



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT NEW JERSEY SUMMARY

On September 12, 2019, 30 out of 30 (100%) identified domestic violence programs in New Jersey 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 30 participating programs regarding the services provided during DV Counts Day, the 24-hour survey period.

1,230 Victims Served in One Day

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

709 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
Court Accompaniment/Legal Advocacy	73%
Support/Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	67%
Transportation	63%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults (by a licensed practitioner)	60%
Childcare/Daycare	40%

571 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 New Jersey answered 571 calls, on average 24 calls per hour.

❖ A male survivor in the LGBTQ community was being cyberstalked and was at risk of losing his job because of his abusive partner’s harassment. He was referred to us by a community partner and we helped him obtain a restraining order to begin rebuilding his life free from violence.

265 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 265 individuals in communities across New Jersey. Advocates provided 16 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

126 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day, of which 65% (82) were for Housing and Emergency Shelter

Victims made 126 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.