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AN INVESTIGATION OF THE IMPACT OF ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN IN ADDRESSING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN BULAWAYO: A CASE STUDY OF MZILIKAZI AND MAKOKOBA TOWNSHIP.

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ABSTRACT
This study aims to investigate the impact of economic empowerment of women in addressing domestic violence. In particular the study examined the extent to which economic empowerment of women addresses domestic violence. The study triangulated quantitative and qualitative research approaches. Under the qualitative approach in-depth interviews were used. Interviews were conducted with key informants and selected women participants. The quantitative approach utilized a questionnaire that was distributed to informants. Questionnaires were used to gather statistical information. This study demonstrates how economic empowerment of women has played a role in addressing domestic violence. In addition, this study exposes that economic empowerment of women may sometimes exacerbate the incidences of domestic violence.