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White Ribbon Day National Day to Stop Men's Violence against Women

Wearing a white ribbon on White Ribbon Day represent the pledge to never commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women.

We all need to acknowledge the rights of women and treat each other as equals. This day signifies and acknowledges those affected by domestic violence and sends a message to the community that it is time to speak out and put an end to domestic violence.

Abuse and violence against women is NOT OK. We must all show respect for each other as individuals, I believe educating our youth and young men of the future regarding the importance of this quality is key to stamping out violence against women.

Geoff is pleased to see the State Government is taking a stand to help victims of Domestic Violence by:

- 'Women's Domestic Violence court Assistance Service' came into effect July 2015 for women who are apply for, or already have, an intervention order. Contact: 1800 VICTIM (842846) or visit: www.victimsa.org
- Support women who work in the public service to receive an additional 15 days special leave in these circumstances commencing early 2016.
- South Australia is taking a steps towards introducing a scheme to allow a person's history of domestic violence to be disclosed to a new partner, and a discussion paper will be released next year seeking community views on an appropriate model and identify other potential areas of reform.

But above all is our ability to increase community awareness, and encourage women affected by Domestic Violence to speak out and seek help.

Geoff is proud to be a White Ribbon Ambassador and encourages other men to swear an oath to stand up, speak out and act to prevent men's violence against women.

If you or someone you know needs help:

Victim Support Service 8633 4888 or 1800 842 846
Mid North Domestic Violence Service *Port Pirie* 0428 326 540 or *Clare* 0428 326 530
Domestic Violence Help Line (SA) 1300 782 200 or 1800 800 098
National Sexual Assault, Domestic and Family Violence Counselling Service 1800RESPECT
For more information on White Ribbon Day visit: <http://www.whiteribbon.org.au>

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