

# WHAT IS SAFE.EVERYWHERE.ALWAYS?

Get equipped to join the Safe.Everywhere.Always. campaign and communicate effectively in your workplace.

- **What is the history of 16 Days Of Activism against Gender-Based Violence?**

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence began with a petition circulated at the 1991 United Nations World Conference on Human Rights. The petition urged the conference to address women's rights and recognise gender-based violence as a human rights issue.

Now, 34 years later, this global campaign each year promotes action to prevent and stop violence against women and girls. The campaign starts on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (25 November) and concludes on International Human Rights Day (10 December), symbolically connecting violence against women with broader human rights.

During these 16 days, individuals and organisations worldwide work to raise awareness about women's rights and the status of gender-based violence.

- **What is UN Women Australia's campaign, Safe.Everywhere.Always?**

A woman should be safe no matter where she is, what she's doing or what she's wearing.

Women should be safe at work.

Women should be safe at home.

Women should be safe online.

Women should be safe commuting.

Women should be safe on a run.

Women should be safe on a night out.

Women should be safe after dark.

Women should be Safe. Everywhere. Always.

Safe.Everywhere.Always. is UN Women Australia's call to action to come together and commit to meaningful change to end violence against women. We all have a role to play in making safer spaces for women everywhere and always. Safe.Everywhere.Always. runs during the UN's 16 Days of Activism from **25 November – 10 December**.

The Safe. Everywhere. Always. Walk is a fitness and fundraising challenge in support of UN Women Australia. From 25 November to 10 December during the 16 Days of Activism, a global campaign against gender-based violence, Australians will be encouraged to walk, run or roll 30 to 100kms over 16 days while raising funds to support global programs addressing violence against women and girls.

[Register](#) to take the challenge today.

- **Why is Safe.Everywhere.Always important?**

In Australia:



1 woman is killed every 4 days



1 in 2 women will be sexually harassed in their lifetime



1 in 3 women have been physically or sexually assaulted

These are not just statistics; it's a national disgrace. We all have a role to play in making **SAFER** spaces for women **EVERYWHERE** and **ALWAYS**.

- **Where do the funds raised go?**

The UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women is the only global grant-giving mechanism exclusively dedicated to preventing and ending violence against women and girls globally. Focusing on preventing violence, implementing laws and policies, and improving access to vital services for survivors, the UN Trust Fund invests in life-changing initiatives for millions of women and girls around the world and has done so for 25 years.

Over two decades of persistent efforts from global activists have resulted in improved international laws and standards to end violence against women and girls and is committed to funding organisations that are operating at the grassroots level, focused on women's rights, and that are women-led.

Find out more about the UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women [here](#).

**In 2023, UN Trust Fund projects reached over 7.7 million women and girls .**

- **Why is the UN Trust Fund necessary?**

Worldwide, one in three women will experience violence in their lives. From domestic violence to trafficking, it manifests in many forms with profound physical, psychological, and societal consequences.

Despite decades of advocacy, its prevalence remains alarmingly high. The UN Trust Fund supports legal reforms, social and cultural change, and provides vital resources to grassroots organisations working to eradicate violence against women and girls in all its forms. The UN Trust Fund provides crucial support to ensure women and girls are Safe. Everywhere. Always.

**Women should be Safe.Everywhere.Always.**