

## Examples of Economic-Related Crimes and Potential Associated Costs\*

- Property Damage or Destruction:** Fill out for each individual item.  
 What is the damage: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to repair: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to replace: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Out-of-pocket cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on work? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost of alternative transportation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Amount of lost wages: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on housing? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost of alternative housing: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Cost of landlord fees: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on education? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost of alternative transportation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Cost of impact (fees, tuition, registration, transfer, etc.): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Amount of lost funding: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (description and amount): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- Assault/Battery/Other Violent Crimes**  
 What are the injuries: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of healthcare: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of the ambulance: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount insurance did not cover: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Possible future health needs? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Estimated cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on work? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Amount of lost wages: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on education? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost of impact (fees, tuition, registration, transfer, etc.): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Amount of lost scholarship or financial aid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (description and amount): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- Theft/Robbery/Larceny**  
 What was stolen or taken? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to replace? \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to change financial accounts: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount of money or wages taken: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to change locks: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to install security systems: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on work? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Amount of lost wages: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on education? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost of impact (fees, tuition, registration, transfer, etc.): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Amount of lost scholarship or financial aid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Stolen welfare benefits? Yes  No   
 Other (description and amount): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- Fraud**  
 What kind of fraud? Benefit  Credit card   
 Tax  Medical  Employment  Other   
 Impact on credit score? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost to repair: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on work? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Amount of lost wages: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of fees or repayment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (description and amount): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- Identity Theft**  
 Impact on credit score? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost to repair: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to change financial accounts: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to remove fraudulent postings from the internet: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount of stolen resources: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of relocation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (description and amount): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- Electronic Surveillance**  
 What is the type and extent of surveillance: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on work? Yes  No   
 Impact on education? Yes  No   
 Cost of new phone or computer: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost to change financial accounts: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of alternative transportation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of relocation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (description and amount): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Witness Intimidation**  
 Damage to property or vehicle? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost to repair: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Cost to replace: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Cost of alternative transportation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on work? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Amount of lost wages: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on education? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost of impact (fees, tuition, registration, transfer, etc.): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ Amount of lost scholarship or financial aid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Impact on housing? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost of alternative housing: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cost of mental health care: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Internet-based harassment? Yes  No   
 ⇒ Cost to remove fraudulent postings: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (description and amount): \_\_\_\_\_  
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\*Not an exhaustive list of crimes or their financial impacts. Think creatively and comprehensively when determining the amount of restitution and the type of economic relief to request.

## Economic-Related Evidence:

- ❑ Photographs of injuries and damaged property.
- ❑ Security camera footage from neighboring businesses or residences that may have captured injuries or property damage if they occurred outside.
- ❑ Property in the offender's possession at the time of arrest that belonged to the victim.
- ❑ Damaged or destroyed property's value or repair cost, with corroboration from the victim.
- ❑ Calls, emails, text messages and social media both at home and at work or school.
- ❑ Financial documents showing related costs of the violence (bills, bank statements, credit reports, invoices, receipts, canceled checks, stolen pay checks, etc.).
- ❑ Documentation of health care costs due to injuries from violence.
- ❑ Records of missed work or school (HR leave request forms, school attendance reports, security sign-in logs, etc.) as a result of the violence.
- ❑ Forensic accounting showing cyber-stalking/ electronic surveillance, online economic crimes and identity theft; monitoring from the offender's work and home technology; phone/ email spoofs, unauthorized GPS tracking and phone breaking on the victim's end.
- ❑ Protection measures taken by the victim (security systems, moving to another residence, changing phone numbers, etc.) and the costs of such measures (receipts, bills, bank statements, credit card reports, etc.).

## Why Consider Economic Security?

- Victims will be more likely to **participate in the prosecution** if their basic needs are met and to **give honest testimony** if protected from the offender's economic-based threats.
- Economic insecurity, dependence on an abuser or economic abuse can **help judges and juries understand** why victims stay with an abuser, delay reporting an assault and recant or contradict previous statements.
- Prosecutors can **hold offenders accountable** by charging for all economic crimes committed and requesting restitution for every cost incurred.
- Prosecutors can rely on economic-based crimes and evidence to **successfully try cases** even if the victim is unwilling or unable to testify.
- Victims are more likely to **report additional or future crimes** if their trust in the justice system is improved by prosecutors recognizing and supporting their economic security.

Access the full Prosecutor's Guide to Safety and Economic Security for Victims of Violence Against Women for additional tools and recommendations.



## The Prosecutor's Economic Security Pocket Guide

### Checklists to Assess Economic-based Evidence, Crimes and Restitution Requests for Cases of Violence Against Women



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