

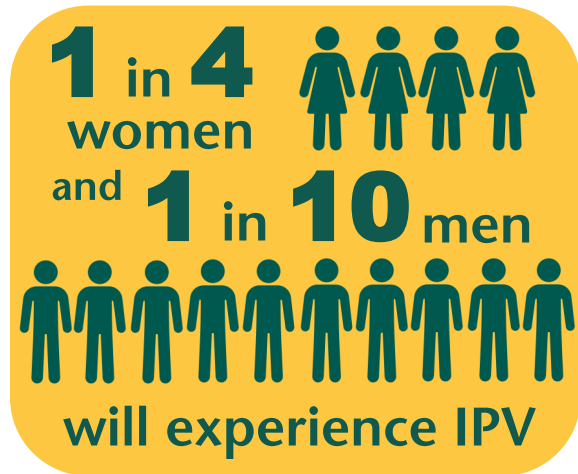


SOCIAL DISTANCING & THE INCREASED RISK OF INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE

Intimate partner violence (IPV) impacts millions of Americans. It is the physical, sexual, psychological, or financial abuse that can occur in a current or former intimate relationship. It can be a one time event or a pervasive series of events that worsen over time.

Periods of social isolation, including that caused by the current COVID-19 pandemic, increase the risk and severity of IPV.

Perpetrators might even use the fear of the coronavirus as another means of controlling victims, such as by threatening to throw them out of the home in a time of crisis, or by further isolating them from friends and family. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/2xDB9fU>



RESOURCES

Are you or someone you know impacted by IPV? There is help! **If you are in immediate danger, call 9-1-1.**

NATIONAL RESOURCE: For anonymous, confidential help, 24/7, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE) or 1-800-787-3224 (TTY).

MICHIGAN RESOURCES: Hotline: 855-VOICES4, Text: 866-238-1454, online chat: <https://mcedsv.org/hotline/hotline-chat/>

DETROIT RESOURCES: Women in Touch 313-737-7168

Detroit Emergency shelters: YWCA Interim House Metro Detroit 313-861-5300; Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries Genesis House 313-993-4700; Coalition on Temporary Shelter: 313-831-3777

Outside the Detroit area? Search for a shelter here: <https://www.domesticshelters.org/help/mi>

Worried about risk of coronavirus outside your home? All emergency shelters and services are following CDC guidelines to minimize the risk of the virus spread. That means shelters are implementing cleaning and distancing strategies to keep residents safe! To find out more about what shelters are doing to protect their clients visit <https://mcedsv.org/training-ta/current-initiative/>