CREATING PROTECTIVE ENVIRONMENTS

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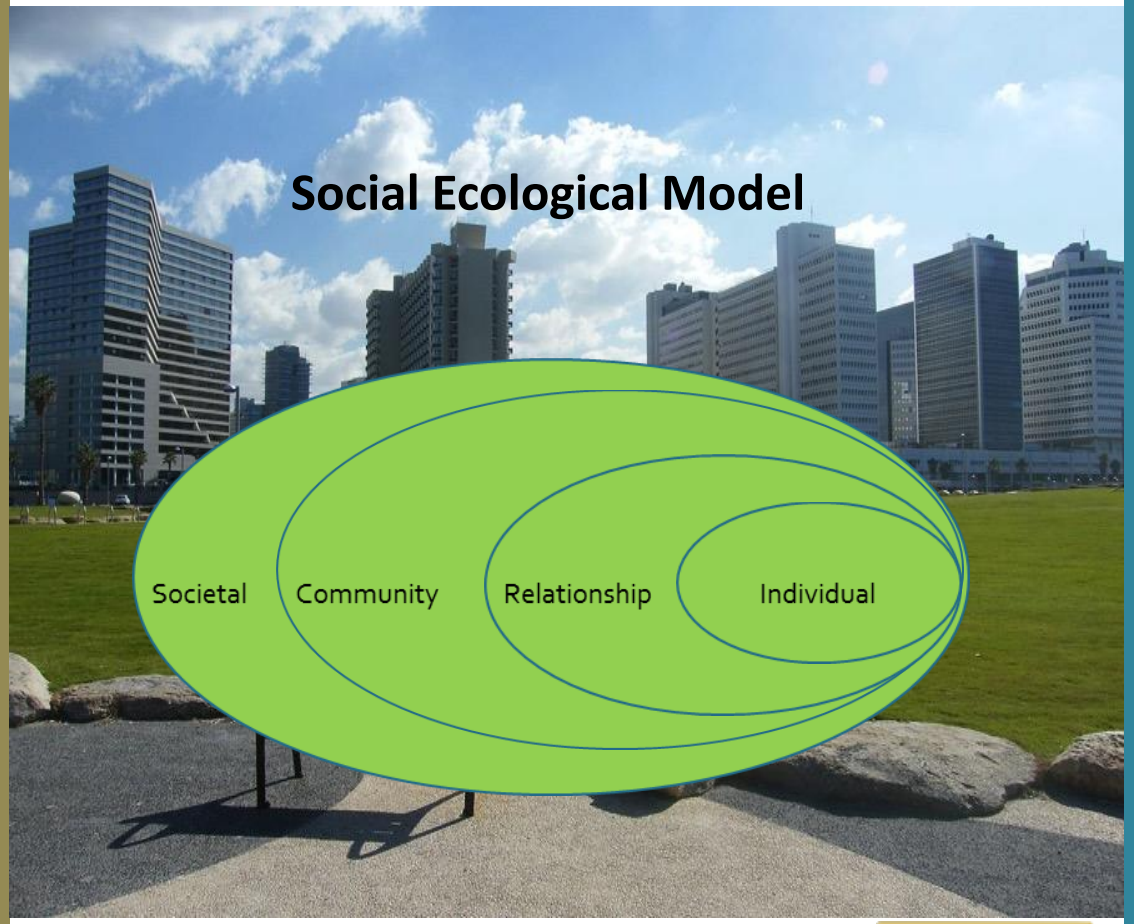

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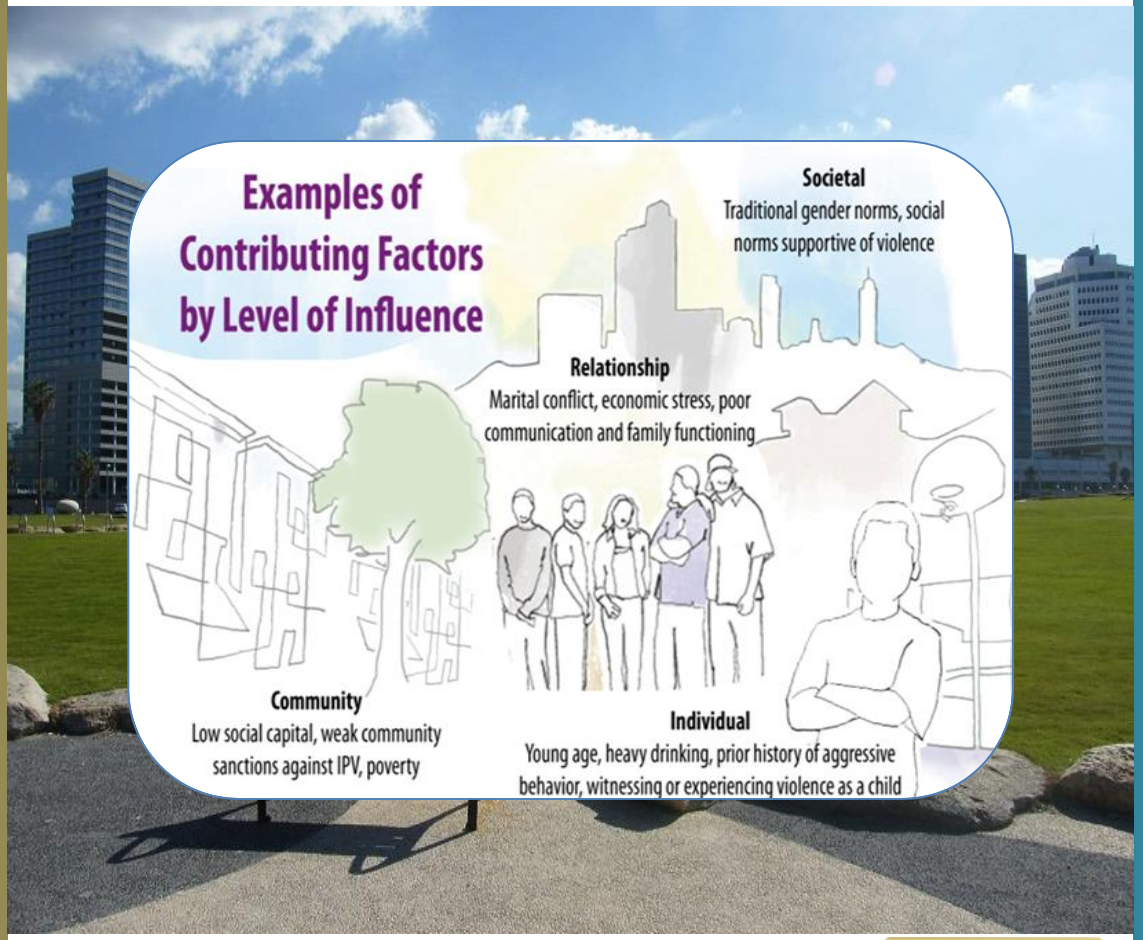
Social Ecological Model



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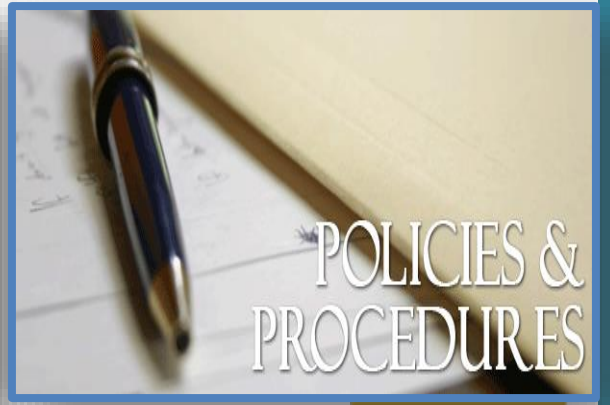
Neighborhoods

Schools

Workplaces



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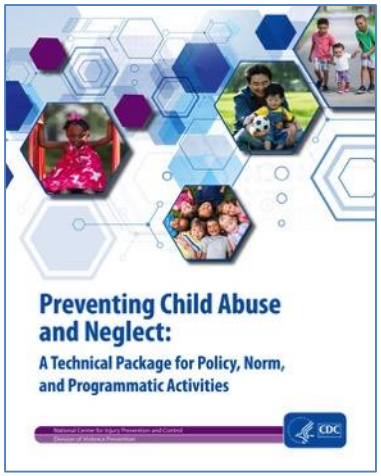
DVP's Suite of Technical Packages



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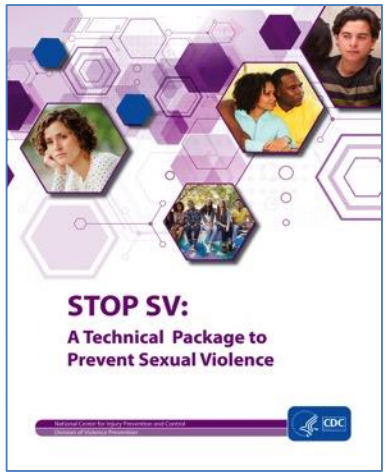

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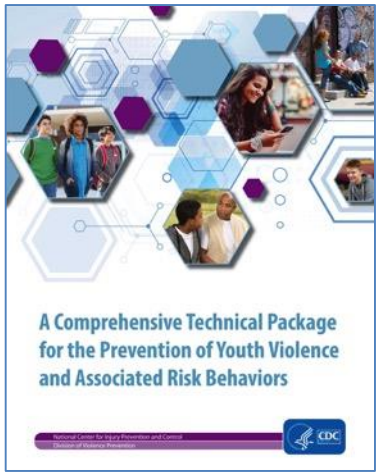

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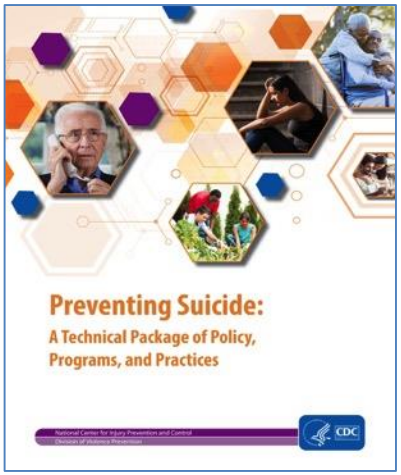

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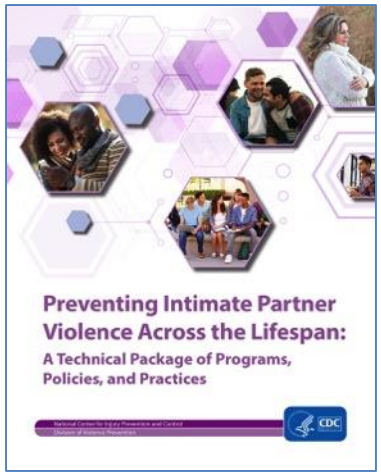

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http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pub/technical-packages.html

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Strategies to STOP Sexual Violence

Source: Basile, K. C., DeGue, S., Jones, K., Freire, K., Dills, J., Smith, S. G., & Raiford, J. L. (2016*). STOP SV: A Technical Package to Prevent Sexual Violence*. Atlanta, GA: National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
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Strategies to Prevent Partner Violence

- Teach safe and healthy relationship skills
- Create protective environments
- Engage influential adults and peers
- Strengthen economic supports for families
- Disrupt the developmental pathways toward partner violence
- Support survivors to increase safety and lessen harms

Source: Niolon, P. H., Kearns, M., Dills, J., Rambo, K., Irving, S., Armstead, T., & Gilbert, L. (2017). *Preventing Intimate Partner Violence Across the Lifespan: A Technical Package of Programs, Policies and Practices*. Atlanta, GA: National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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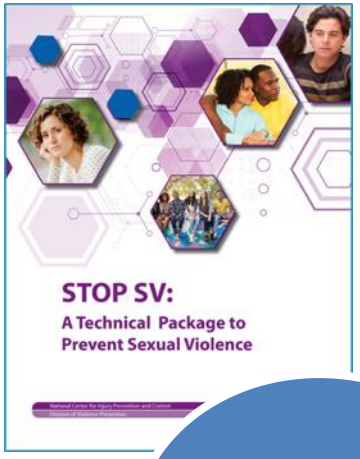
Modify the physical and social environments of neighborhood and community settings



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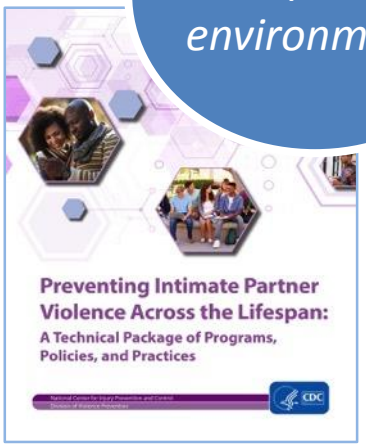

Examples:

Alcohol-outlet density
Greening urban spaces

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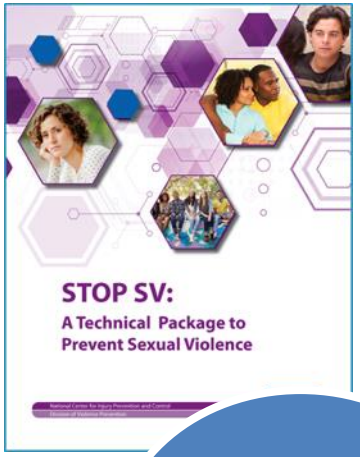
Modify the physical and social environments of school settings



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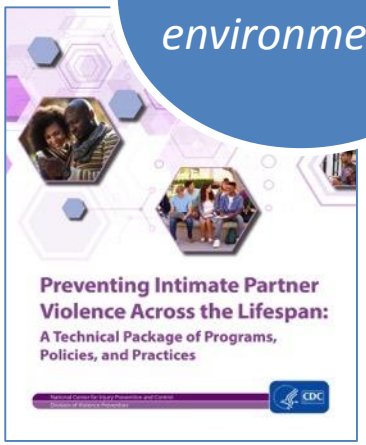

Example:

Shifting Boundaries building-level intervention

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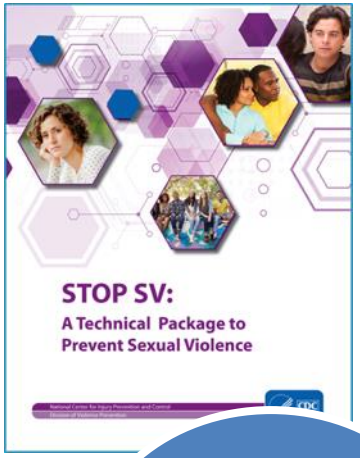
Improve workplace and organization settings



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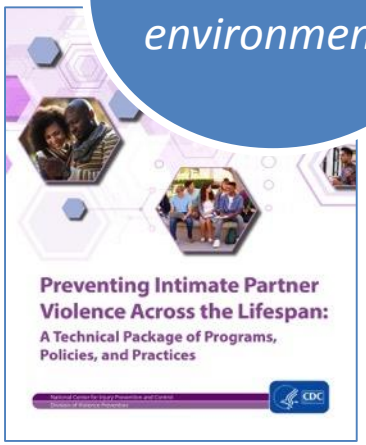

Examples:

Sexual Harassment Prevention Policies
IPV and the Workplace Training
Air Force Program

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Creating Protective Environments

Fundamental part of prevention

Key to achieving population-level impacts

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Visit CDC's page on the technical packages

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and other violence prevention pages

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