

# DASH'S URGENT APPEAL FOR £150,000 FOR ESSENTIAL WORK



Each week 2 women are murdered by their partners. Today we have women and children in our refuges and victims we are supporting in their own homes. We need to continue to support them all. **Social isolation increases the risk of abuse to those trapped at home with a perpetrator.**

The Dash Charity today launched a new campaign, highlighting the continued issue of the hidden epidemic of domestic abuse in light of funding challenges and donations crashing due to the virus. Supporting victims of domestic abuse has always been difficult, but now due to the COVID-19 outbreak we find ourselves in unprecedented times.

**We support some of the most vulnerable women, families and young people in our society.** Being trapped at home with someone who is violent is extremely dangerous and for young children it is even more frightening.

We have a huge battle now. We need to both protect our staff and continue to provide essential support services to our clients.

**We are asking you to give £10 monthly or one off donation today.** That's £2.50 a week.

Domestic abuse has risen by at least 30% in other countries affected by the virus and our community will be affected similarly. **We need to provide 1:2:1 support for the traumatised victims, young people and children we work with and without funding this work cannot continue.**

Today is a pivotal point in our charity's history and I am asking you to support us and the vulnerable clients we look after.

Please give today if you are able to via our website [thedashcharity.org.uk](http://thedashcharity.org.uk)  
And please look after yourselves and your families.

Thank you so much.  
Alison Bourne, CEO

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