

IF I AM A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WITH AN IRREGULAR IMMIGRATION STATUS, WHAT SORT OF LEGAL RESOURCES CAN I ACCESS?



In the United States, the **VAWA law** protects migrants with irregular migration status who suffer threats or physical or emotional violence from a spouse or a family member who has permanent citizenship or residency in the United States. This law allows certain people who have been victims of abuse to submit their own petition without the consent of the abuser, so that they can legally reside in the United States independently.