

# Domestic Violence



We feel safer when we think domestic violence happens somewhere else to someone else. In reality domestic violence affects millions, both women and men, of every race, religion, culture and status.

## **IT'S NOT JUST PUNCHES & BLACK EYES**

Domestic violence is best understood as a pattern of abusive behaviors – including physical, sexual, and psychological attacks as well as economic coercion – used by one intimate partner against another (adult or adolescent) to gain, maintain, or regain power and control in the relationship. Batterers use of a range of tactics to frighten, terrorize, manipulate, hurt, humiliate, blame, often injure, and sometimes kill a current or former intimate partner.

## **LEGAL AID & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Survivors of domestic violence are among the most vulnerable clients served by the legal aid programs in Missouri. With Legal Aid's assistance, domestic violence survivors are able to achieve physical safety and financial security. With this support, survivors are more likely to leave their abusers and have the personal and financial capacity to establish a life free from abuse.

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