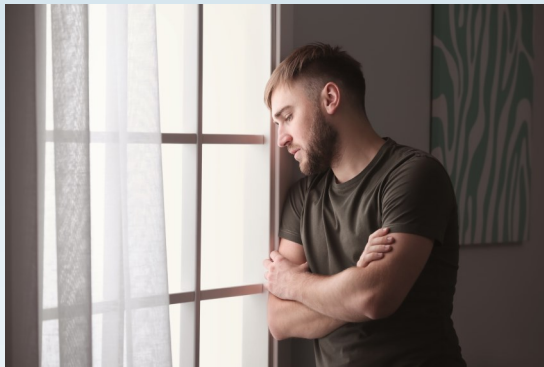


The **Family Advocacy and Support Service (FASS)** recognises that men coming to the Family Law Courts have more than just legal needs.

FASS includes both a duty lawyer service and a social support service.

This is an integrated service to help people with their legal and social needs.

FASS can help get you on the right track.



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To make an appointment with the  
**FASS Men's Program**

Call 1800 431 157

**Or Visit  
Hobart**

**Legal Aid:** 158 Liverpool St, Hobart

**Family Court:** 1st Floor 39-41 Davey St,  
Hobart

**Launceston**

**Legal Aid:** 64 Cameron St, Launceston

**Family Court:** 3rd Floor ANZ Building,  
Corner Brisbane & George St,  
Launceston

**Burnie**

**Legal Aid:** 50 Alexander St Burnie

**Burnie Magistrates Court:**

38 Alexander St (When Federal Circuit  
Court is sitting)

Or find us on the web

[www.legalaid.tas.gov.au](http://www.legalaid.tas.gov.au)



**Family Advocacy and  
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**Men's Program**



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## What is FASS Men's Program?

The Family Advocacy and Support Service is a free service providing assisting men with family law matters who have been affected by family violence.

This service includes the **FASS Duty Lawyer Service** and the **FASS Social Support Service**.

### FASS Duty Lawyer Service

The FASS Duty Lawyer can:

- Assist with legal advice, information and referral in relation to family law matters, family violence matters and child protection matters;
- Draft simple court documents in matters involving allegations of family violence;
- Help you gather information and evidence about family violence;
- Provide representation in court to assist you to progress your matter where there have been allegations of family violence;
- Provide representation in court in urgent interim matters where there have been allegations of family violence;
- Assist you with advice and advocacy where you may have family violence and/or child protection matters in the state Magistrates Courts as well as matters in the Family Law Courts.

The FASS Duty Lawyer cannot:

- Complete complex documentation and affidavits in non-urgent matters;
- Represent you in contravention applications and final hearings;
- Appear or be appointed as an Independent Children's Lawyer;
- Offer ongoing assistance.

### FASS Social Support Service

The FASS Social Support worker can:

- Assist in safety planning and risk assessment when attending court;
- Assist in liaising with court staff and security staff;
- Provide court support before, during and after court;
- Provide referrals to other social service providers;
- Provide co-ordination and assistance in relation to dealing with other social service providers.

The FASS Social Support worker cannot:

- Provide legal advice or legal assistance;
- Provide ongoing counselling.

## Do I need to make an appointment?

To make an appointment to see the FASS Duty Lawyer or FASS Social Support Worker call **1800 431 157**.

However, you can drop in at any time in the Family Court Registries or Legal Aid offices listed on the back of this brochure and an appointment can be made for you.

Please note that when court is in session the FASS team will need to prioritise those appearing in court on that day.

