



# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS

## North Dakota

### Summary

On September 14, 2016, 19 out of 20 (**95%**) identified domestic violence programs in North Dakota participated in the National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information provided by these 19 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

#### 309 Victims Served in One Day

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

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

Services Provided by Local Programs	Sept. 14th
Individual Support or Advocacy	<b>95%</b>
Children’s Support or Advocacy	<b>79%</b>
Emergency Shelter	<b>68%</b>
Court or Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	<b>53%</b>
Support/Advocacy Related to Mental Health	<b>26%</b>
Support/Advocacy Related to Substance Abuse	<b>16%</b>

#### 145 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, local and state hotline staff answered **145** calls, averaging **6** hotline calls every hour.

#### 170 Attended Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, **170** individuals in communities across North Dakota attended **6** training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much-needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

#### 25 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day, of which 80% (20) were for Housing

When there are not enough resources, survivors’ requests for a safe place to live, legal representation, counseling, and other supportive services go tragically unmet—countless times in a single day.

Victims made **25** requests for services—including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, legal advocacy, and more—that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to provide these services.

❖ **An advocate said, “One survivor arrived seeking assistance and left sharing her appreciation. She had no family or other supports who she could go to for help. Our staff provided her with resources within our agency and within our community. She stated she finally felt supported and relieved after coming in and speaking with our staff.”**

