



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT ARKANSAS SUMMARY

On September 12, 2019, 29 out of 31 (94%) identified domestic violence programs in Arkansas participated in a national census of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). The following figures represent the information shared by these 29 participating programs regarding the services provided during DV Counts Day, the 24-hour survey period.

605 Victims Served in One Day

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

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

Type of Service Provided on DV Counts Day	% of Programs Providing Service
Transportation	62%
Children’s Support or Advocacy	48%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	48%
Court Accompaniment/Legal Advocacy	31%
Transitional or Other Housing	14%

149 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 Arkansas answered 149 calls, on average 6 calls per hour.

❖ A woman and her children were seeking help finding affordable housing. We typically run out of housing funds before the end of the year, and we were unable to help them at our program. If we had received more funding this year, we could have offered to re-house them right away.

96 Individuals Attended Prevention and Educational Trainings

Community education is essential to raising awareness about domestic violence and the resources that are available to victims, while promoting prevention strategies. On DV Counts Day, local domestic violence programs educated 96 individuals in communities across Arkansas. Advocates provided 13 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

120 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day, of which 52% (62) were for Housing and Emergency Shelter

Victims made 120 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. Increased funding will enable domestic violence programs to provide comprehensive services to all survivors seeking help and to prevent violence in their communities.