organisation

Friends with Dignity is a volunteer based not for profit registered charity that provides practical programs to assist survivors of domestic violence in collaboration with refuge and crisis centres.

Equal opportunity

Friends with Dignity recognizes that domestic violence does not discriminate. It affects men, women and children irrespective of race, ethnicity or socio-economic standing and our programs are available, on referral, to any individual or family seeking assistance.

Built on the foundation that change is effected through community engagement, our programs encourage individuals, groups and organisations to actively initiate change by providing tangible ways in which we all can Step Up, Speak Out and Support. Beyond raising awareness of domestic violence, we seek to work with communities to be part of the solution.

Our ongoing and respected relationships with local refuges and crisis centres is testament to the dedication of our volunteers, and professional leadership of our executive team. An entrusted partner to those on the 'front line', we work not in competition, but alongside these and other organisations, recognizing that our mutual goal is to reduce the instances of domestic violence in Australia.

We invite all Australians to join us in supporting survivors of domestic violence as we work towards building a nation free from domestic violence.





Our programs



Sanctuaries

Working with the community, we source pre-loved and new household items to fully furnish homes (Sanctuaries) within 7 days for Survivors of Domestic and Family Violence enabling them to move forward with purpose, dignity and hope.



Urgent requests

Providing essential items on a time critical basis (less than 48 hours) to survivors and refuge centres which may include household items and crisis packs of personal care items.



Friendsafe program

Provides monitored personal safety devices to individuals or families affected by Domestic and Family violence throughout Australia to be used in conjunction with their Safety Management Plan.



Little friends

Aims to ensure that child survivors are not disadvantaged in the transition to a safe environment by supplying items designed to provide comfort and educational support.



Little friends scholarships

[Learn more](#)



We provide bi-annual monetary scholarships to children who have faced Domestic and Family Violence throughout Australia. These scholarships give these children the ability to either further their education and/or participate in extra-curricula activities that they may not be able to pursue due to the financial impact of Domestic and Family Violence within their family environment.



Community engagements

We work to encourage individuals, groups and organisations to Step Up and become part of the solution, Speak Out against domestic violence and assist in providing Support to survivors.



How you can help

1. Step Up

Step Up and become a Volunteer and join your local Friends with Dignity team.

2. Speak Out

Speak Out against domestic violence to your friends, family and colleagues.

3. Support

Support our programs by organising a workplace or community group drive/fundraiser or consider donating new or quality second hand household furniture, items and whitegoods (accepted on an as needed basis).

Our Mission Statement

A collaborative national Not For Profit focused on improving the quality of life of any Adult and Child impacted by Domestic Violence through the provision of financial and tangible resources, programs and scholarships and enhancing the personal safety of individuals.

Our Vision

To ease the impact of Domestic Violence on Individuals and the Community regardless of race, ethnicity, gender or sexuality.

Want to get involved?

More ways you can help

Volunteer With Us

Volunteering with Friends with Dignity is an amazing opportunity to be a part of a team that aims to restore dignity and hope to survivors of domestic violence.

Our range of programs provide many different ways in which you can help and we are always looking for compassionate, enthusiastic people willing to StepUp SpeakOut Support and join our growing teams throughout Australia.

We believe in having fun whilst volunteering and doing what you enjoy! From volunteering in our sanctuary program, to assisting at community engagements and fundraising events, to providing technical or administrative support, what ever your skills or interests, we would love to have you join us!

Our volunteering arrangements are flexible and we believe in doing what you can, when you can!

Become a corporate partner

Friends with Dignity is 100% self funded and currently does not receive any government funding. We achieve our funding through Corporate Donations, Sponsorship (both in-kind and financial) and hosting major Fundraising Events.

By becoming a Corporate Partner or Sponsor of Friends with Dignity, you'll be joining some of Australia's most significant organisations sending key messages to your target audience and a strong message of social responsibility

There is no other investment that will give you a greater return to your target market

Our partnership opportunities include Financial and non-financial assistance and are tailored to ensure that all parties benefit from the collaboration.

Host a workplace drive or independent fundraiser

Hosting a workplace drive or an independent fundraiser is a great way to encourage others to SpeakOut against domestic violence and at the same time, provide much needed support for our Programs.

We've found that there are so many members of our communities wanting to help in the fight against domestic violence, yet they are unsure how to. A drive or fundraiser is a great way to bring these individuals together! Promoting conversations around domestic violence that are focused on support and solutions, the items and funds raised or donated go directly to domestic violence survivors.



Why we need sponsorship

Friends with Dignity is a registered Charity organisation that is 100% self funded and currently does not receive ANY government funding. We are run entirely by a passionate and dedicated team of Volunteers and an experienced team of professionals, all of whom donate their time, services and resources. Without support from the Community in general, we simply could not do what we do.

Whilst there are costs associated with staging high-end events as outlined further, our main objective of these Events is to raise as much money as possible for Friends with Dignity and to raise awareness of Domestic Violence Prevention within the Community.

This is why we are seeking sponsorship and support, both in kind and financial donations. As a Registered Not-For Profit Charity, we have full DGR accreditation meaning that all financial donations are 100% tax deductible. We also encourage you to seek your own Accounting advice.

Interested in being a sponsor?

For more information on sponsoring one of the Friends with Dignity events or to register your interest.



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