

Women's refuges offer shelter and a place to live for threatened and abused women and their children.

Women's refuges offer: reception round the clock, a place to live for up to a year, an atmosphere free from fear, playing facilities and pedagogical counselling for kids, on-site counselling as well as counselling via telephone for women concerned, support with coming to terms with experiences of violence and abuse.

Each woman is assigned her own room together with her children; some common rooms are available.

The staff members counsel the women in legal, financial, social and pedagogical matters and also help them to find a job and housing. If requested, they accompany women to public authorities and courts.

**WHAT IS VIOLENCE:** humiliation, insult, threats, emotional blackmail, financial abuse, abuse, battering, forced sexual contact, child abuse, forced marriage, deprivation of freedom.

Find more information on what each of the women's refuges offers on the respective websites.