The National Center on Elder Abuse reports that one in ten seniors are victims of elder abuse. This is likely to be an underestimation, as only 1 in 24 cases of elder abuse is reported, in part because older people are often afraid to report cases of abuse to family, friends, or to the authorities.

**Who are the abusers?**

- Abusers can be men or women
- Approximately 2/3 of abusers are family members.
- Abusers can be caregivers in any setting.
- Many times, abusers have a history of alcohol, drug or other abuse, or they may suffer from mental illness.
- Abusers exert excessive control over their victims.

The abused have a 300% higher risk of death, as a consequence of abuse. Other consequences include isolation, intimidation, mental anguish, physical pain and financial ruin.

**There is HOPE...**

- Help is available.
- The **Elder Justice Center** is a safe space for elderly victims of crime, abuse, violence and/or trauma.

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- Danny R. Williams, JD, MNO, LNHA, President & CEO

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