



*Mid-Ulster*

# Work of Women's Aid

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# What is Domestic Violence

“ the intentional and persistent physical or emotional abuse of a woman or a woman and her children in such a way that causes pain, distress or injury.”

WAFNI

# P S N I Statistics 2018 - 2019

Total number of domestic related incidents reported to police in:

■ Northern Ireland	31,682
■ Mid-Ulster	1912
—Increase of <b>239</b>	

# **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS A CRIME**

PSNI's statistics show that domestic abuse crimes  
**increased by 99 = 16%**  
of all police recorded crime.

**The police responded to a  
domestic incident  
every 16 minutes of every day of the year**

# What Does Women's Aid Offer?

- S** - safety.
- E** - emotional support.
- L** - listen & believe
- F** - family – women, children & young people
- H** - housing – emergency accommodation
- E** - education.
- L** - long term support – *can be* up to 2 years
- P** - practical assistance

All these activities take place within a self help ethos

# Mid-Ulster Women's Aid

- ✓ Refuge Accommodation – 44 women/31 children
- ✓ Unable to accommodate – 82 women/ 54 children
- ✓ Floating Support Service – 388 referrals
- ✓ Child and Family Support – 69 children
- ✓ Domestic violence awareness raising
- ✓ Inter-agency working with PSNI, NIHE, Health and Social Care Trusts etc.

# Programmes

- Journey to Freedom
- My Life, My Choices
- You and Me, Mum
- Healthy Relationships and Positive Relationships – Post Primary Schools' programmes (16 schools)

Funded by Mid Ulster District Council and PCSP

- Social Guardian Training – Train teachers to deliver Helping Hands (protective behaviour programme) – Funded by Dept of Education

# ***QUESTIONS?***





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