In California, Domestic Violence Isn’t “Violent”

It’s classified a “non-violent” crime. Tell that to a survivor.

Under California law, more than 20 clearly violent crimes are not classified as “violent” — including domestic violence. Seriously.

As a result, offenders convicted of domestic violence are eligible for early prison release — without their victims being warned.

In 2018, more than 166,000 Californians who were being abused at home called for emergency help. It’s getting worse, and can happen to anyone.

“I went to Harvard,” said one survivor. “I was married to a man who abused me and held a gun to my head. He was going to kill me.”

Proposition 20 prohibits the early release of those who commit felony domestic violence — because domestic violence is violent.

Stand with survivors at keepcalsafe.org.