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Domestic Violence Counts Wyoming Summary

On September 12, 2012, 23 out of 23, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Wyoming participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

274 Victims Served in One Day

76 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

198 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including 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. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	78%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	52%
Children's Support or Advocacy	43%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	43%
Group Support or Advocacy	35%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	30%
Transportation	26%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	26%

128 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

23 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 23 individuals in communities across Wyoming attended 3 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

67 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 60 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

61% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 41 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

1. Attorney/Legal Representation
2. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 26% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 9% reported not enough staff.
- 4% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 4% reported not enough specialized services.
- 4% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"We need to teach our children that it's not okay to hurt someone else. Help us stop the abuse."

