



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS Nebraska Summary

On September 13, 2017, 21 out of 21 (100%) identified domestic violence programs in Nebraska participated in the National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by these 21 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

464 Victims Served in One Day

172 adult and child victims of domestic violence found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs.

292 adult and child victims received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children’s support groups.

Services Provided by Local Programs	On Census Day
Children’s Support or Advocacy	76%
Emergency Shelter	71%
Transportation	67%
Bilingual Advocacy (services provided by someone who is bilingual)	57%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	5%

243 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources. During the 24-hour survey period, local and state hotline staff in Nebraska answered on average ten hotline calls per hour.

333 Attended Prevention and Education Trainings

On Census Day, 333 individuals in communities across Nebraska attended 11 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much-needed information on domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

55 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day, of which 60% (33) were for Housing

Victims made nearly 60 requests for services—including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, legal representation, and more—that could not be provided because programs lacked the resources to meet victims’ needs.

In the past year, nine local programs in Nebraska laid off or did not fill ten staff positions. Many of these positions (22%) were direct service providers, such as shelter staff or legal advocates. This means that there were fewer advocates to answer calls for help or provide needed services.

❖ “A client who utilized our services several years ago contacted us about providing life coaching and employment services in her business to fellow survivors. She nearly lost her business in the process of leaving her abuser but brought it back from the ground up. She wanted to give back to our organization by offering this opportunity to others.”

