

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN BEGINS WITH GENDER INEQUALITY



Violence against women is serious, prevalent and driven by GENDER INEQUALITY


GENDERED DRIVERS
of violence against women:

CONDONING of violence against women	MEN'S CONTROL of decision-making and limits to women's independence	STEREOTYPED constructions of masculinity and femininity	DISRESPECT towards women and male peer relations that emphasise aggression
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Gender inequality sets the **NECESSARY SOCIAL CONTEXT**

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MATTERS ARE DEALT WITH EVERY DAY BY AUSTRALIAN POLICE

Every week one **WOMAN IS MURDERED** by her current or former partner

Violence against women IS PREVENTABLE
if we all work together

ACTIONS
that will prevent violence against women:

CHALLENGE condoning of violence against women	PROMOTE women's independence & decision-making	CHALLENGE gender stereotypes and roles	STRENGTHEN positive, equal and respectful relationships
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Promote and normalise **GENDER EQUALITY** in public and private life

MUTUALLY REINFORCING ACTIONS ARE NEEDED THROUGH LEGISLATION, INSTITUTIONAL, POLICY AND PROGRAM RESPONSES:

- by governments, organisations and individuals
- in settings where people live, work, learn and socialise
- tailored to the context and needs of different groups.

