

# Access to Shelter and Screening



## What is it?

### **Getting in the door**

Emergency shelter is available 24/7 and screening is conducted using evidence-based tools that balance available resources with individual needs.

## Why is it important?

### **Safety for those who need it most**

For survivors who are in need of a safe place to be, accessing shelter services can be the difference between life and death, or sometimes it can simply provide hope of another way forward from the experience of domestic violence.

## Is this required?

### **Yes!**

Agencies receiving Office of Family Violence funding must provide 24/7 access to emergency shelter for individuals in imminent danger.

## How do we make it happen?

### **Let the survivor lead**

Screening for shelter has the intention of providing safety and advocacy services for survivors with an array of experiences and needs. When shelter is the best option for an individual, the barriers to entry need to be minimized in every way possible.