# **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)**

Helpline and local meetings for those to whom drugs have become a major problem. Tel. 0300 999 1212 (10am – 12pm)

# National Domestic Violence Helpline

A team of highly-trained, female advisors who can help you understand options and increase safety. Tel. 0808 2000 247 (Open 24/7, 365 days a year)

# Reading and West Berkshire Carers Hub

Individualised support that helps carers live life with independence, choice and peace of mind. Tel: 0118 324 7333 / Email: ask@berkshirecarershub.org

# **Recovery in Mind**

Free, inspiring and empowering courses for adults in West Berkshire with mental health challenges. Email: helen@recoveryinmind.org

# **Refugee Support Group**

Helping Refugees Rebuild Their Lives. Tel: 01189 505 356 Email: info@rrsq.org.uk

# **Samaritans**

Talk freely with a Samaritans volunteer in a safe and confidential environment. Tel. 116 123, 24/7, 365 days a year. Email jo@samaritans.org

#### **SANEline**

Confidential emotional support, practical help and information for people with mental health problems. Tel. 0300 304 7000, 4.30pm-10.30pm, 365 days a year.

#### Shelter

Housing advice helpline. Tel. 0808 800 4444 (Mon-Fri: 8am-8pm; Sat-Sun: 8am-5pm)

### **Shout**

24/7 Textline for anyone in a crisis anytime, anywhere. Text SHOUT to 85258

# **Talking Therapies Berkshire**

Talking Therapies is a friendly & approachable NHS service that offers support if you're coping with challenges like depression, stress, anxiety or phobias. Tel: 0300 365 2000 / Email: talkingtherapies@berkshire.nhs.uk

#### TuVida

TuVida supports unpaid carers and the people they care for. We are a not-for-profit, charitable organisation working in England and Wales. Email: hello@tuvida.org, Telephone: 0115 962 8920



# Steps for Help in a Crisis in Berkshire and Reading

Steps to help in a crisis

# For immediate help:

If you are experiencing mental health crisis that is not an emergency but you need urgent help please call NHS 111. For a medical emergency, call 999 straight away.

If you are linked with a community mental health team, you can contact your care coordinator or duty worker as first port of call.

# Useful organisations (A-Z):

# **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)**

National helpline and local meetings. Tel. 0800 9177 650 / Email: help@aamail.org

# **Beating Eating Disorders**

Free helpline offering support. Open 365 days a year 9am–8pm Mon-Fri & 4pm–8pm weekends & bank holidays. Helpline: 0808 801 0677 / Studentline: 0808 801 0811 / Youthline: 0808 801 0711.

# Bereaved by Suicide Service (Berkshire) – Victim Support

Free and confidential specialist support, and practical help, for those bereaved by suicide in Berkshire: Tel: on 08 08 16 89 111 / Email:

BBS.support@victimsupport.org.uk

# Berkshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

A range of mental health services accessed through the Gateway. Tel: 0300 365 2000 (Press 4)/Email: gateway@berkshire.nhs.uk

# **Berkshire West Breathing Space**

1A Rupert Square, Reading, RG1 3HE Email: breathing-space@together-uk.org Phone: 0800 002 9091 – Lines are open Monday-Thursday, 5pm-11pm.

## **BWA - Against domestic abuse**

Call Our Helpline Now: 0808 801 0882 helpdesk@bwaid.org.uk / www.berkshirewomensaid.org.uk/

# CALM (Campaign Against Living Miserably)

Helpline for men who are feeling down, who need to talk or find support and information. Tel. 0800 58 58 58 (5pm-12am, 365 days a year) Webchat: www.thecalmzone.net/help/webchat/

#### **Cruse Bereavement Care**

Support and advice to children, young people and adults when someone dies. Tel. 0808 808 1677 (Mon-Fri: 9.30-5pm; Tue-Thurs: 9.30-5pm)

#### CommuniCare

Advice Information and Support: CommuniCare Advice Centre Drop in Service – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 10am. Te: 0118 926 3941 Email: office@communicare.org.uk

# **FRANK**

Honest information about drugs. Tel. 0300 123 6600 (24/7, 365 days a year) Text: 82111. Confidential email and live chat: www.talktofrank.com/contact-frank

#### **Mental Health Mates**

Network of peer support groups meeting regularly to walk, connect and share without fear of judgement. Email: hello@mentalhealthmates.co.uk

### Hopeline

Support for Young People under the age of 35 experiencing thoughts of suicide. Tel. 0800 068 41 41, Text: 07860 039967 (Mon-Fri: 10am-10pm; Sat-Sun: 2pm-10pm) Email: pat@papyrus-uk.org

## Launchpad

Free drop-in service for housing and homelessness support in Reading. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10am—2pm, at The Stables, 1A Merchants Place, Reading RG1 1DT. Call 0118 929 1111 or email: support@launchpadreading.org.uk

#### **LGBTQ** Domestic Abuse Helpline

Confidential support available Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, and Wed-Thur 10am-8pm. Tel: 0800 999 5428, Email: help@galop.org.uk

### The Mix Helpline

Free and confidential support for young people under 25. Tel. 0808 808 4994. Live chat and crisis messenger: www.themix.org.uk/get-support

