

Equally Safe Falkirk

Working together to help families to heal from domestic abuse and improve family functioning

I'm worried about money if I leave

Are you worried about how you will manage to support yourself and your children if you leave your abusive partner?

Contact us.

We can help.

Keeping your money safe

Open your own bank account if you don't already have one. Consider moving to paperless or internet/ phone banking. If you are working let HMRC know of any changes. You may be entitled to additional tax allowances or credits.

HMRC Website

Benefits

If you are not working, you may be eligible for financial support, such as housing benefit, jobs seekers allowance or universal credit. Crisis payment may also be available to you if you have no money at all for you or your children. For information and advice contact your local Job Centre Plus or your local authority. Child benefit is payable to everyone who has children, regardless of other income.

If you are not already receiving this, contact HMRC.

You can also call us and we will help you to find out what you are entitled to.

Debt

If you are worried about debt or arrears, you should contact the debtor immediately to discuss options that are affordable for you. Your local Citizens Advice Bureau can also help

Citizens Advice Bureau

Joint Savings or Mortgage

You should contact a solicitor immediately. Your local Citizens Advice Bureau can give you a list of solicitors who deal with family law. You may be eligible for free legal advice.

Citizens Advice Bureau: Advice Guide

Guide to benefits relating to domestic violence.

Contact us for more information and help.

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