



H.O.P.E. HELPING OVERCOME PERSONAL EMPTINESS VICTIM ADVOCACY SERVICES SPECIALIZING IN AFRICAN AMERICAN VICTIM'S

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MISSION STATEMENT

- Our mission is to bring awareness to the suffrage of African-American women who have been at a disadvantage in the US for over 200 years of victimization which makes a vulnerable prey for in intimate partner violence. To ensure that African-American women, their children and all victims receive equal protection and safety without discrimination. To change the acculturation of societal hierarchies affect them legally, socially and environmental provide them with support. To break the cycle that has resulted in injustice that continually to penalize them due to inability to change their ethnicity or race before qualifying for equal protection and services.



VISION STATEMENT

- Our vision is that no woman or child will be judged unworthy of protection because she happens to be the wrong color, a condition that African-American women have endured for centuries. The value of a woman will not be determined by the complexion of her skin. A Black woman will never fear that her call for help will be turned down because of prejudice that historically has seen her as inhuman. She will now receive a fair chance to rebuild her life and hope for a better future. The community will provide the kind of support and resources that allow her a place to turn to in her time of need.



ORGANIZATION GOAL/PURPOSE

- Our goal at H.O.P.E. is to provide education, advocacy, counseling, resource support, collaboration and to create policies that will bring attention to Domestic Violence among African-American women who are an underserved, marginalized population; to guarantee that the dynamics of this population will be recognized or acknowledged as equal with all victims, with equal protection and services based their unique needs; to diminish racial discrimination due to profiling; to give African-American women H.O.P.E., equal justice and protection when they seek help.



OVERVIEW OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- ◉ Domestic violence constitutes the willful intimidation, assault, battery, sexual assault or other abusive behavior perpetrated by one family member, household member, or intimate partner against another.
- ◉ Domestic violence affects not only those abused, but witnesses, family members, co-workers, friends, and the community at large. Children who witness domestic violence are victims themselves and growing up amidst violence predisposes them to a multitude of social and physical problems. Constant exposure to violence in the home and abusive role models teaches these children that violence is a normal way of life and places them at risk of becoming society's next generation of victims and abusers.



FACTS ABOUT DV IN THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY

- ◉ In a national survey, 29% of African American women and 12% of African American men reported at least one instance of violence from an intimate partner (Tjaden & Thoennes 2000).
- ◉ African Americans are the victims of 1/3 of the domestic homicides in the United States each year.
- ◉ African Americans have a domestic violence homicide

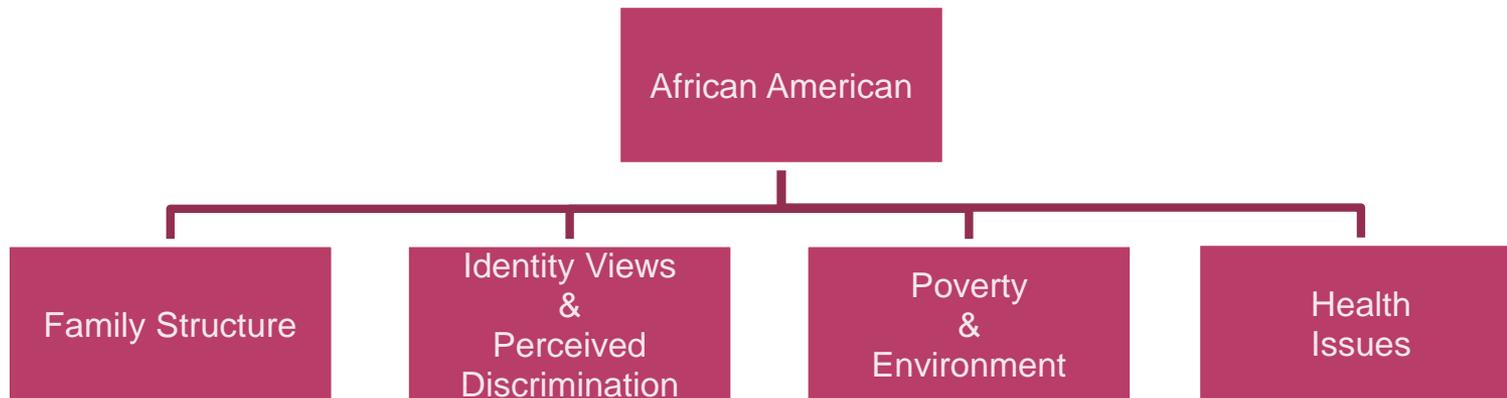


FACTS ABOUT DV IN THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY

- Higher rates of domestic violence in the African American Community are strongly related to higher levels of poverty and economic oppression. (Hampton et al 2004).
- African American victims of domestic violence were more likely to be killed by their partner if there had been incidents in which the partner had used or threatened to use a weapon on her and/or the partner has tried to choke or strangle her (Jenkins, Block, & Campbell 2004).
- Domestic violence often re-occurs.

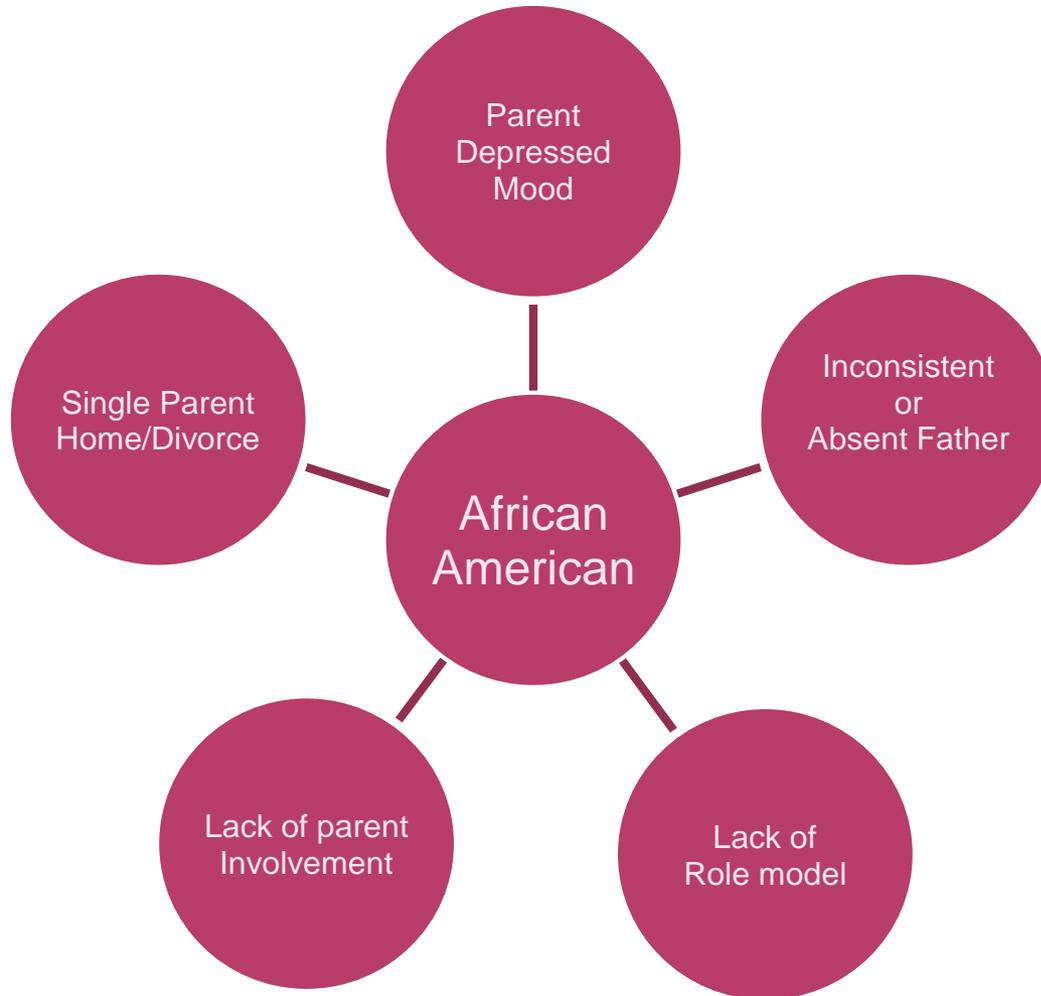


VULNERABILITY FACTORS OF MENTAL ILLNESS CONTRIBUTING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN AFRICAN-AMERICANS



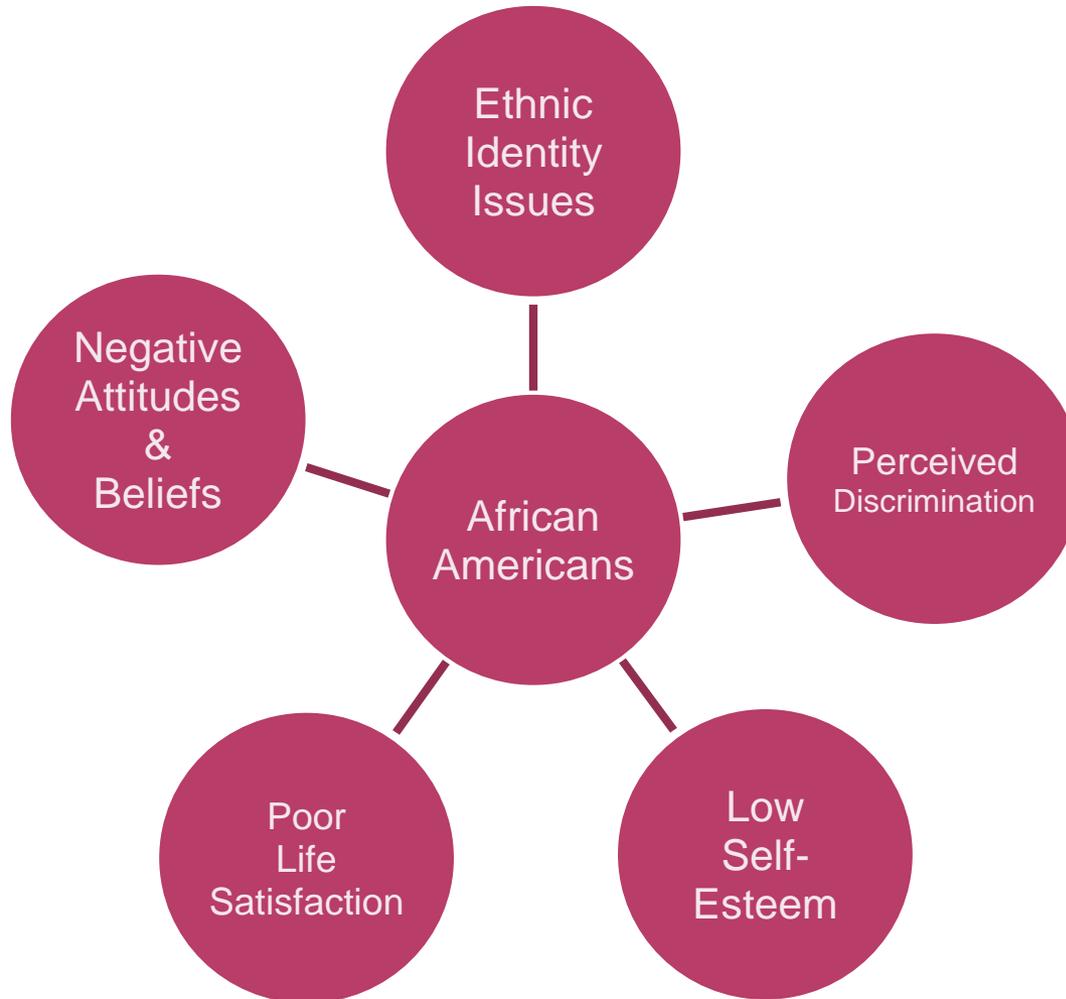


BROKEN FAMILY STRUCTURE



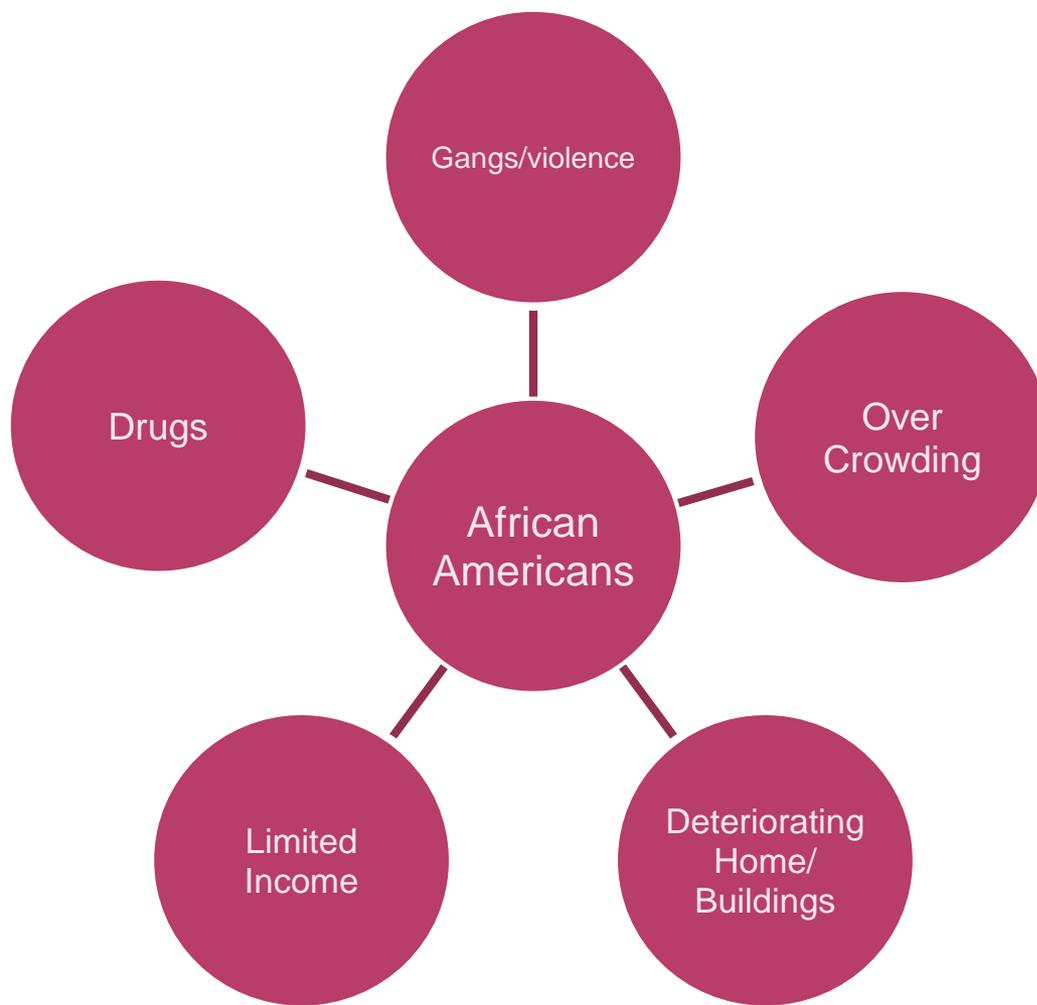


RACIAL PREJUDICE & DISCRIMINATION





POVERTY & ENVIRONMENT



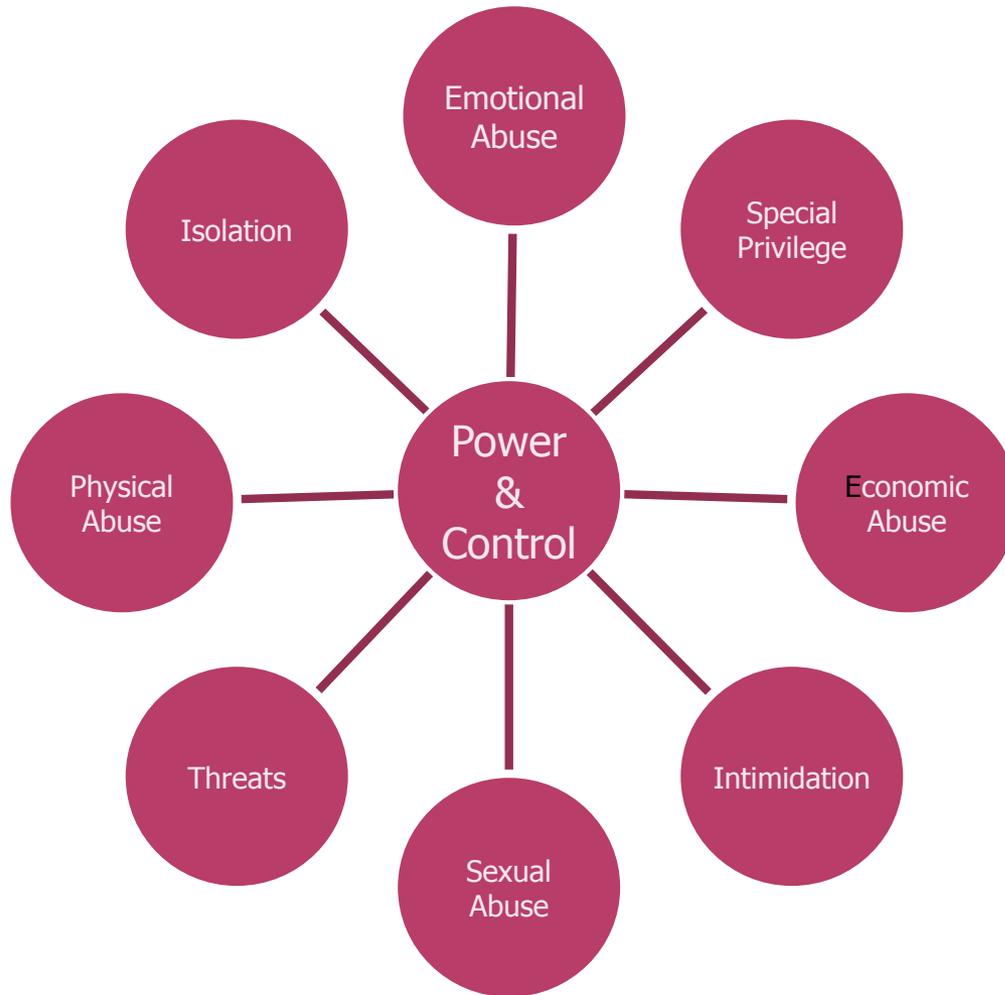


POWER AND CONTROL WHEEL





FAMILY VIOLENCE AND COMMUNITY VIOLENCE ARE PERPETUATED THROUGH POWER AND CONTROL. ALL FORMS OF ABUSE, WHETHER PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL, ECONOMIC OR SEXUAL ARE GEARED TOWARD MAKING ANOTHER PERSON FEEL BAD ABOUT HIM/HERSELF, AND TO FORCE THAT PERSON TO DO THINGS THAT HE/SHE DOES NOT WANT TO DO. OFTEN THE VIOLENCE TAKES THE FORM OF THREATS AND INTIMIDATION TO CREATE FEAR. WHEN THE VICTIM BECOMES ISOLATED, THE POWER AND CONTROL WHEEL IS COMPLETE.





EDUCATION & AWARENESS



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pjkLiaUT9xw>

A Victim of Domestic Violence

What Love have to do with it!!!

OTHER SERVICES OFFERED:

- Provided resources referrals and assistance in the following areas:
- Safe place or relocation referrals
- Housing,
- Food, clothing,
- Counseling
- Transportation issues.
- Referred for legal services such protection order, No contact orders, harassment orders, parenting plans fees.
- Attend court with them as support.
- Assessments/ individual therapy
- DV Victim Empowerment Groups
- Clinical Supervision

COMMUNITY PARTNERS:

- ◉ Castele, Williams & Associates
- ◉ Lamb of God Christian Ministries
- ◉ City of Tacoma Domestic Violence
- ◉ Courage program
- ◉ IDVAAC / Peace Project Dr. Oliver Williams
Minnesota (international Conference)
- ◉ Pacific Lutheran University
- ◉ Tacoma Ministerial Alliance
- ◉ Family Renewal
- ◉ *New Life Transitional Housing*
- ◉ Safe homes