



Give it a Miss Kringle 2017

Ditch the Office Kris Kringle and help change lives through safe steps Family Violence Response Centre

It's easy. Simply, get your workplace colleagues to pledge the money you would normally spend on the office Kris Kringle and help to make a huge difference in the lives of women and children escaping family violence.

It's really easy to Give Kris a Miss...

Just follow these four easy steps:

1. Figure out how much you would normally spend on your office or family Kris Kringle (i.e. \$10, \$20 or \$50)
2. Instead of buying a Kris Kringle gift, donate to help women and children through **safe steps** over our website safesteps.org.au/donate
3. Email fundraising@safesteps.org.au and let us know how much you donated on behalf of an office Kris Kringle (i.e. Organisation Name) or an individual (i.e. Sally Smith).
4. We will send you a personalised certificate which can be passed onto the recipient to show them of your donation to help women and children fleeing family violence over the Christmas period. We will also send you a funky badge that let's everyone know you gave Kris a Miss!

There's more...

- ❖ Each workplace that registers is eligible to go into the draw to win a Secret Santa Surprise Prize. The prize will be awarded to the workplace that makes the highest pledge. (All monies to be banked by 20th Dec to be eligible). Participants will also receive a Give it a Miss Kringle pack, including a "We gave Kris a Miss" certificate and a participation badge to let the world know you gave Kris a Miss.

For more information or to register your workplace or family' participation, email fundraising@safesteps.org.au or call Jasmin on 03 9928 9660



Why now?

As we begin to celebrate the end of the year, there are women and children in our community for whom the holiday season is a time of fear. It's a time when violence, which already exists in some relationships, worsens.

Last year, over the Christmas period, **safe steps** received 15,650 calls to our emergency family violence response line - a 54 per cent increase on same time in the previous year.

In 2016-2017, we received a record 91,057 calls via our 24/7 response phone lines from women seeking help for family violence. That's an average of 249 calls every day.

That's why it's vital that we, as individuals and as a community, make certain women and their children fleeing violence have all of the essential support they need.

More about safe steps Family Violence Response Centre...

From grassroots beginnings over 40 years ago, **safe steps** Family Violence Response Centre has grown to become **the leading first response service in Victoria** for women and their children experiencing family violence.

safe steps responds to women and children at risk by:

- Providing a specialist family violence response 24/7 including public holidays and weekends when other services are closed
- Providing comprehensive risk assessment carried out by skilled, specialist practitioners
- Assisting women to develop a safety plan
- Referring and linking women and children to support options in their community
- Providing safe emergency accommodation
- Supporting women into refuge or other accommodation options.

safe steps is the only family violence Victorian state-wide service that is available to help women and children 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.