

Who to contact in case of domestic violence?



(Lithuanian Police)

<https://policija.lrv.lt/en/>

Emergency Response Centre:



**Specialized Aid Centres
(SPC in Lithuanian)**

<https://socmin.lrv.lt/lt/veiklos-srityys-1/seima-ir-vaikai-2/seimos-politika/specializuotos-pagalbos-centrai>

State guaranteed legal aid

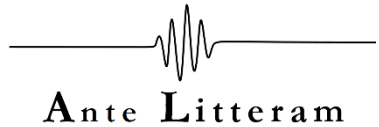
<http://www.teisinepagalba.lt/en/>

If violence is related to discrimination or hatred, you may additionally contact:

**Office of the Equal Opportunities Ombudsperson
(www.lygybe.lt/en/)**

or specialized NGOs, e.g.:

**Tolerant Youth Association
www.tja.lt/index.php/en/**



Project

“Campaign against domestic violence for the families of vulnerable groups”

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Aim of the Project:

- Prevention of domestic violence in families and social entities which include people from vulnerable groups (LGBT+, migrants);
- Promotion of social inclusion of the indicated groups and their families.

Project implemented by:
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Project partners:
Tolerant Youth Association,
Demos Institute of Critical Thought

Project financed by:



Ministry of Social Security and Labour of the Republic of Lithuania

Legal protection in Lithuania

Law on protection from domestic violence of the Republic of Lithuania :

- Pretrial investigation is mandatory in case of violence;
- Application of the victim is not required;
- Protective measures for victims are prescribed by law, such as temporary eviction of the perpetrator or prohibition to approach the victim.

What is violence?

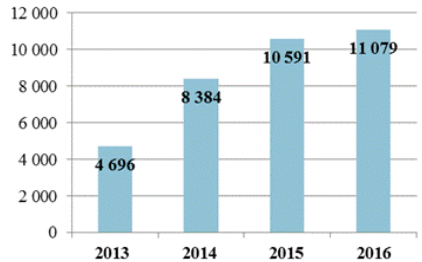
Violence is any deliberate physical, psychological, sexual, economic or other influence on a person, which, by means of activity or inactivity, causes physical, material or immaterial damages to that person.

Sometimes violence may be a manifestation of discrimination or constitute a hate crime

Lithuanian Constitution and the Law on equal opportunities:

prohibits any discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, nationality, citizenship, language, origin, social status, faith, beliefs or opinions, age, sexual orientation, disability, ethnicity, religion or other grounds.

Throughout Lithuania, **Specialized Aid Centres** (SPC in Lithuanian) provide complex aid to victims of domestic violence



Number of people who received specialized complex aid in 2013–2016

Source – Ministry of Social Security and Labour

Services provided by Specialized Aid Centres:

- Information, consulting;
- Psychological or legal aid, or organizing of provision thereof;
- Preparation of an individual plan of help and action;
- Cooperation with state, municipal and local institutions and organisations, NGOs, which provide sleepover, accommodation and other services;
- Mediation in provision of medical help.

The contacts of the nearest Specialized Aid Centre and other important information must be provided to the victim by police officers who arrive to the place of incident.