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**WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?**
Domestic violence affects not only the survivors, but their friends, neighbors, and families—particularly their children.

**IMPACT ON CHILDREN AND TEENS IN UTAH**
- 1 in 3 Utah women will experience some form of domestic violence in her lifetime.
- 11.8% of high school students experience dating violence.
- 34% of adult survivors witnessed domestic violence as a child.
- 3,000 men, women, and children stay in Utah’s domestic violence shelters annually.
- 80 Utah women are present at the murder or attempted murder of their mothers each year.

**RISK FACTORS**
While domestic violence can happen to anyone, a number of factors are associated with higher rates of domestic violence.

**IMPACT ON CHILDREN AND TEENS IN UTAH**
- Domestic violence negatively affects both individuals and society.
- Domestic violence is the cause of about 40% of all women’s deaths.
- Domestic violence is a leading cause of injuries to women.

**COSTS**
Domestic violence is extremely expensive, both financially and emotionally.

**WHAT CAN WE DO?**
We must all do our part to combat domestic violence.

- Support domestic violence programs and services.
- Learn the facts about domestic violence.
- Teach boys and girls about healthy relationships.
- Listen to and assist survivors.

**HOW DOES UTAH STACK UP?**
Utah’s rate of domestic violence is higher than the national average for adult women, but slightly lower for all youth (male and female).

**WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AMONG UTAH WOMEN?**
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