

Hamilton Urban Core Fact Sheet 1

Neighbours, Friends and Families Diverse Immigrant and Refugee Communities Hamilton Campaign

*“Woman abuse is a serious social problem in our community
and we believe that everyone can play a role in preventing it.”*

- Nadine Favics, NFF Immigrant and Refugee Communities Hamilton Project Coordinator

Intended to foster community organizing, the Neighbours, Friends and Families campaign provides Communities with information and strategies to help prevent woman abuse, including tools and educational activities to:

1. Recognize the warning signs of woman abuse
2. Support women and other members of the community who are impacted by woman abuse
3. Locate supportive resources in the community

We know that women in Canada who experience abuse are:

- three times more likely than male victims of abuse to fear for their life
- three times more likely to take time off from their everyday activities because of the abuse
- more than twice as likely to be injured as male victims
- twice as likely as men to be the targets of more than 10 violent episodes

“Bringing an end to woman abuse will require vast changes among individuals, communities, institutions, and systems.

The Neighbours, Friends and Families Campaign is about communities taking action to build a society in which violence against women is unacceptable in our homes, in our families, and in our network of friends.”

Wendy Komiotis, E.D. METRAC

More information, including awareness raising and promotional materials, can be found on the Neighbours, Friends and Families website at www.neighboursfriendsandfamilies.on.ca.