

Stroud Women's Refuge

Statistics around domestic abuse/violence

- 26% of women over 16 years old experience domestic abuse/violence
- 2 or 3 women are murdered every week in the UK – in their own homes
- 750,000 children witness domestic violence in their own homes every year - leading to trauma and child protection issues
- On average women live with domestic abuse for over 2 years before finding help. Refuges are their last resort

Stroud Women's Refuge [the only one in Gloucestershire] provides

- Sanctuary and support for approximately 34 women and 41 children a year in the refuge
- Support for roughly a further 36 women and 49 children a year in the community
- Specialist services to help the children deal with their trauma
- Empowering training courses to enable women to develop the skills and confidence to start a new life
- Workshops educating hundreds of young people and professionals about domestic abuse issues

How we can help

- Stroud Women's Refuge needs to raise £300,000 a year to run all these services [with no government funding]
- Write to our MP/campaign
- Pray