



# Financial Abuse

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*Financial abuse is a specific type of abuse that one person in a relationship chooses to use as a way to control and manipulate the other person. There are a variety of ways financial abuse may show up.*

- Closely monitoring their partner's money and purchases
- Changing account information to prevent their partner from accessing finances
- Stealing money from their partner (in-person or virtual banking apps)
- Applying for credit cards, and loans in their partner's name
- Making their partner feel obligated to pay for everything because their partner receives scholarships or other financial assistance
- Preventing their partner from working (taking the car or hiding the keys)
- Controlling their partner's work schedule
- Refusing to contribute financially (refusing to pay rent, or shared bills)
- Forcing their partner to pay for everything
- Harassing their partner at work
- Harassing their partner's co-workers, supervisors, managers, etc.

***If you believe you or someone you know is experiencing financial abuse, or any other forms abuse from a current or former intimate partner, contact MSU Safe Place for information and support.***

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