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# Domestic Violence & Poverty

- ★ 1/3 of all women have experience domestic violence in their adult lives
- ★ 60% of women living in poverty
  - Of those, 8% - 33% report recent or current violence
  - High prevalence of childhood physical & sexual abuse



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# Why?

- ★ Having limited financial resources is a big risk factor for Domestic Violence
  - Few resources = fewer good choices for getting and/or staying safe
  - An abuser is able to gain more control due to increased vulnerability
  - Abuse is likely to last longer and result in more severe injuries



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However...

★ This **Does Not** mean that those living poverty are more violent

★ Also **Does Not** mean those with more financial resources are not experiencing, or at risk of, domestic violence

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Tactics


★ Financial Abuse is a common tactic often resulting in financial insecurity

— Tactics can lead to financial ruin

- Harassing at workplace
- ID theft
- Ruining credit
- Causing an eviction

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