



Domestic Violence 2025 Update

VOLUSIA COUNTY DV PROBLEM

2025 info will be available July 2027

2023 Volusia Co. Rate = **562.9**

BETTER than 2022!

BUT still higher than
FL Average!

Volusia Co. Rate per 100K
people > than counties with
larger populations: **Orange,**
Dade, Hillsborough, Pinellas, Duval

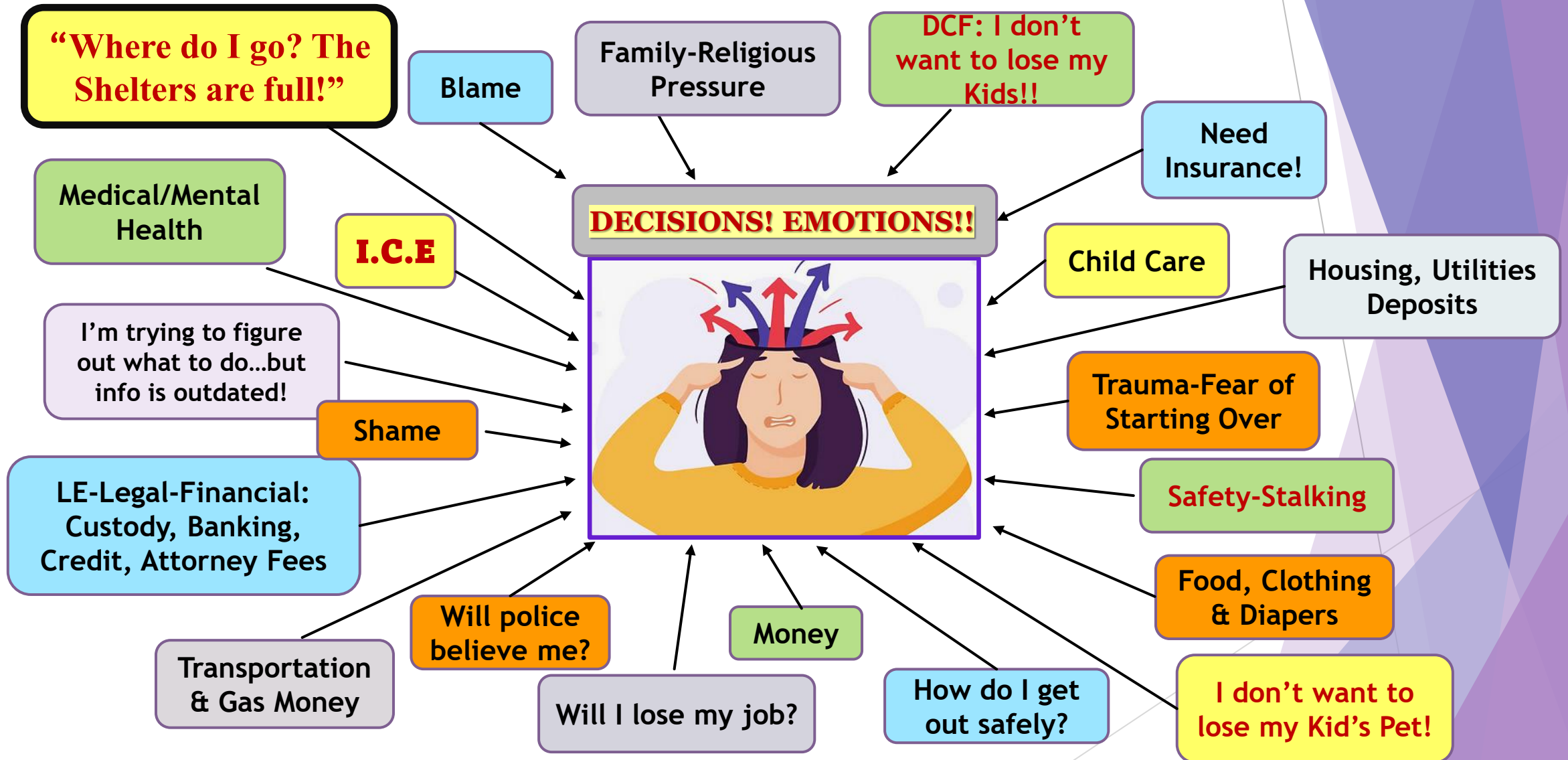
WHAT DO WE DO?

2023 Domestic Violence Offenses, Rate Per 100,000 Population

Sorted by Rate

Placement		County	Count	Population	2022 Rate	2023 Rate
2022	2023	Florida	71,431	22,685,583	305.0	314.9
3	4	Volusia	3,279	582,549	604.7	562.9
10	13	Seminole	2,049	491,029	418.4	417.3
15	16	Orange	5,926	1,513,466	393.8	391.6
38	33	Flagler	336	128,632	244.4	261.2
13	11	Hillsborough(Tampa)	6,681	1,553,742	412.5	430.0
16	21	Pinellas(St. Pete)	3,525	979,894	386.6	359.7
18	8	Duval (Jax)	5,096	1,051,847	382.0	484.5
34	31	Dade	7,551	2,785,095	274.6	271.1

“Why Don’t They Just Leave?”



Community NPO Partners

Value

- Coordinated Team of Organizations and Advocates
- Comprehensive support that is greater than independent organizational resources



1. Foundations to Freedom
2. DAC
3. Miss Nells Haven
4. Survivor Center
5. FFT Helping Others
6. Deland Victim Advocates
7. The Neighborhood Center
8. VCO Victim Advocates
9. After Awareness
10. Nuevo Sendero
11. Community Legal Services Mid Florida

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WE ARE...

A Partnership of:

- Domestic Violence Advocates
- Non-Profits
- Community Leaders
- Law Enforcement Victim Advocates
- Legal Advocates



WHAT WE DO?... **HELP!**

*Because Nobody has Time to Shop for
Resources during a Crisis!*

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VSO Dedicated Victim Advocate

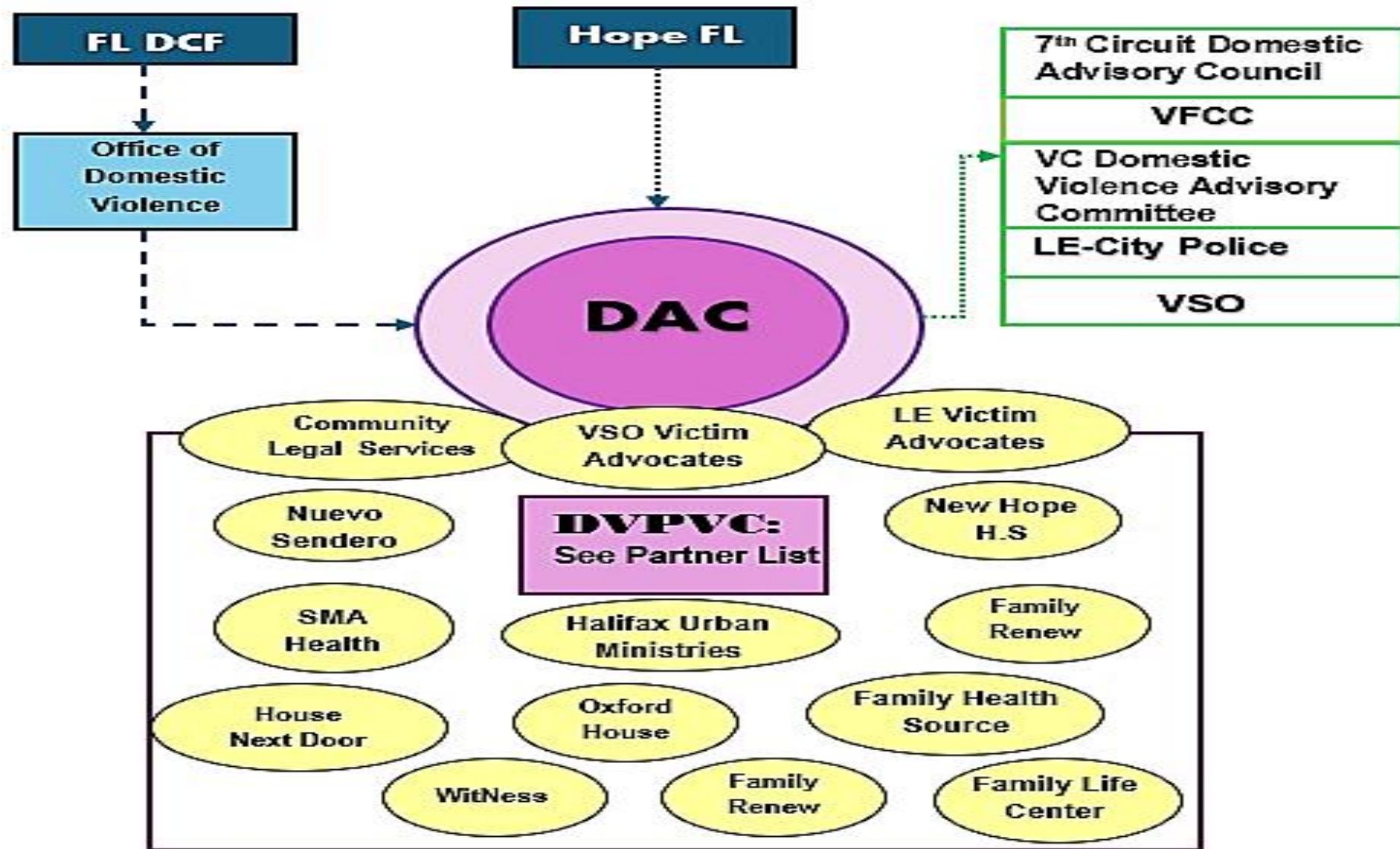


**VOLUSIA
SHERIFF**
MICHAEL J. CHITWOOD

Elena Bonkov, Victim Advocate

- ✓ District 4 Trauma and Crime Victims need full support. Bridge between the citizens and local resources to help them navigate challenges
- ✓ Help to find local resources... emergency housing, legal support, counseling
- ✓ Help citizens to understand their rights and options
- ✓ Not get lost in the system!

Volusia County DV Response Path



Community Help Path



Traditional Route

Nite or Weekend?

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Option

Primary Shelter Response

DAC

Foundations
To Freedom

Halifax Urban
Ministries
(HUM)

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Ctr

DAC
24/7
Hotline
386-255-2102

Space?

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Wrap Around Services- NPO/Partners

After
Awareness

Hope Florida

Family Health
Source

Miss Nell's
Haven

Community
Legal Services

SMA
Healthcare

Survivor
Center

The House Next
Door

Nuevo
Sendero

Family Life
Center

WitNess

Halifax Urban
Ministries(HUM)

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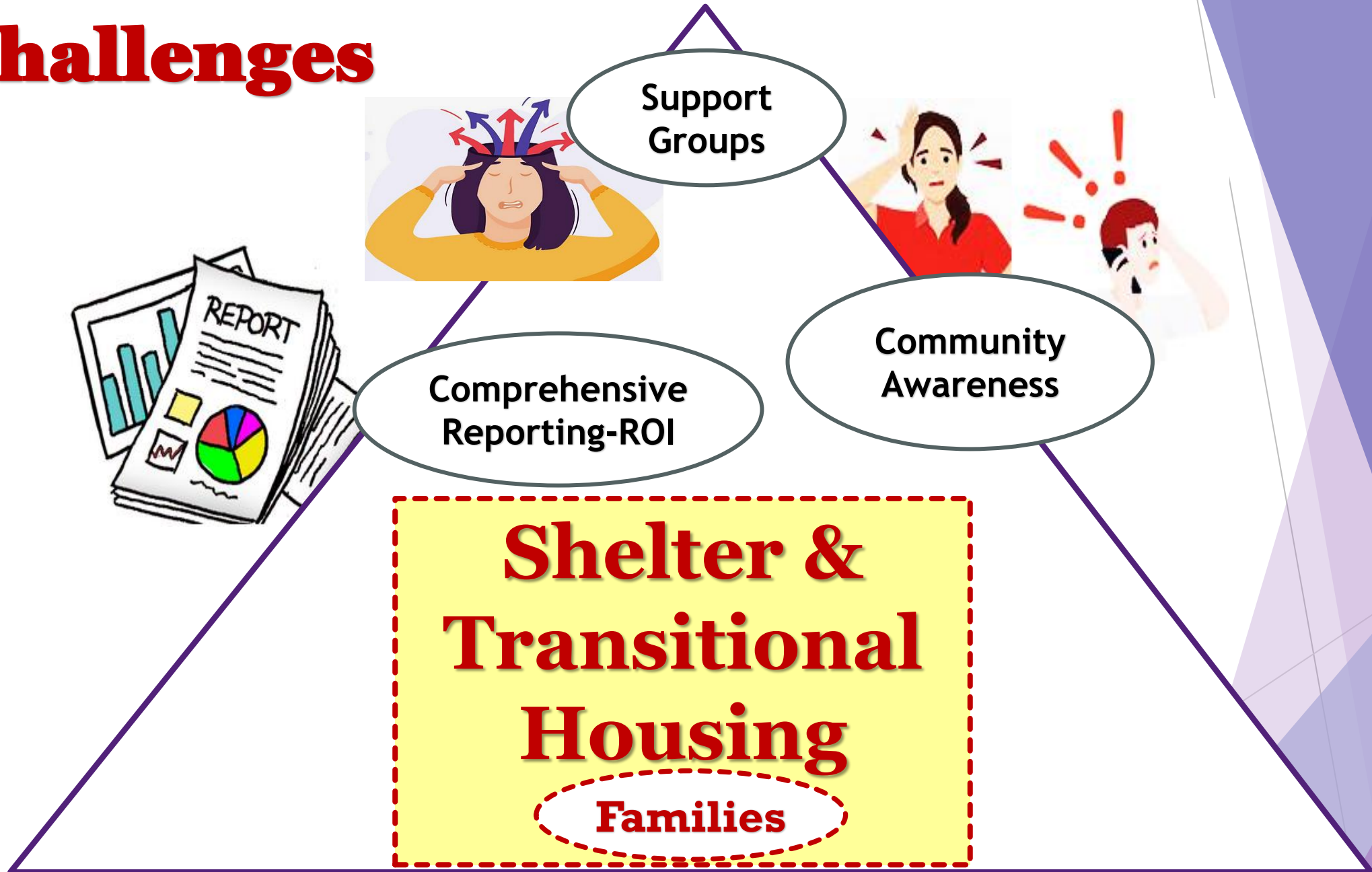
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Human
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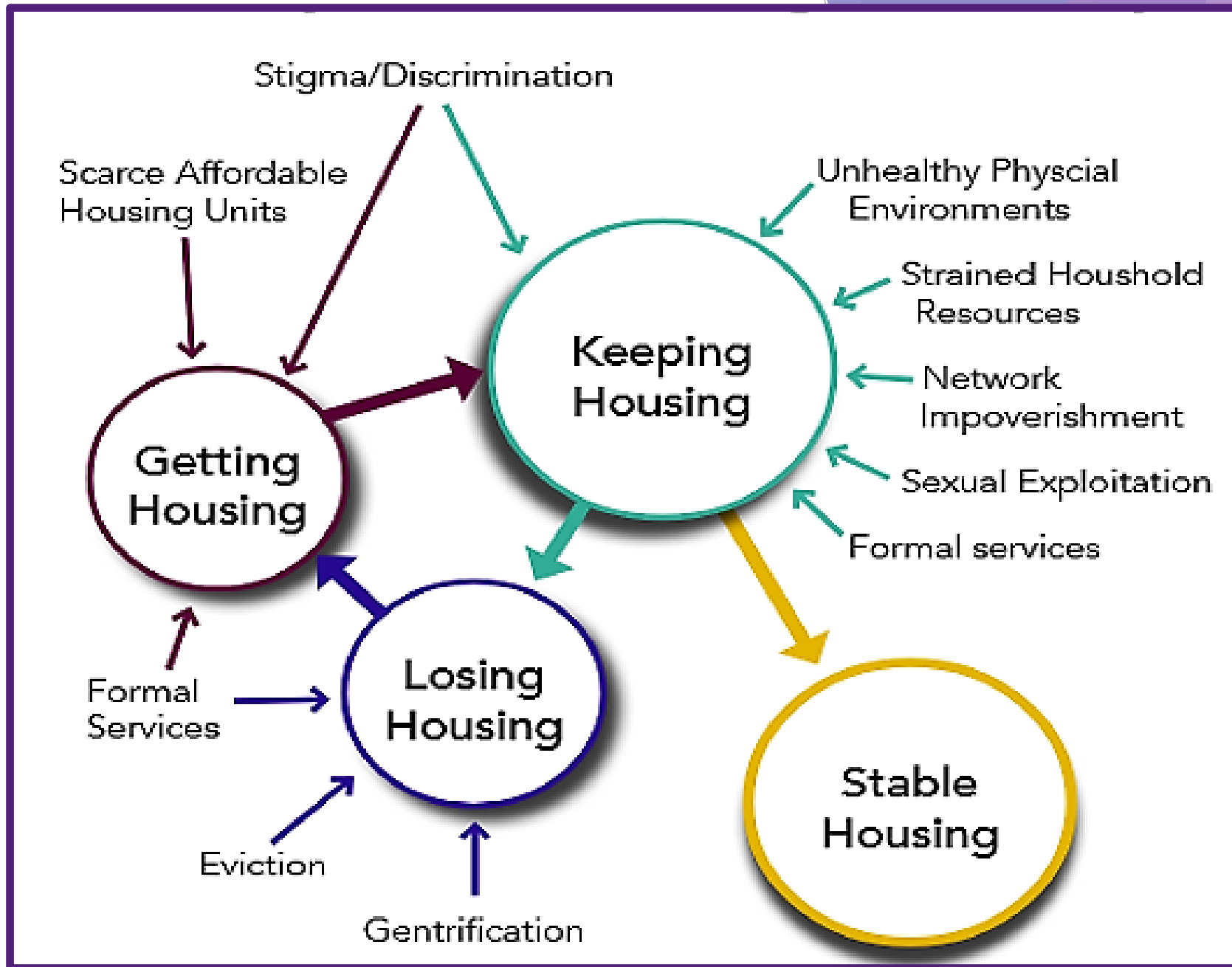
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Challenges



Lack of Housing Instability



Questions ??

