



Declaring Intimate Partner Violence an Epidemic



The VAWCCWE is a cross-sectorial committee of community-based organizations working together for a coordinated response to VAW across Windsor-Essex.

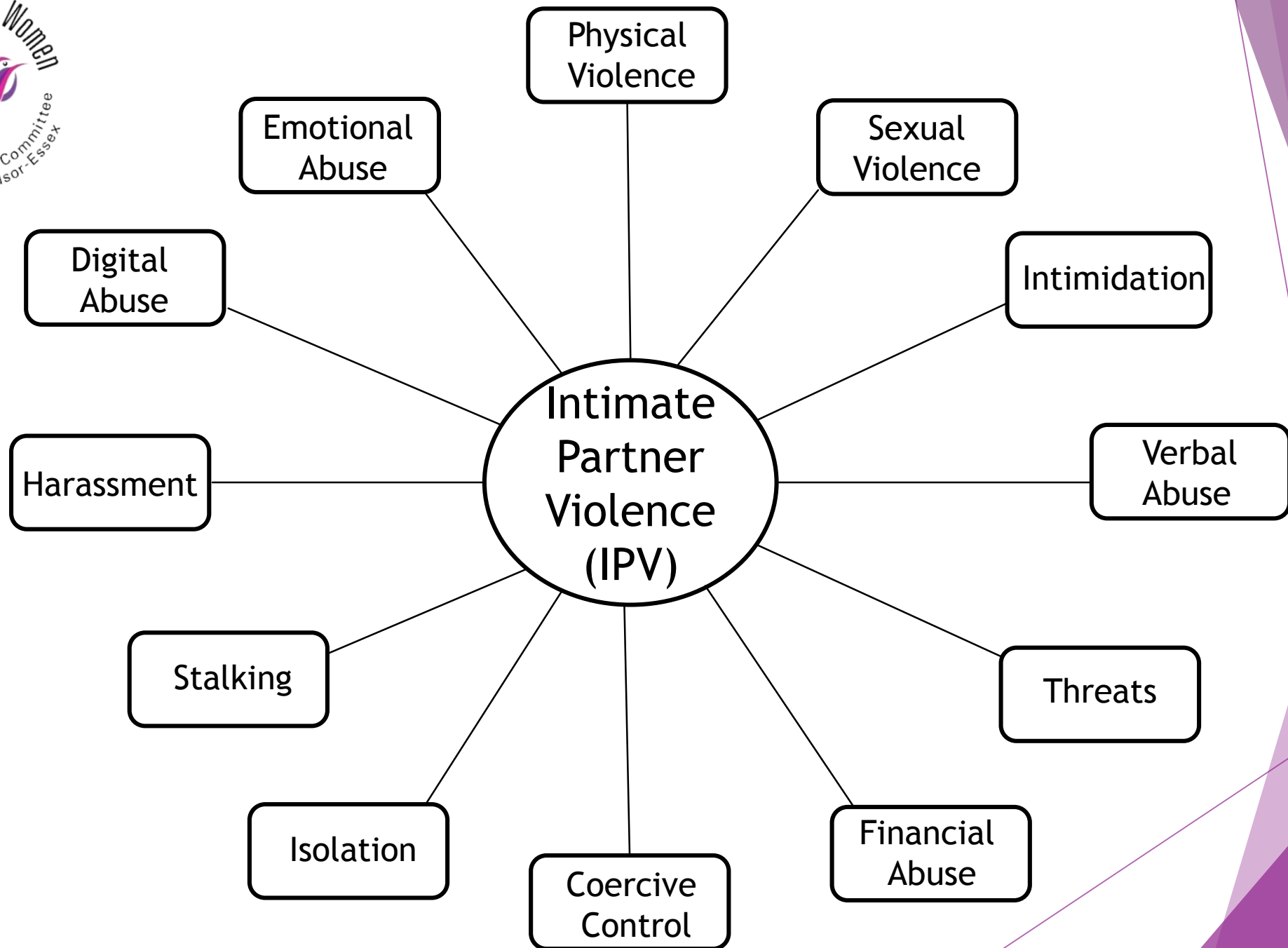


Femicide

Since October 2021, there have been 4 confirmed femicides in Windsor-Essex.

OAITH Femicide Data – Femicide Type (Year to Date)					
Intimate Partner	Family	Known	Relationship not Reported	No Prior Relationship	Total
11	9	8	8	2	38

- ▶ Femicide is the killing of women primarily for the reason of being women.
- ▶ Females 3 times more likely to be killed in spousal (partner) relationship than men (statscan, 2020)

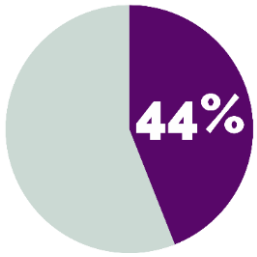




IPV impacts people of
all genders, ages,
socioeconomic, racial,
educational, ethnic,
religious and cultural
backgrounds.



IPV is an Epidemic



of all Canadian women have experienced IPV in their lifetimes.



people in Canada (64%) personally know a woman who has experienced abuse.



women and girls lose their lives to violence in Canada each year.



declared IPV as a global health problem of epidemic proportions.



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+ \$7.4 billion

The annual cost of IPV in Canada.



IPV repeats itself across generations.



Rates of violence, including lethal incidents, continue to rise.



There is mounting evidence linking mass violence events to attacks on women.



Barriers for IPV Victims in Rural Areas

- ▶ 1.8 times higher in rural areas in 2019
- ▶ women new to Canada are especially vulnerable
- ▶ Role of firearms impacts degree of risk
- ▶ Isolation
 - ▶ Proximity to services
 - ▶ Police response time
 - ▶ Low digital connectivity
 - ▶ Transportation



Importance of the Declaration

IPV affects us all!

- ▶ Trauma experienced by survivors and children is immeasurable.
- ▶ IPV as a public health issue we must be aware of.

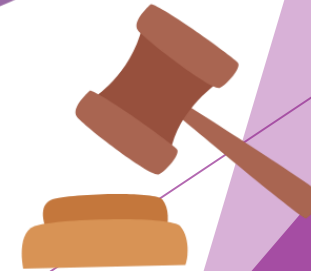


What we know about IPV

- ▶ 2021 marked the 7th consecutive year of an increase in police-reported IPV incidents in Canada.
- ▶ Annually 80,000 victims of IPV are involved in the Ontario Court System.
- ▶ Every 6 days a woman in Canada is murdered by her intimate partner.



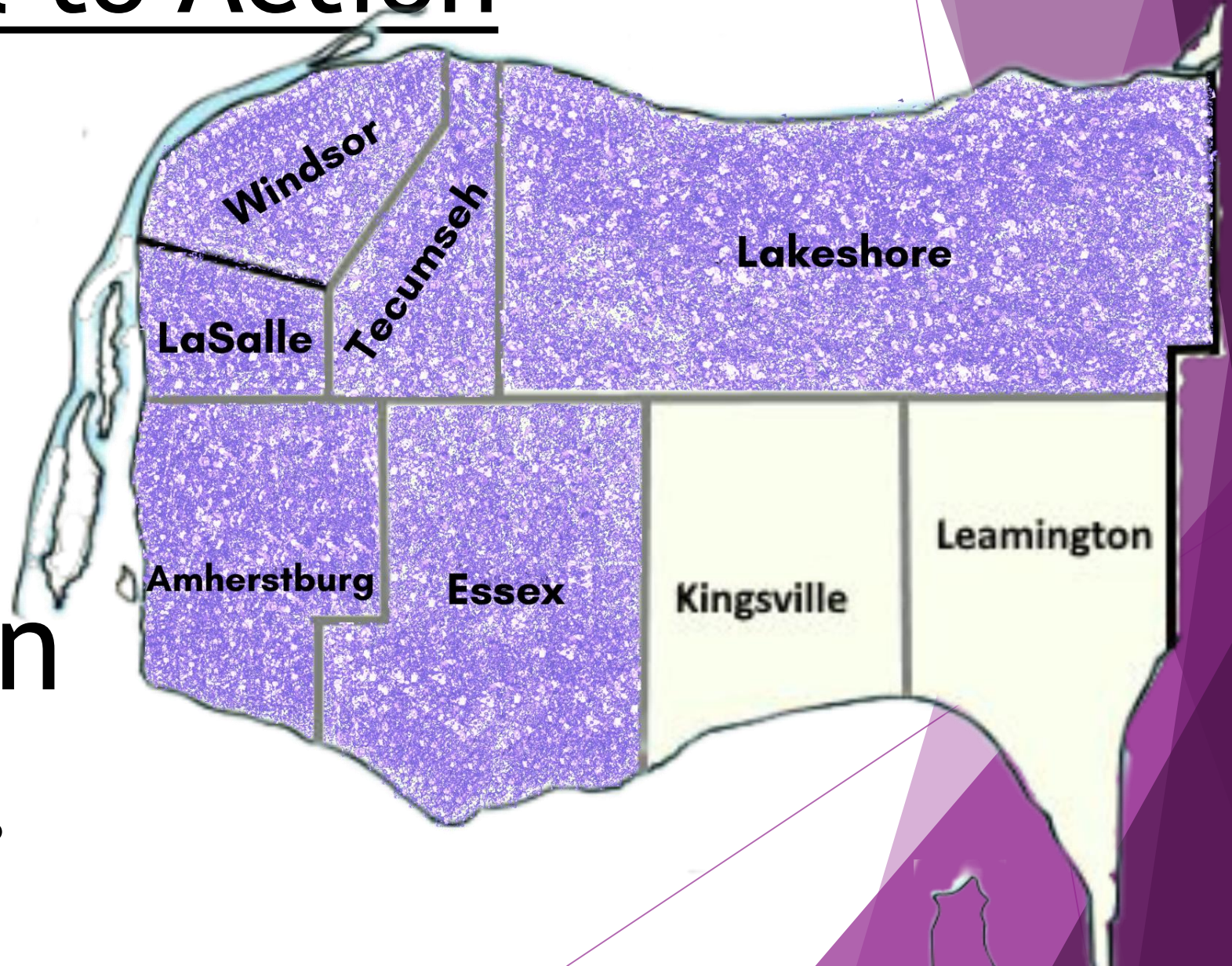
25 Local Organizations Support the Declaration





Call to Action

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*Thank you for listening on behalf
of the Violence Against Women
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