

HPMD MC-FOZ ZOHCOI

**HOMICIDE DIVISION
FAMILY VIOLENCE UNIT**

Central Unit

1200 Travis #1101 Houston, TX. 77002
713 308-1100 713 308-1108 (fax)
Mon. – Sun (7days) 8am - 4pm

North Unit

9455 W. Montgomery Houston, TX. 77088
281 405-6460 281 405-6470 (fax)
Mon. – Fri. 8am - 4pm

Southeast Unit

8300 Mykawa Houston, TX. 77048
713 731 – 5960 713 731 – 5967 (fax)
Mon. – Fri. 8am – 4pm

Westside Unit

3203 S. Dairy Ashford Houston, TX. 77082
281 584-4900 281 584-4915 (fax)
Mon. – Fri. 8am – 4pm

FAMILY VIOLENCE RESOURCES

SHELTERS

- Angelton – Women’s Center of Brazoria County..... 800 243-5788
- Bay Area Turning Point..... 281 286-2525
- Bay Area Women’s Center..... 713 473-2801
- Casa Juan Diego..... 713 869-7376
- Covenant House (youth under 21) 713 523-2231
- Family Time..... 281 446-2615
- Fort Bend Women’s Shelter..... 281 342-4357
- Houston Area Women’s Center..... 713 528-2121
- Galveston Women’s Resource and Crisis Center..... 409 765-7233
- Montgomery County Women’s Center..... 976 441-7273
- Salvation Army..... 713 650-6530
- Crisis Hotline..... 713 228-1505
- Adult Protective Services..... 800 252-5400**
- Children’s Protective Services..... 800 252-5400**

RESOURCES

- Attorney General’s – Crime Victims Compensation..... 800 252-8014
- Alcoholics Anonymous..... 713 686-6300
- Bering Support Network(Gay & Lesbian Counseling)..... 713 526-1017
- Bridge Over Troubled Water (Family Violence Services)..... 713 473-2801
- Family Service Center (Various Family & Counseling Services..... 713 861-4849
- Gatekeeper (Services for the Elderly)..... 713 685-2832
- Houston Area Women’s Center (Family Violence & Sexual Abuse Services).. 713 528-2121
- La Rosa (Family Violence Services)..... 713 699-3974
- Mental Health Association..... 713 522-5161
- Montrose Counseling Center (Gay & Lesbian Counseling)..... 713 529-0037(24hrs)
- National Domestic Violence Hotline..... 800 799-SAFE (7233)
- Northwest Assistance Ministries(Family Violence Services..... 281 885-4673
- Texas Youth Hotline..... 800 210-2278
- United Way (Information on Community Resources)..... 713 957-4357
- Victim Resource Institute (Counseling for Traumatized Children)..... 713 743-8614
- Victim Assistance Center..... 713 755-5625
- Victim Services Unit..... 713 308-0080
- Working Together for Change..... 281 282-6087

LEGAL SERVICES

- Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (Protective Orders, Divorce & Custody)... 713 224-9911
- Attorney General’s Child Support..... 800 252-8014
- District Attorney Complaint Desk..... 713 755-7114
- Gulf Coast Legal Foundation (protective orders,divorce&custody)..... 713 652-5911
- Harris County District Attorney’s Family Criminal Law (protective orders)... 713 755-5888
- Harris County Domestic Relations (child support paternity)..... 713 755-6757
- Harris County Victim Witness Division(court information)..... 713 755-6655
- Houston Volunteer Lawyers(protective orders, divorce &custody)..... 713 228-0732

Class C Charges are filed at the:

City Prosecutor’s Office, Municipal Court Building

1400 Lubbock, Room 133

8am – 4pm

713 247-5474

Mon. – Fri.

PROTECTIVE ORDERS

A protective order can be obtained at:

- Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse – AVDA (also files divorce and custody papers)
Mon. – Fri. 9:00am – 4:00pm
2603 LaBranch #100 713 224-9911
- Houston Volunteer Lawyers (also files divorce and custody papers)
Mon. – Fri. 8:30am – 4:30pm
806 Main 16th floor 713 228-0732
- Harris County District Attorney's Office – Family Criminal Law Division
Mon. – Fri. 8:00am – 4:00pm
Thurs. 8:00am – 3:00pm
1201 Franklin 2nd floor 713-755-5888

COST: FREE

ELIGIBILITY:

- History of family violence or future danger
- Related by blood or marriage or dating relationship
- Previously lived together
- Have a child together (even if you never lived with the suspect)

TIME: 3-5 weeks processing time

DURATION: Valid for 2 years

USUAL SANCTIONS: Prohibits suspect from:

- Committing family violence on complainant
- Communicating directly with complainant in a threatening or harassing manner
- Communicating a threat through any person to complainant
- Going to or near the residence or place of employment of complainant

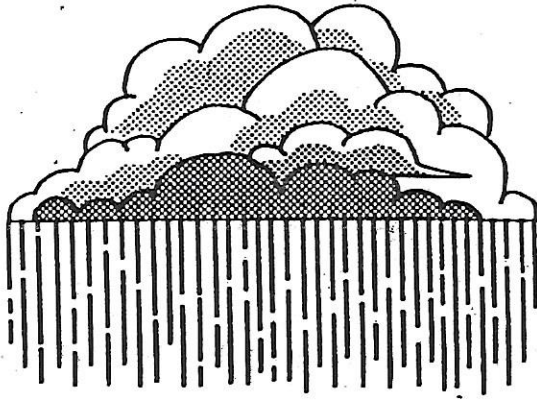
CRIMINAL SANCTIONS: A person can be arrested for violating a protective order. Violation of a protective order can be a Class A offense or a Felony if the violation of the protective order is an assault, stalking, or there are two previous convictions. Both offenses are punishable by jail time and/or fine.

Ask for 30,000 feet when you get a protective order

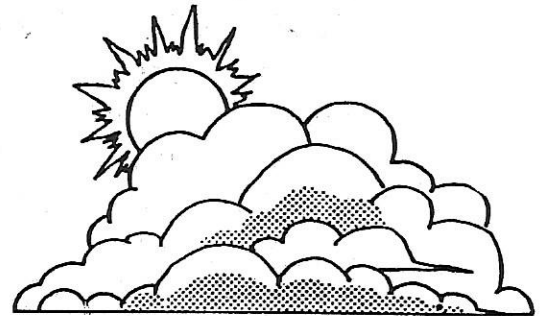
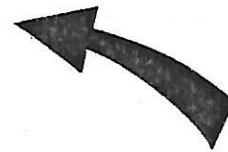
SAFETY PLAN FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- **Always keep some money hidden**
- **Establish a code word with family and friends including your children**
- **Visualize your escape route**
- **Have extra keys for the car and house**
- **Have important documents and items readily available by making extra copies or writing account Numbers**
 - bank books, check books, credit cards, ATM cards and mortgage payment book
 - lease, rental agreement or house deed
 - social security card, work permit, green card, passport
 - insurance papers and medical records
 - birth certificates (yours and children)
 - marriage license, divorce papers and custody papers
 - important phone numbers
 - personal items such as address book, pictures, jewelry and items of sentimental value for you and children
- **have small bag with extra clothes**
 - include medications and other important items
 - keep in handy but hidden place in order to leave quickly
- **DO NOT hesitate to call the police**
- **REMEMBER – YOU DO NOT DESERVE TO BE HIT**
- **REMEMBR – LEAVING CAN BE THE MOST DANGEROUS TIME**

CYCLE OF VIOLENCE



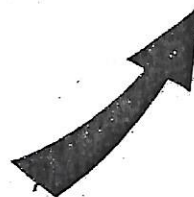
Phase 1 – Tension Building
threatening, anger, blaming,
yelling, throwing objects,
smashing walls



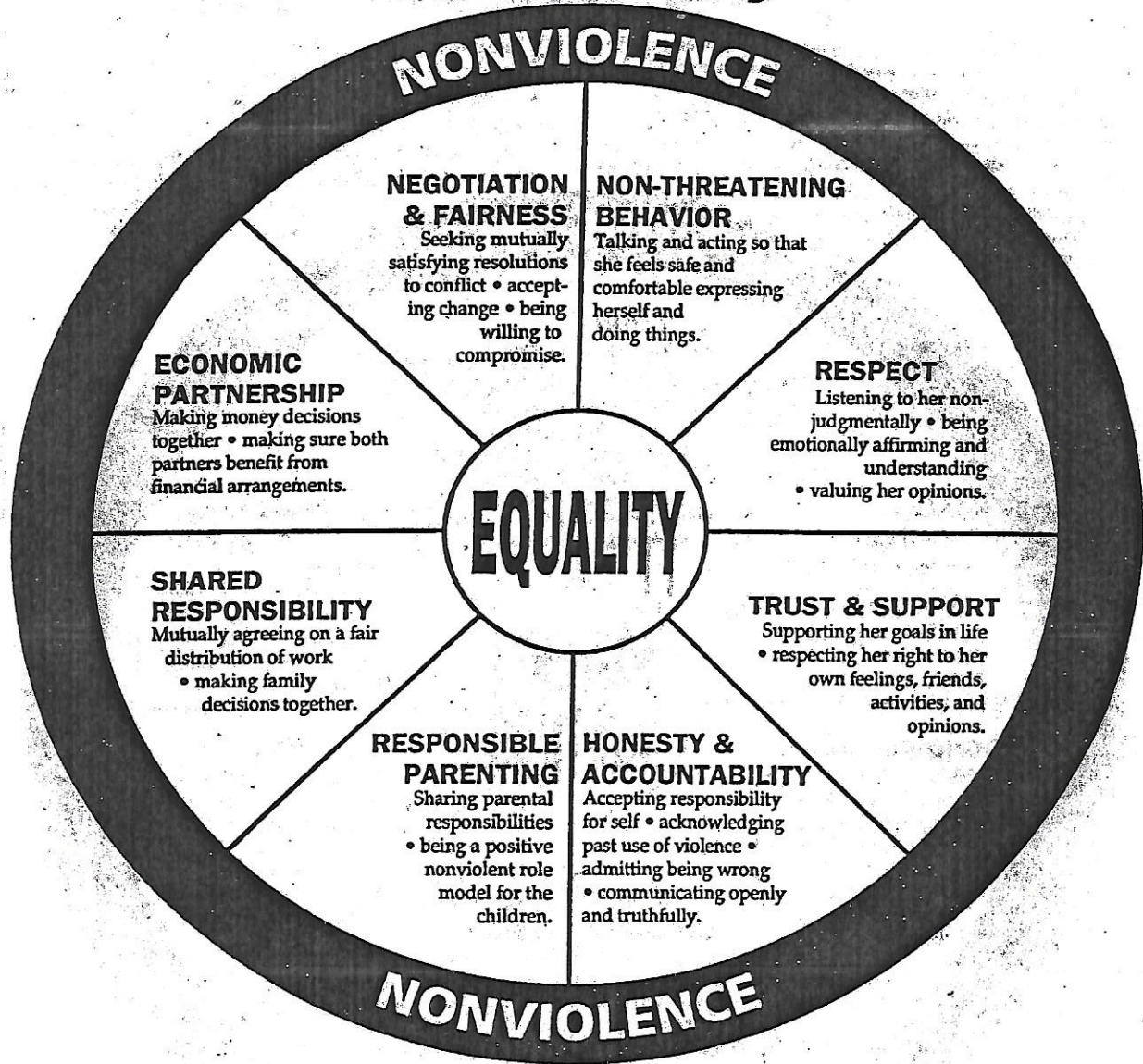
Phase 3 – Honeymoon
Says he's sorry, blames
alcohol, promises it will
never happen again,
denies the severity of the
violence



Phase 2 – Battering
hitting, kicking, choking,
using objects or weapons,
sexual abuse



Is your relationship based on equality?



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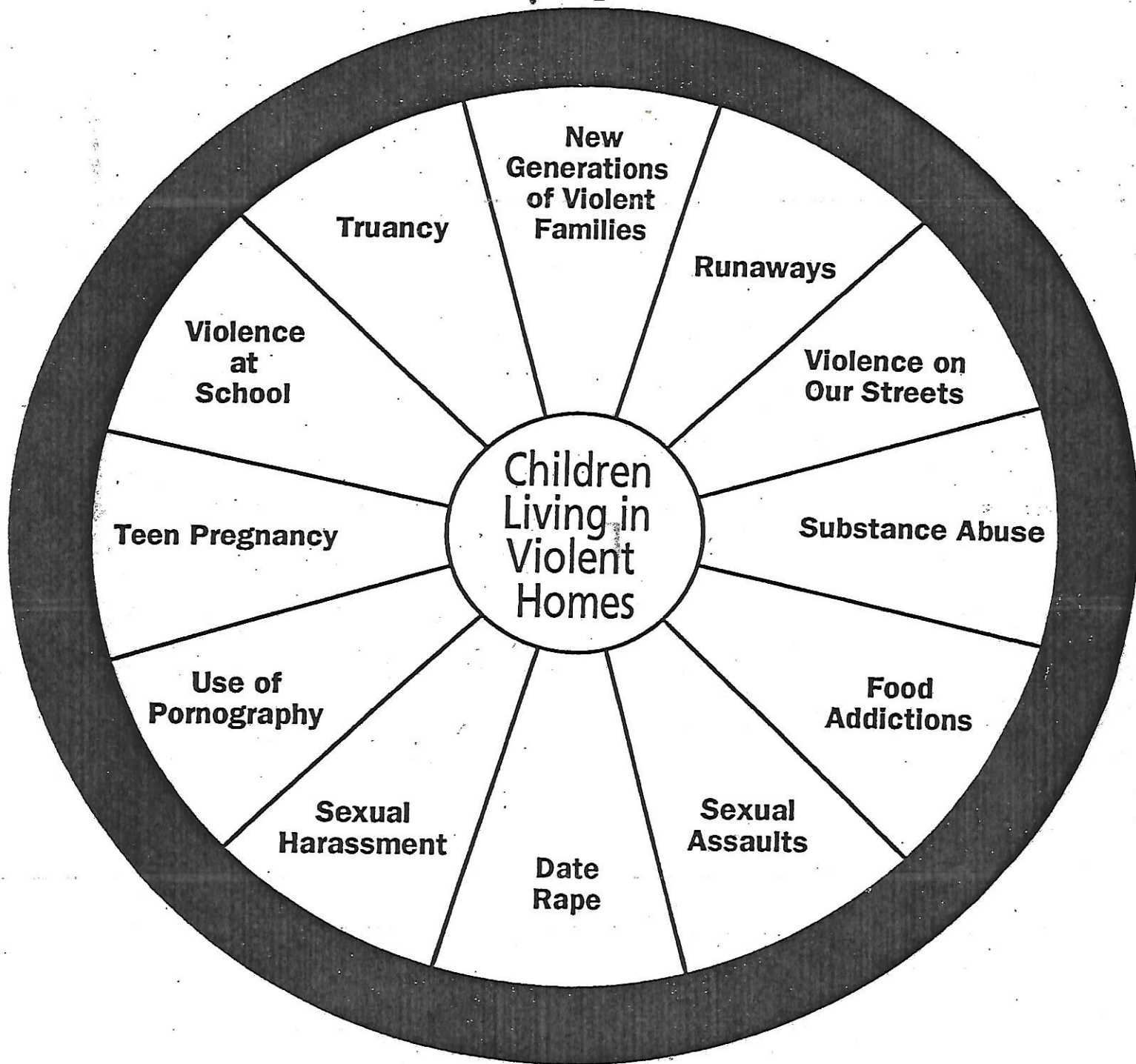
Or, is your relationship based on power and control?

Physical and sexual assaults, or threats to commit them, are the most apparent forms of domestic violence and are usually the actions that allow others to become aware of the problem. However, regular use of other abusive behaviors by the batterer, when reinforced by one or more acts of physical violence, make up a larger system of abuse. Although physical assaults may occur only once or occasionally, they instill threat of future violent attacks and allow the abuser to take control of the woman's life and circumstances.

The Power & Control diagram is a particularly helpful tool in understanding the overall pattern of abusive and violent behaviors, which are used by a batterer to establish and maintain control over his partner. Very often, one or more violent incidents are accompanied by an array of these other types of abuse. They are less easily identified, yet firmly establish a pattern of intimidation and control in the relationship.



Children Coping with Family Violence



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WHO QUALIFIES

An *innocent* victim of a violent crime who suffers bodily injury or death due to an:

- ▶ assault
- ▶ aggravated robbery
- ▶ kidnapping
- ▶ sexual assault
- ▶ vehicular offense
 - criminal negligent homicide
 - DWI (driving while intoxicated)
 - failure to stop and render aid
 - intentional vehicular assault
 - manslaughter

Applicants include:

- ▶ Victim
- ▶ Immediate family members (spouse, children, siblings, step children, parents, grandparents)
- ▶ Intervenors ("good Samaritan" citizen, police officer or fireman)

The victim must:

- ▶ be a resident of Texas, a resident of another state victimized in Texas or a Texas resident victimized in another state or country that does not have a crime victims compensation program
- ▶ report the crime to law enforcement officials within a reasonable period of time
- ▶ cooperate fully with law enforcement officials
- ▶ file for compensation within three (3) years of the crime

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

The crime victims fund is the "payor of last resort." Collateral sources such as health insurance benefits and Medicaid must be exhausted before an award may be made.

A victim can receive up to \$50,000 for out of pocket expenses related to the crime.

Medical - hospital and emergency room services, physician fees, nursing care, physical therapy, dental costs, prescriptions and medical supplies.

Mental health counseling - treatment for a victim, eligible immediate family and household members.

Loss of wages - victim who is unable to work due to physical or emotional disability related to the crime.

Loss of support - payments for people who were dependents of a deceased victim.

Funeral expenses - costs for transporting a body from the scene or morgue, embalming, cremation, burial services, escorts, flowers, caskets and grave markers.

Child care - coverage to allow a victim's spouse or a legal guardian to continue employment.

Dependent care - costs for victims who had responsibility for the care of a dependent.

Evidence replacement - cost for items seized by law enforcement.

Crime scene cleanup - cost related to removing from a crime scene elements that may cause further trauma to the victim or victim's family.

Relocation expenses - cost related to moving of victims belongings, rental deposits, utility connections, motor vehicle mileage expenses and lodging and meals for out of state moves

CATASTROPHIC INJURIES

When a victim suffers a total and permanent disability, an additional \$50,000 may be awarded for:

- lost wages
- making a home or automobile accessible
- obtaining job training and vocational rehabilitation
- training in the use of special appliances
- home health care

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM

Criminals fund the program and victims of crime reap the benefits. There are no tax dollars involved. Criminals pay a one time fee based on the convicted charges:

\$15 - Class C misdemeanors and municipal ordinance convictions with fines of \$200 or less

\$35 - \$50 - Class A & B misdemeanors and municipal ordinances with fines of over \$200

\$45 - \$100 - Felony cases

All parolees placed on parole after September, 1993 for a violent crime pay an \$8 monthly administrative fee towards the crime victims compensation fund.

NOTES

To submit a claim, a victim or family member must send a Crime Victims Compensation Application to the Texas Attorney Generals Office. Victims or family members needing an application or assistance in completing an application can contact:

HPD Homicide Division - Family Violence Unit or Victim Services Unit at 713 308-1100

OR

District Attorney's Office - Victim Witness Program at 713 755-6655

HPD Incident #: _____

Investigating Division/Unit: _____

Investigator(s) Name/Phone: _____

Harris Co. D. A. Cause#: _____

Court#: _____ Court date: _____

Prosecutor Name/Phone: _____

Victims' Comp. Claim #: _____

Mail application to:
Office of the Attorney General
Crime Victims' Compensation Division
P.O. Box 12548 Austin, Tx. 78711-2548
Claims Division 1-800-983-9933

TEXAS CRIME
VICTIMS'
COMPENSATION
FUND

The fund was established in 1979 to provide financial assistance to victims of violent crime.

The fund is administered by the Crime Victims' Compensation Division of the Attorney Generals Office.



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