

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Stalking \(DJCS\)](#)
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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concern to this matter as I have been subject to stalking as well as both emotional and physical abuse from many romantic partners since I was 15. These behaviours were things such as continuous harassment via electronic devices and all methods of contacting me despite blocking them, turning up at my home banging on windows and doors, hiding in my backyard, even being locked in a room against my will. It seems so common for me to encounter these issues from men and it makes me extremely fearful due to the underlying obsessive and delusional mentality they all hold. I have been to the police for 3 of the people that did this and had IVO taken place although there were many more encounters I had let be. I have an IVO about to expire this month from a man I went on 3 dates with that stalked me only to be warned by someone who knew him, that he had been in jail previously for these issues against a woman which I'm unsure of the details.

I would hope that there is new early intervention support from police and services introduced like electronic monitoring, free trauma specific psychology, accommodation for when we're in these situations, a no tolerance approach to stalking behaviour once a victim has told them to stop from police that can jail these abusers.

I'm still fearful to the point I've now closed myself off from the world and imagine bad things happening. I have tried to reach out for support specifically for trauma but cannot afford as it's not covered under the normal GP care plan.

Please help change this all to common abuse, this is an unspoken and terrifying situation to be in. My best friend's mother was also murdered by a man that stalked her, as I said it's way too prevalent in our community.

Thank you,

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