Unmet Requests for Services In One Day

Many programs reported a critical shortage of funds and staff to assist victims in need of services such as transportation, childcare, language translation, mental health and substance abuse counseling, and legal representation. Of these unmet requests, 24 were from victims seeking emergency shelter or transitional housing.

Programs reported that lack of staffing was a reason that they could not meet domestic violence victims’ request for services. 71% of programs have less than 20 paid staff, including 18% of programs that have less than 10 paid staff. The average starting salary of a full-time, salaried front-line advocate is $29,058.

Attorneys

Victims of domestic violence often need legal assistance with restraining orders and civil and family court matters. Of programs that participated in the Census, only 20% of programs reported being able to regularly connect a victim requesting legal assistance with an attorney.

550 Victims Served In One Day

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

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

Attorneys

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On the survey day, 215 individuals in communities across Alaska attended 14 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

Domestic Violence Counts: A 24-Hour Census of Domestic Services