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In this hour we will define the many ways in which people experience intimate partner violence and abuse, as well as the power and control tactics that abusers use. Our guest will describe the police response to domestic violence calls and what needs to change in their training so their responses are more appropriate and effective. We will look at the role that socialization and violence in the media has on this issue, as well as the impact of having a firearm in the home. We will explore the why it is so difficult to leave an abusive relationship and how to assess for lethality. We will al

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**Featured Guest**

Guest Image

**Dave Thomas**

Dave retired from the Montgomery County Police Department in 2000 after 15 years of Service. His final assignment was the founding of their Domestic Violence Unit. He was also responsible for the department's curriculum and policy development for domestic violence training and related issues. Dave was the 2nd highest decorated officer in the history of the department, receiving both the silver and bronze medals of valor as well as the Women's Alliance of Maryland DV Advocacy Award, the Montgomery County Executive's Award, Johns Hopkins University Martin Luther King Jr. Community Services Award, and honored at the White House as a Champion of Change. Dave is involved in DV curriculum and po

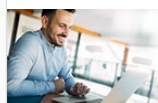
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