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Tasmania

"What if I choose to make a report, or seek forensic medical evidence or a claim?"

Specialist Responses to Sexualised Violence

[My Dignity - My body is mine](#) hosts national contacts for support services. In addition this directory hosts information for the state of Tasmania (TAS) about specialist responses to sexualised violence from police, women's legal services and victim services. The directory is not exhaustive. Victims of sexualised violence may choose other options for support.

Women's Legal Services in Tasmania

Women's Legal Service Tasmania

Women's Legal Service Tasmania is a free statewide community legal service, with offices in Hobart, Burnie and Launceston. It offers:

- a telephone advice line where women across Tasmania can get confidential and free legal advice and referral on all legal matters including family law, family violence, civil and criminal law, estate and property law from highly skilled legal staff
- at times, casework for clients throughout Tasmania who need representation with their legal matters
- community legal education sessions and workshops and publications.

Telephone Legal Advice Line: 1800 682 468. This number will not appear on your phone bill.

Website <https://womenslegaltas.org.au/>.

Quick Exit: Women's Legal Service Tasmania website has a quick exit button.

National Relay Service (NRS)

The National Relay Service (NRS) is an Australia wide phone service for people who have hearing or speech difficulties. NRS can help you contact Women's Legal Service Tasmania, stay in touch and get things done.

You can make a call or receive a call at the website [National Relay Service \(nrscall.gov.au\)](http://nrscall.gov.au)

Launceston Office: (03) 6349 1943, or call in Ground Floor, 63-65 Cameron Street, Launceston.

Burnie Office: (03) 6419 7050, or visit 60A Wilmot Street, Burnie.



Tasmanian Police

Sexual Assault

Tasmania Police does not currently publish information on sexual assault other than to refer to support services at www.police.tas.gov.au/useful-links/sexual-assault-support-services/

Family Violence

Tasmania Police applies a pro-intervention policy in relation to family violence and participates in the Safe at Home* initiative which aims to enable adult and child victims to remain in or quickly return to their own home in safety wherever possible.

For urgent assistance phone police on Triple Zero (000).

To report a non-urgent incident of family violence, call the Tasmania Police Assistance Line on **131 444** or attend your local police station to make a report.

People with hearing impairments can call TTY 106.

Website: www.police.tas.gov.au/what-we-do/family-violence/

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There are Family Violence Units in each of the three police regions. Members of these teams are able to provide a range of services to support victims in crisis situations and improve their safety.

Family violence involving a police officer can be reported through Professional Standards on 03 6173 2158 or by completing a [Statement of Complaint](#) and emailing it to professional.standards@police.tas.gov.au

*To read more about the Safe at Home initiative

www.safeathome.tas.gov.au/

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Tasmania Victims Services

Sexual Assault Support

Crisis support, counselling and support with forensic medical examination is offered in the South by the Sexual Assault Support Service (SASS) and in the North and North West by Laurel House. The service is free, confidential and for people of all ages who have been affected by any form of sexual violence. Support is also available to family members, carers, friends of survivors and professionals working with people affected by sexual harm.

Counselling and support are available Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm. Crisis Support is available 24/7 at 1800 MYSUPPORT (1800 697 877). Crisis support includes support to report to Police or to have a forensic medical examination.

SASS also offers:

- services to anyone considering applying to, or applying to, the National Redress Scheme for people who have experienced institutional child sexual abuse.
- assessment and therapeutic intervention program for children and young people (aged 17 years and under) who are displaying harmful sexual behaviour. Email: hsbprogram@sass.org.au

Hobart

<https://www.sass.org.au/> Quick Exit: The SASS website has a quick exit button.

Ground Floor, 31-33 Tower Road, New Town, TAS 7008

(03) 6231 0044

admin@sass.org.au

Launceston

<https://laurelhouse.org.au/for-you/> Quick Exit: The Laurel House website has a quick exit button.

PO Box 1062, Launceston TAS 7250

(03) 5334 2740

info@laurelhouse.org.au

Burnie & Devonport

<https://laurelhouse.org.au/for-you/> Quick Exit: The Laurel House website has a quick exit button.

PO Box 499, Burnie TAS 7320

(03) 6431 9711

info@laurelhouse.org.au





MY DIGNITY
MY BODY IS MINE

“ Just because I couldn't stop it
doesn't mean I let it happen. ”

A resource for people who have experienced sexual violence or people
who would like to learn more. *Contains examples of violence and abuse.

[My Dignity - My body is mine](#)



Use the QR Code to
open the My Dignity
landing page on
Insight Exchange

www.insightexchange.net

*The Insight Exchange website
has a safe exit button.*