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EVERYDAY people willing to stand up and speak out against domestic violence are invited to a White Ribbon Day event to raise awareness in Murray Bridge.

The [White Ribbon](#) SHOUT NO to Domestic Violence event will be held from 11am to 1pm Friday 18 November at the soundshell in Edwards Square, at Murray Bridge.

A welcome for supporters at 11am will be followed by an awareness raising march around the Central Business District, before returning to Edwards Square for some student-led activities.

At 12noon men will gather at the soundshell to take the White Ribbon Oath and collectively SHOUT NO to violence against women and children.

Rural City of Murray Bridge Team Leader Library and White Ribbon advocate Tim Law said those who developed a hunger for stamping out domestic violence would be welcome to stay for a FREE community barbecue from 12.15pm.

“White Ribbon is part of a global social movement working to eliminate gendered violence and striving for an Australian society where all women and children are safe,” he said.

“On average, one woman every week is murdered by her current or former partner in Australia, 85% of women have been sexually harassed and one in five women have experience sexual violence since the age of 15.

“White Ribbon Recognises that men can also be victims of domestic violence, and this is also not okay... the majority of occasions though it is women and children who suffer.

“We encourage all members of the community to attend, but especially men as domestic violence is predominantly a men's issue which needs to have men involved in the solution.”

Mr Law said organisers were hoping to attract enough voices for the SHOUT to beat the currently record in a bit of friendly competition.

“The shout is measured using a decibel meter with the group aiming this year to beat 125db - the current record held by a group in Mount Gambier,” he said.

This event is proudly supported by The Rural City of Murray Bridge and the Murraylands Domestic Violence Awareness Group.

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