

## **Closure of Family Violence Programs Due to Funding Loss**

- On August 28, enCompass received notification from the Government of Alberta that three longstanding family violence services will no longer be funded
- As a result of this change in funding, enCompass will no longer be able to provide:
  - o Specialized Family Violence Outreach services
  - o The Furniture Program for victims and children
  - o Full specialized court support for victims of violence (DVCAP services will be reduced)
- Since the 1990s, funding from the Government of Alberta has supported enCompass' core services in Family Violence Outreach, Furniture, and a portion of DVCAP
- Effective August 31, Family Violence Outreach and the Furniture Program will conclude, and DVCAP services will be scaled back over the next month
- DVCAP will continue in a reduced capacity with support from other funding sources
- All other family violence programs — including Nalah Centre, IDVRT, and Partner Safety Check — will continue
- enCompass recognizes the significant impact this change will have on individuals and families in high-risk domestic violence situations
- We are working closely with the Government of Alberta to understand and manage the impacts of these changes, and hope to work collaboratively with them to restore funding
- enCompass has also shared with government a long-term vision for family violence services in the city through the creation of a Family Justice Centre; we remain committed to collaborating on sustainable, long-term solutions
- We extend our sincere gratitude to the employees of these programs for their dedication; to our thousands of clients for their trust; and to our partners for their ongoing support
- Clients directly impacted by these changes will be contacted
- For questions, please contact 780 423 1635