

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): _____
- 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): _____

*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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