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## Domestic Violence Counts Kentucky Summary

On September 15, 2010, 15 out of 15, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Kentucky participated in the 2010 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 1,114 Victims Served in One Day

689 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs.

425 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including individual counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

| Services Provided by Local Programs:             | Sept. 15 |
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| Individual Support or Advocacy                   | 100%     |
| Group Support or Advocacy                        | 100%     |
| Children's Support or Advocacy                   | 100%     |
| Transportation                                   | 100%     |
| Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses) | 100%     |
| Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy               | 87%      |
| Rural Outreach                                   | 73%      |
| Financial Skills/Budgeting                       | 60%      |

### 248 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources. In the 24-hour survey period, domestic violence programs answered more than 10 hotline calls every hour.

### 94 Unmet Requests for Services

Many programs reported a critical shortage of funds and staff to assist victims in need of services, such as emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation. Of these unmet requests, 43 (46%) were from victims seeking emergency shelter or transitional housing.

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 40% reported not enough specialized services.
- 33% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 27% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 27% reported not enough staff.
- 13% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

### 100% of Programs Reported Higher Demand for Services

As communities continue to experience job loss and decreased community resources, 100% of programs reported a rise in demand for services, while at the same time 67% of programs reported a decrease in funding.

"We had three women in shelter who obtained their very first jobs on the survey day!"