



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REALITIES

Domestic violence is a pattern of coercive, controlling behavior that can include physical abuse, emotional or psychological abuse, sexual abuse or financial abuse.

Anyone, regardless of gender, race, sexual identity or orientation, or socio-economic status, can become a victim of domestic violence and domestic violence comes in many forms.

 **1 in 3 women and**
 **1 in 4 men will experience domestic violence in their lifetime.**



On a typical day, more than 20,000 phone calls are made to domestic violence hotlines nationwide.



1 in 15 children is exposed to intimate partner violence each year.



On average, nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the United States.



Financial abuse occurs in 99% of domestic violence cases.

Warning signs include someone who:

- "Love bombs" with excessive attention.
- Insists you stop spending time with friends or family.
- Is excessively jealous.
- Does not honor boundaries.
- Criticizes or puts down.
- Takes no responsibility for their behaviors.
- Has a history of abusing others.

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