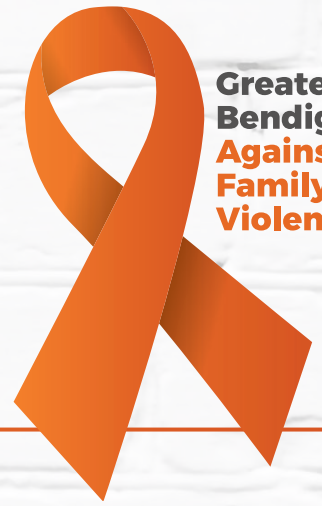


# 16 Days of Activism against gender-based violence November 25 to December 10, 2024

**Greater Bendigo  
Against Family  
Violence**



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## Keep a look out!

### Things you can do and see during the 16 Days



#### Let's Spread the word – Respect!

This year the 'Respect Is' display has expanded. The messaging of this display is now located throughout Greater Bendigo. Visit as many sites as possible, take a selfie and share your pictures to Facebook [www.facebook.com/GBAgainstFamilyViolence](https://www.facebook.com/GBAgainstFamilyViolence)

You can find pop up displays at:

**Bendigo Conservatory Gardens**, 19 Park Road, Bendigo (don't forget to visit at night when the Conservatory will be lit up orange)

**Lansell Square**, 267 High Street, Kangaroo Flat

**Bendigo Marketplace Hub**, 116-120 Mitchell Street, Bendigo (November 25 - 29)

**Bendigo Library**, 259 Hargreaves Street, Bendigo

**Heathcote Library**, 125 High Street, Heathcote

**Eaglehawk Library**, 1 Sailors Gully Road, Eaglehawk

**Kangaroo Flat Library**, 23 Lockwood Street, Kangaroo Flat

**Elmore Library Agency**, Athenaeum Hall, 62 Michie Street, Elmore

**Long Gully Neighbourhood Centre**, 52-54 Derwent Drive, Long Gully

**Heathcote Community House**, 55 Hospital Street, Heathcote

**The Old Church on the Hill**, 36 Russell Street, Quarry Hill

**Kangaroo Flat Community House**, 21 Woolcock Avenue, Kangaroo Flat

**Red Energy Arena**, 91 Inglis Street, West Bendigo

#### **The Future is in Our Hands Art Exhibition**

*The Future is in Our Hands* is a community-driven art exhibition supporting the 16 Days of Activism at Pennyweight Outdoor Story Gallery, supporting the 16 Days of Activism to raise awareness about gender-based violence. It features quotes from male community leaders reflecting on respect and the role men play in eliminating gender-based violence. View the hand paste up from our young people voicing what respect means to them in their vision for a safe and gender equal future.

#### **Online training opportunities – Let's learn during the 16 Days!**

##### **LGBTIQA+ Training**

Take this free 45 minute online training to learn how to support LGBTIQA+ people experiencing family violence. [www.dvafoundation.org/see-hear-believe](https://www.dvafoundation.org/see-hear-believe)

##### **Men as Allies training**

Take this free 2-hour online training to understand your role as an ally in promoting gender equality and preventing gender-based violence. [whvtraining.com.au/product/men-as-allies](https://whvtraining.com.au/product/men-as-allies)

##### **Introduction to Gender Equality training**

Take this free 45-minute online training to build foundational knowledge of gender equality and the prevention of violence against women. Upon completion, you'll receive a certificate. [whvtraining.com.au/product/introduction-to-ge](https://whvtraining.com.au/product/introduction-to-ge)

##### **Introduction to the Prevention of Gender Based Violence training**

Take this free 45-minute online training to build foundational knowledge of the prevention of gender-based violence. Upon completion you'll receive a certificate. [whvtraining.com.au/product/pvaw-101](https://whvtraining.com.au/product/pvaw-101)

Get involved!



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If you or someone you know is experiencing family violence, support is available. You can contact: **Orange Door in Loddon** on 1800 512 369; **1800 Respect** on 1800 737 732 (24 hours); **Safe Steps** on 1800 015 188 (24 hours)



# Daily calendar of events

## Saturday November 16

### Showcase cricket match, 1.30pm

Emu Valley Cricket Association is hosting a showcase violence prevention cricket round between Marong Cricket Club and Sedgwick Cricket Club at Malong Park in Marong.

## Saturday November 23

### Heathcote Community Smiles Day, Barrack Reserve Stadium, 11am - 2pm

Come and enjoy a wide range of fun-filled activities at Heathcote Community Smiles Day. The day includes prize giveaways, live entertainment, free Santa photobooth and more.

## Monday November 25

### Storytime at the Bendigo Library with Anglicare Victoria, 11.15am

Join us for a reading of *Rainbow Fox*, a story about emotions, gender, and safety, created by the children from Lightning Reef Early Learning Centre and artist Kathy Holowko. Developed with Communities for Children Bendigo and the Centre for Non-Violence, this book uses quirky characters to discuss gender equity in an age-appropriate way. The event includes songs and rhymes for all ages.

### Jelena Dokic: the inspiring story behind one of our greatest tennis champions, 5pm - 7pm

To launch the 16 Days of Activism to end gender-based violence, Greater Bendigo Against Family Violence, the City of Greater Bendigo, Zonta Club Inc and Arnold Dallas Mcpherson Bendigo are pleased to bring you an evening with Jelena Dokic.

Stalls from local organisations will be set up from 5pm in Ulumbarra Foyer. Participating agencies include Greater Bendigo Against Family Violence, Zonta, Anglicare Victoria and Women's Health Loddon Mallee

Remember to wear orange to show your support for a future free from violence for all!

## Tuesday November 26

### Together we can change the story: Exploring Men's Role in Building Respect and Equality, 10am - 11.30am

Join us in conversation with gender equality advocates Tarang Chawla, Mitch Nivalis and Mark Hands as we explore men's roles in building respect and equality to present gender-based violence

Register for this free event at [events.humanitix.com/exploring\\_mens\\_role\\_in\\_building\\_respect\\_and\\_equality](https://events.humanitix.com/exploring_mens_role_in_building_respect_and_equality)

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## Wednesday November 27

### Launch event – The Future is in Our Hands, Pennyweight Outdoor Story Gallery, 10am

Join us for the launch event of The Future is in Our Hands art exhibition in Pennyweight Walk Outdoor Story Gallery. As part of the launch, schoolchildren will add their voices to the exhibition by pasting decorated hands that convey their own visions of respect and hopes for a future free from violence.

### Bendigo Braves say no to violence video, 11am

Release of the Bendigo Braves says no to violence video on Greater Bendigo Against Family Violence Facebook page.

## Friday November 29

### Join us at the Bendigo Library for a screening of *Gaslight* (1944, rated PG), 5.30pm - 7.30pm

*Gaslight* is a classic psychological thriller about a newlywed who suspects her husband of trying to drive her insane, prompting the term of 'gaslighting'. At times chilling with abuse of an insidious kind – starring Ingrid Bergman, and nominated for 7 Oscars in 1945.

### Coffee with a Cop, Barrack Reserve Oval and Stadium, 10am - 11.30am

Come and join Victoria Police for a 16 Days of Activism Coffee with a Cop event.

### Walk for Respect, Barrack Reserve Oval and Stadium, 11am - 2pm

After you have enjoyed a coffee join Heathcote Health, Women's Health Loddon Mallee, Respect Victoria and No to Violence for the Walk for Respect around the oval followed by a light lunch.

### Author talk with Hana Assafiri, Bendigo Library, 11am - 12pm

Bendigo Library is hosting a free author talk from Hana Assafiri. Hana is a much-loved Melbourne personality, founder of Moroccan Soup Bar and a social activist. Her book is moving and inspirational memoir that confronts issues around family violence, food and women's equality. There will be the opportunity to purchase Hana's book and have it signed. Book here: [www.eventbrite.com.au/e/hana-assafiri-hana-tickets-967208575887](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/hana-assafiri-hana-tickets-967208575887)

### Red Energy Arena Pop Up stall, 4pm - 6pm

Come and see us at Red Energy Arena to collect your FREE 16 Days of Activism merchandise and see the 16 Days of Activism messaging that is rotating on static screens in the foyer.

### Launch of New Educational Campaign Resources, Library Gallery, LaTrobe University Bendigo Campus, 5.30pm - 7.15pm

Join us as we launch new educational resources for regional sports communities. This initiative, funded by the State of Victoria and developed in collaboration with La Trobe University's Rural Health School and Sports Focus, aims to support our community in better understanding, preventing, and responding to gender-based violence.

This event is a valuable opportunity to learn about the resources and how they can be used within your sports community.

To register attendance: please contact [laurenf@sportsfocus.com.au](mailto:laurenf@sportsfocus.com.au)

## Monday December 2

### Family Violence within the Workplace, Activity Room 1, Bendigo Library/Zoom, 10.30am - 12pm

Join WIRE and the City of Greater Bendigo Council for an expert panel to discuss Family Violence in the workplace. The panel will feature a family violence & employment lawyer, a union representative and a family violence support worker. Topics include family violence leave, employee rights, supportive systems and general awareness.

[Register here.](#)

### INVEST in her future, Activity Room 1, Bendigo Library/Zoom, 12.30pm - 2pm

Join WIRE and the City of Greater Bendigo Council for an expert panel on promoting economic security and equity for women. The discussion will cover taking control of finances, generating secure income, and accessing resources like training and education. This event aims to empower women to achieve economic independence.

[Register here.](#)

## Tuesday December 3

### Warm Safe Home activity – Long Gully Neighbourhood House, Chatty Café, 10am

The Warm Safe Home project uses art-making to start conversations about elder abuse and to spread the message that everyone has the right to live free from violence and fear. Join us for a cuppa and get creative decorating a Warm Safe Home.

RSVP to [reception@lgnc.org.au](mailto:reception@lgnc.org.au)

### Today is International Day of People with Disability

What does violence against women with disabilities look like? The video below is part of a suite of Changing the landscape practice resources, produced in partnership by Our Watch and Women with Disabilities Victoria and supported by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

[youtu.be/oAVfcv7loQ8](https://youtu.be/oAVfcv7loQ8)

To view other videos in this resource visit: [www.ourwatch.org.au/change-the-story/changing-the-landscape/case-study-videos](https://www.ourwatch.org.au/change-the-story/changing-the-landscape/case-study-videos)

## Wednesday December 4

### Coffee with Cop and Lansell Square Pop Up Stall, Lansell Square, Kangaroo Flat, 10am - 11.30am

Come visit us at Lansell Square! Join Victoria Police for a coffee and chat at Muffin Break.

After your coffee come and head over to the pop-up stall opposite Cotton On to collect your FREE 16 Days of Activism merchandise

## Friday December 6

### Red Energy Arena Pop Up stall, 6pm - 8pm

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