

Introduction to Domestic Abuse & Emerge Services



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Domestic Abuse**

Domestic Abuse: Definition

Domestic abuse is a **pattern of coercive behavior** that includes the use or threat of violence and intimidation for the **purpose of gaining power and control** over another person.

- ❖ Physical
- ❖ Psychological
- ❖ Sexual
- ❖ Economic



The Scope of the Issue

- ❖ All of us know someone (1 in 4 women)
- ❖ Can happen to anyone
- ❖ Doing the math!
- ❖ Fatalities



Services for Survivors

❖ Emergency Services Program

- 24/7 multilingual hotline
- Emergency shelter

❖ Community-based Services Program

- One-on-one support
- Support groups
- Lay legal services

❖ Housing Stabilization Program

- One-time transitional financial assistance
- Transitional housing program
- Permanent housing program

❖ Child & Family Program

- Services for children
- Services for mothers
- Re-building bonds between child and non-abusive parent

The Root

**Why does gender-based
violence exist?????**



Why Men Use Abusive Behaviors

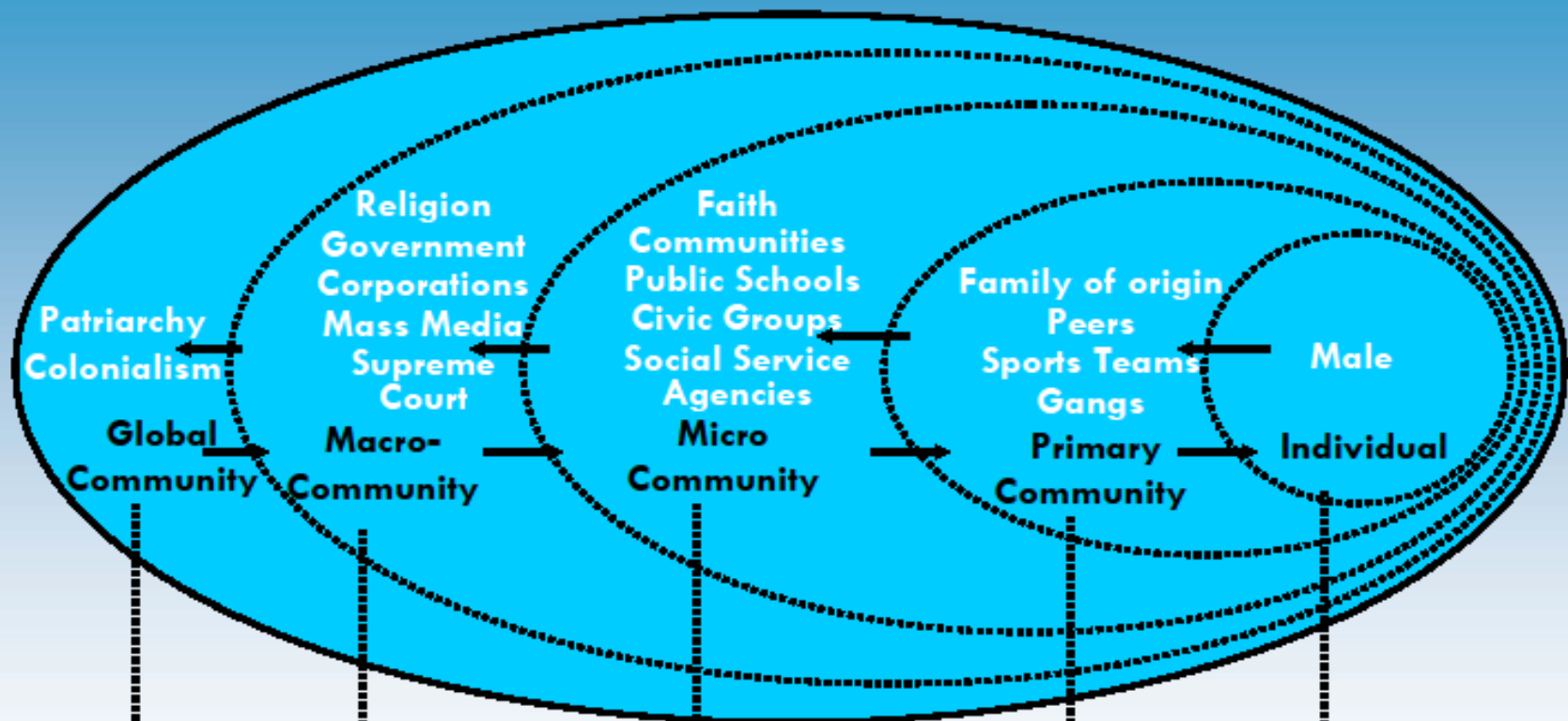
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It works**



The Root

How do we END gender-based violence?

COMMUNITY-ACCOUNTABILITY MODEL OF MEN'S VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN



ANCHORS

- Provides historical foundation
- Denies and justifies impact

INSTRUCTS

- Constructs and disseminates "manual" on structural inequalities- e.g. sexism, heterosexism, racism, classism
- Steers and controls resources

ENFORCES

- Rewards rigid gender role conformity
- Punishes flexible and diverse gender expressions
- Provides gatekeepers

SOCIALIZES

- Nurtures rigid gender role conformity
- Trains males in destructive masculinity
- Preps for war

CONTROLS

- Lives out his privileges in relationships with women
- Solidifies his authority

Ending Violence Against Women

- ❖ It's not about what victims (or potential victims) do differently
- ❖ It's about what the people using abusive behaviors – AND THE REST OF US - do differently
- ❖ Men's leadership!
 - Disrupt what's "normal" for ourselves and for others





Services for Abusive Partners/Prevention Work

❖ Men's Education Program

- 24 weekly sessions
- Peer-led

❖ Community Engagement

- Men & boys
- Anywhere and everywhere

❖ Men's Helpline

❖ Domestic Violence Orientation

- Probationers (Adult Probation/DV Court)

How OVRC Can Be a Part of the Solution

- **Financial support to ensure we can sustain services at current levels**
- **Invite others to support the work as well**
- **Offer help to victims and abusive partners**
- **Talk about the issue and actively push against cultural norms that are at the root of gender-based violence**

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Option 1 – Men's Helpline

Option 2 – Men's Education Program