Escaping Violence Payment.

Are you, or someone you know, trying to leave or have left intimate partner violence? An intimate partner is someone you have been in a romantic relationship with such as husband, wife, partner, boyfriend, or girlfriend.

If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident, over 18 and have recently changed living situations and are experiencing financial stress, you could be eligible for the Escaping Violence Payment (EVP) program.

The EVP program offers financial assistance to help you move forward and set up a home free of violence.

The EVP program is supported by the Australian Government and run by the UnitingCare network. There are EVP teams in every state and territory available to help you.

How does it work?

The EVP program provides up to \$5,000 financial assistance including:

- up to \$1,500 in cash (or cash equivalent)
- up to \$3,500 in goods and services such as removalists, bonds or household items.

The mix of this financial assistance will be based on your needs and preferences.

Am I eligible?

The EVP program is available if you are:

- 18 years or over
- an Australian citizen, permanent resident or holder of a protected special category visa living in Australia
- planning to change or have changed your living arrangements within the last 12 weeks due to intimate partner violence
- experiencing financial stress and have not accessed EVP in the past 12 months.

How do I access the payment?

You can apply online via the website **unitingvictas.org.au/escaping-violence-payment**. If you need help to complete your application, call 1800 387 387. Or if you have a support worker, they can assist you with your application and apply online on your behalf.



Scan to learn more

To apply for the EVP program, visit unitingvictas.org.au/escaping-violence-payment



Please be aware that the EVP program is not an emergency response service. If you are in danger, call **000** immediately.

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like support
with making
a safety plan,
you can contact
1800 RESPECT
or 1800 737 732
or their online
chat service.

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