



Take A Seat To Take A Stand To End Domestic Violence

The Red Rose Foundation™ launched the **Red Bench Project™** in 2019 to build a permanent reminder that domestic violence occurs within all of our communities. The first red bench was unveiled on 15th May 2019 in Cleveland by Redlands Mayor Karen Williams.

The presence of a Red Bench in a public location aims to raise awareness and provide an opportunity for this important issue to remain visible. A place to sit and have a conversation about how we as community can change the ending to domestic violence.



The **Red Bench** in Cleveland was the first of over 300 red benches across Australia. Initially started as a partnership with local government, red benches are now being established by state government departments, businesses, sporting groups, schools, churches and various community groups.

The Red Rose Foundation™ is a national not for profit charity who works to end domestic violence across our communities. We are especially concerned at the high number of domestic violence related deaths that occur each year through homicide and suicide. We also acknowledge that tragically, many of these domestic violence related deaths have many predictive elements and are largely considered preventable.

Our motto is Change The Ending.

If you would like to join us, we are asking for local and state government and other community groups to paint one or more existing public benches red, arrange and pay for the cost of the metal plaque with the wording *Domestic Violence: Lets Change The Ending*. We request that the plaque includes dual logos: The Red Rose Foundation™ and the logo of your own organisation. The Red Bench is a wonderful way to bring the community together to take a stand by taking a seat.

Send us your photos and we will feature them on social media. Also take a photo of yourself or others on the Red Bench, send us your short message and we will turn them into Conversation postcards.



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