



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT GEORGIA SUMMARY

On September 12, 2019, 45 out of 51 **(88%)** identified domestic violence programs in Georgia 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 45 participating programs regarding the services provided during DV Counts Day, the 24-hour survey period.

2,319 Victims Served in One Day

1,531 adult and child victims of domestic violence found refuge in emergency shelters, transitional housing, or other housing provided by local domestic violence programs.

788 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
Emergency Shelter	84%
Children’s Support or Advocacy	82%
Court Accompaniment/Legal Advocacy	60%
Transitional or Other Housing	33%

714 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 Georgia answered 714 calls, on average 30 calls per hour.

❖ A survivor called our hotline after fleeing another state with her small child. Her abusive partner was tracking her and found her every time she moved. She traveled by public transportation, and when she arrived at the last stop, she began calling around desperately for a place to stay. Unfortunately, our shelter and the surrounding shelters were all full.

933 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 933 individuals in communities across Georgia. Advocates provided 21 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

383 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day, of which 83% (317) were for Housing and Emergency Shelter

Victims made 383 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.