ECONOMIC ABUSE IN THE LIFE OF SURVIVORS



ECONOMIC ABUSE IS A UNIQUE FORM OF ABUSE SEPARATE FROM PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL ABUSE

Women who are forced to be financially dependent on their partners are at greater risk of being further abused and are less likely to leave the relationship.

FORMS OF ECONOMIC ABUSE

Economic Exploitation (eg., Ruins her credit score)
Economic Control

(eg., Demands to know how much money was spent)

Employment Sabotage (eg., Discourages or prevents her from working)

IN ONE STUDY AMONG IPV SURVIVORS, THEY FOUND

94% experienced physical abuse 95% experienced psychological abuse 94% experienced economic abuse in their relationship 92% experienced behaviors of economic control 88% experienced employment sabotage 79% experienced economic exploitation

IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

WOMEN WHO EXPERIENCE



ECONOMIC ABUSE ARE...

...MORE LIKELY
TO EXPERIENCE
PHYSICAL ABUSE.

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