

- **EmployAbilities** <https://employabilities.ab.ca/>
 - Provides skill development, education, employment programs, and support services to adults and youth with disabilities, medical conditions, mental health challenges, permanent injuries, and other barriers to employment
 - They also assist Newcomers in finding employment through their free 'Pre-Employment Program' https://employabilities.ab.ca/newcomers/?gclid=EAAlaQobChMln-T36tux_wIVPXNvBB3eJAiGEAMYASAAEgIVb_D_BwE
- **Lives In Transition** <https://litinc.ca/about-us/>
 - In partnership with Government, Lives in Transition works with victims of violence and vulnerable women by helping eliminate barriers preventing them from accessing employment through education and employment placement and skills training
- **Women Building Futures** <https://womenbuildingfutures.ca/>
 - They offer programs and services to help women explore starting a career in the trades. This includes training and connection to employers that pay above a living wage.
- **Edmonton Violence Prevention Centre** <http://www.edmontonvpc.ca/>
 - Offers programs, education, training, and support to victims of family/domestic/intimate partner violence
- **Suit Yourself** <http://www.suityourselfclothes.org/>
 - Getting an interview or even the job means business clothing is needed so Suit Yourself provides complete outfits for women trying to enter/re-enter the workforce after adversity. This can include underwear, bras, suits, dresses, blouses, shoes, boots, coats, jewelry, etc.
- **CBC Article** <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/new-training-offered-to-health-care-workers-who-care-for-victims-of-sexual-assault-in-rural-alberta-1.6809782>
 - "New training offered to health-care workers who care for victims of sexual assault in rural Alberta" – April 2023

REAL ESTATE – HOUSING

- **Journal of Commerce – by ConstructConnect Article**

Edmonton housing Edmonton housing supports women, children fleeing domestic violence (Nov 2021)

- New 134 townhome rental community in Creekwood Chappelle neighbourhood (SW Edmonton)
- One of the first purpose-built communities where over 30% of the suites will be dedicated to affordable housing and specifically, for women and children fleeing domestic violence
- <https://canada.constructconnect.com/joc/news/projects/2021/11/edmonton-housing-supports-women-children-fleeing-domestic-violence>

- **Resources for Family Violence and Abuse (CMHA)** https://edmonton.cmha.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/2019-05_211_ResourceList_FamilyViolenceAbuse.pdf

- **informALBERTA.ca** <https://informalberta.ca/public/results/relatedSubjects.do?taxonomyQueryId=5423>

Transitional Housing/Shelters

- **Lurana Shelter** <https://cssalberta.ca/Our-Services/Domestic-Abuse-Shelters-Support/Lurana-Shelter>

Provides information and resources on the following topics

- Alberta Residential Tenancies Act
- Alberta Works Fleeing Abuse Supports Fact Sheet
- Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation – Rental Search Worksheet
- Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation – The Credit Check
- Consumer Tips: Information for Tenants
- The Residential Tenancies (Safer Spaces for Victims of Domestic Violence) Amendment Act

- **Catholic Social Services** <https://www.cssalberta.ca/Our-Services/Domestic-Abuse-Shelters-Support>

Domestic Abuse Shelters + Supports

- **Edmonton Violence Prevention Centre (EVPC)** <http://www.edmontonvpc.ca/resources/>

Serves to improve the behavioral, emotional, and overall mental health of individuals, families, and communities

Provides group treatment, advocacy, and education to reduce the incidents of family violence and increase awareness and understanding of family violence and its impact.

Connect with EVPV

- Phone: 780.439.4635
- Email: info@edmontonvpc.ca
- Address: #115, 9303 – 34 Ave NW, Edmonton, AB T6E 5W8

- **City of Edmonton** https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/for_family_individuals/family-violence-prevention-team

The Family Violence Prevention Team

- We work to prevent family violence and elder abuse, and all forms of gender-based violence. The team supports those affected by family violence with work in the community to raise awareness and take action against it. Our team champions individual and community efforts to stop the cycle of violence. We engage community members and provide education.

Domestic Abuse High-Risk Team (DAHRT)

- DAHRT is a partnership between social workers from the City of Edmonton and the Edmonton Police Service. The team:
 - Contacts victims after there has been a police report of domestic violence
 - Assesses risk and provides safety options and support to victims
 - Makes recommendations to the court concerning victim safety
 - Partners with other agencies to assist victims

- **WINGS of Providence** <https://wingsofprovidence.ca/>

WINGS – Women In Need Growing Stronger (from website)

- WINGS saves women and children who are escaping domestic abuse by delivering secure long-term housing and wrap-around support services to help families 24/7.
 - While these fully furnished apartments provide needed shelter for survivors, WINGS does much more than provide a roof over their heads.
- WINGS creates a safe and welcoming home for women and children.
 - Our trauma informed approach, intensive counseling, onsite childcare, life skills training, as well as child and youth programs – encourage healing for the whole family.

- We give women time to process and the tools they need to recover from the horrific trauma they have experienced.
- Our full-circle healing helps women and children become more stable, access new skills and set a healthy course for their lives.
- We deliver our programming with kindness and compassion and provide transformational support that changes the lives of women and children.

Connect with WINGS

- Phone: 780.426.4985
- Online Email Form: <https://wingsofprovidence.ca/contact-us/>

▪ Stop Abuse in Families (SAiF) Society <https://www.saifsociety.ca/>

From their website:

- We provide services to those who have experienced and/or witnessed family violence and abuse.
- We do not discriminate based on gender, race, orientation, income or disability.
- We do our best to accommodate all those in our service area who come seeking support, advocacy, and/or education.
- We accept referrals from other organizations, medical professionals as well as individuals calling on behalf of themselves or a loved one.

Contact SAiF

- Phone: 780.460.2195
- Email: info@saifsociety.ca
- Location: St. Albert

Info & Resources for Family Violence

- Call 211 to also help you find services across Alberta
- **CRISIS LINES (24 hrs) - If you are in immediate danger, please call 911.**
 - [Family Violence Info Line: 780-310-1818](tel:780-310-1818)

- [Distress/Suicide Prevention Line: 780-482-HELP \(4357\)](tel:780-482-4357)
- [Sexual Assault Centre Crisis Line: 780-423-4121](tel:780-423-4121)
- [Seniors Abuse Helpline: 780-454-8888](tel:780-454-8888)
- [Addiction & Mental Health Access 24/7: 780-424-2424](tel:780-424-2424)

• DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS

- [WIN House: 24 hr women & children shelter \(Edmonton\)](#) 780-479-0058
- [Herb Jamieson: shelter for adult men \(Edmonton\)](#) 780-429-3470
- [Alberta Council of Women's Shelters: \[acws.ca\]\(http://acws.ca\)](#) 1-866-331-3933
- [Jessie's House: 24 hr family shelter \(Sturgeon County\)](#) 1-866-939-2850

• HOUSING & INCOME SUPPORT

- [St Albert Rental Assistance Program](#) 780-459-0599 (ext 5)
- [St. Albert Alberta Supports Centre](#) 780-419-3907
- [St. Albert Food Bank & Community Village](#) 780-459-0599
- [Emergency Income Supports after hours](#) 1-866-644-5135
- [Safer Spaces \(emergency termination of residential tenancy\)](#)

• LEGAL SERVICES

- [Emergency Protection Order Program \(Edmonton\):](#) 780-422-9222
 - [Victim Services Unit in Alberta: \[victims.alberta.ca\]\(http://victims.alberta.ca\)](#) 780-427-3460
 - [Willownet - Abuse & The Law in Alberta:](#) 780-451-8764
 - [Elizabeth Fry Society - Courtworks:](#) 780-422-4775

- [Edmonton Community Legal Centre \(Family Law\)](#): 780-702-1725

- **Edmonton John Howard Society (EJHS)** <https://johnhoward.org/programs-services/family-violence-prevention-centre/>

A non-profit, charitable organization serving young people without support systems, victims, and people at risk or involved with the justice system

- Believes in restoring lives, preventing crime, and strengthening communities

- **Connect with EJHS**

- Phone: 780.428.7590
- Address: #401, 10010 – 105 St. NW, Edmonton, AB T5J 1C4

- **Edmonton Social Planning Council** <https://edmontonsocialplanning.ca/2022/10/26/cm-where-do-you-go-when-home-isnt-safe-domestic-violence-shelter-options-in-alberta/>

Where to go when home isn't safe

- **Safer Spaces Certificate to end tenancy (if necessary)** <https://www.alberta.ca/safer-spaces-certificate.aspx>

Tenants can end their tenancy agreement without financial penalty by getting a certificate confirming they're victims of domestic violence.

ACCESSING HELP – LEGAL – ABUSE INFO - RESOURCES

1. **Call the Today Centre's Intake + Assessment office** – Amanda suggests first that this woman contact us and have a discussion with Family Violence Specialist here who is trained to ask the right questions and assist in so many ways. She can call, talk to someone, and make arrangements for coming in (or phone, online chat, or zoom) and discussing her unique situation and issues on an ongoing basis for the next while until she is in a better position to understand her rights, etc.

How to contact The Today Centre's Intake + Assessment team

- **By Phone:** 780.455.6880

- **By Email:** info@thetodaycentre.ca

- **Online:**

Website: <https://www.thetodaycentre.ca/>

- **I Need Help section:** <https://www.thetodaycentre.ca/i-need-help>

- **Live Chat Line:** Click the "CHAT NOW" button on the bottom left hand corner of any web page to chat online with an Intake Specialist

- As soon as one accesses our website (any page) a Chat Box will pop up with information on how to contact us, if in danger..., is it safe for us to contact you back, leave a message, leave contact info for us to connect back, etc.

- **IMPORTANT:** Every webpage has a "QUICK EXIT" button in the bottom right hand corner in case the abuser walks in while using. And, it leaves zero history so the abuser cannot find out there has been research done and/or if contact has been made to get help

2. **Reach out to legal services** – Below are a few suggestions she can start with to reach out for legal assistance. Even if these end up not being exactly what she needs, perhaps one of them can point her in the right direction to take next.

- **Lawyer Referral Services** <https://www.lawsociety.ab.ca/public/lawyer-referral/lawyer-referral-request/>

Connects you with up to 3 lawyers (voluntarily signed up to assist) once you provide some information on the situation

- First 30-minutes of conversation with a lawyer is unbilled – anything extra is billed
- Used to discuss legal issues, options, potential costs, and fit for your issue(s) (not to provide legal advice)

Toll Free: From anywhere in Alberta, Saskatchewan, Lower Mainland British Columbia, Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut: 1.800.661.1095

Online Email Form

- **Student Legal Services of Alberta** <https://www.slsedmonton.com/> (780) 492-2226

In-Person

- University (Main) 11036 88th Avenue
- Downtown (Criminal) #203, 9924 - 106 Street
 - **Note:** This location is not wheelchair accessible. If required, we can arrange to meet you at our University location. Please call ahead to arrange this.

By Phone

- Administration (780) 492-2226 / sloed@ualberta.ca
- Criminal Project (780) 425-3356
- Civil & Family Project (780) 492-8244
- Human Rights Project (780) 492-8287
- Legal Education & Reform Project legaled@ualberta.ca
- Special Initiatives Project (780) 492-8287

3. Other resources

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Find family violence supports

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- **Government of Canada**

Find family violence services and resources in your area

- <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/health-promotion/stop-family-violence/services.html>

Crisis lines and services in your province or territory

- **Important numbers**

- Family Violence Information Line: 1-780-310-1818 (toll-free, 24/7, multilingual service available)
- Alberta Abuse Helpline: 1-855-443-5722
- Alberta 24/7 Community and Social Services Helpline: 211
- Alberta's One Line for Sexual Violence: 1-866-403-8000
- Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-387-5437
- Distress Line: 780-482-4357
- Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868

