

My boyfriend gets angry if he doesn't have money to go out with his mates. So I pay all the rent and the bills.

This is  
**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE!**

**#financialabuse**



*'Only MY name was on the lease. He trashed the place and dumped me. I am the one left to pay, both financially and with my reputation.'*

*'My ex-boyfriend maxed out my credit card without me knowing. I will be paying it off 'til I'm grey.'*

*'I went guarantor for my boyfriend's car loan. He crashed the car, it wasn't insured. Then he dumped me. Now I owe thousands of dollars.'*

**FINANCIAL ABUSE is a form of DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.**

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE is a CRIME.**

The Family Violence Protection Act 2008 states that women and their children can be protected from the following forms of family violence - physical, sexual, emotional/psychological, social, economic, racial, spiritual or cultural abuse.

**Contact:**

**Consumer Action Law Centre**

1300 881 020 <http://consumeraction.org.au/>

**National Financial Counselling Hot Line**

1800 007 007 To locate your local FC go to: [www.moneysmart.gov.au/managing-my-money/managing-debts/financial-counselling](http://www.moneysmart.gov.au/managing-my-money/managing-debts/financial-counselling)

**Community Legal Centres** provide free legal info.

To locate your local community legal centre go to: [www.naclc.org.au/clc\\_directory.php](http://www.naclc.org.au/clc_directory.php)

**No Interest Loans (NILS)**

To find a local provider go to: <http://goodshepherdmicrofinance.org.au/find-provider>

**Women's Domestic Violence Crisis Service**

1800 015 188 [www.wdvcs.org.au](http://www.wdvcs.org.au)

**Victims of Crime**

1800 000 055 [www.victimsofcrime.com.au](http://www.victimsofcrime.com.au)

**Victims Support Helpline**

1800 819 817 [www.justice.vic.gov.au/home/victims/](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au/home/victims/)