

Local government walk against violence

A state-wide Domestic and Family Violence Awareness Event and 'Red Bench Relay'

Queenslanders will participate in 16 days of activism against gender-based violence from the **25th November to the 10th of December**.

To mark the occasion and showcase the sectors commitment to raising awareness of domestic & family violence, the Local Government Association of Queensland is inviting all councils to participate in a 'walk against violence'.

How can your council participate?

- Anytime between 25th of November and the 10th December, stage a short walk in your community. Councils with 'red benches' in their communities are encouraged to go 'out and back' from one red bench to another.
- If a council does not have a red bench but want to participate in the walk they can start and finish from the main council offices. Walks can be between 1km and 5km.
- You may also wish to have your walk feature Walks can also feature service providers, survivors of abuse or other key stakeholders in your local community.
- Councils may also wish to have a breakfast, or a BBQ fundraiser post-walk.
- Find a champion: invite a senior member of staff, CEO or mayor to support or attend with the walk.

The LGAQ is pleased to participate in the event with its own staff from its own red bench situated outside of Local Government House.

Where can I learn more about red benches and the work of the Red Rose Foundation?

The Red Rose Foundation launched the Red Bench Project to build a permanent reminder that domestic violence occurs within all of our communities.

The presence of a Red Bench in a public location aims to raise public awareness and provide an opportunity for this important issue to remain visible. The Red Rose Foundation are aiming to have at least one Red Bench in every local government area in Queensland.

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