# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Alaska Summary

On September 12, 2012, 17 out of 19, or 89%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Alaska participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 17 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### **464 Victims Served in One Day**

344 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

120 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	88%
Children's Support or Advocacy	82%
Advocacy Related to Housing	82%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	71%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	59%
Advocacy Related to Substance Abuse	47%
Job Training/Employment Assistant	29%
Bilingual Advocacy	24%

### 114 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **308 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 308 individuals in communities across Alaska attended 13 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 52 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 50 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 67% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 35 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:



24% reported limited funding for programs and services.



12% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"Compassionate lawyers really make all the difference. The court system is very hard to navigate and many victims feel that the process is too difficult. This often results in them not getting protection orders, divorces, or even demanding their rights. We don't have enough pro-bono lawyers and our single full-time legal advocate isn't enough to meet our demand."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Alabama Summary

On September 12, 2012, 18 out of 18, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Alabama participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 987 Victims Served in One Day

363 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

624 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	94%
Individual Support or Advocacy	94%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	56%
Children's Support or Advocacy	89%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	50%
Group Support or Advocacy	50%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	39%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	44%

### 135 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **752 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 752 individuals in communities across Alabama attended 35 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 130 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 130 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

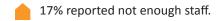
### 72% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 94 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- Emergency Shelter

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:



17% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.

17% reported not enough specialized services (e.g. drug and alcohol counselors).

11% reported no beds available and no money for hotel stays.

6% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"Transitional housing is a vital resource for many victims. It's a opportunity for them to rebuild their lives and start again."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Arkansas Summary

On September 12, 2012, 28 out of 34, or 82%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Arkansas participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 28 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### **463 Victims Served in One Day**

327 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

136 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support of Advocacy	100%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	86%
Children's Support or Advocacy	68%
Transportation	64%
Court/Legal Acccompaniment/Advocacy	36%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	36%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	32%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	29%

### 165 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **308 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 308 individuals in communities across Arkansas attended 13 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 54 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 50 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 72% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 39 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 21% reported not enough staff.
- 21% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 11% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
  - 11% reported no beds available and no money for hotel stays.
  - 4% reported not enough specialize services (e.g., drug and alcohol couselors).

"Ongoing funding cuts to our transitional housing program means that victims stay in shelter longer. This longer stay results in fewer beds available in emergency shelter for other survivors."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Arizona Summary

On September 12, 2012, 37 out of 39, or 95%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Arizona participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 37 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 1,487 Victims Served in One Day

1,104 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

383 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	89%
Transportation	68%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	43%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	30%
Transitional Housing	49%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	49%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	32%
Bilingual Advocacy	41%

### **252 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **288 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 288 individuals in communities across Arizona attended 21 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 152 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 150 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 93% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 142 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Legal Avocacy/Accompaniment

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 5 legal requests from survivors.

Child Custody	73%
Divorce	68%
Protection Order	65%
Child Support	57%
Immigration	51%

"Our staff goes above and beyond. Today, one of our advocates drove 200 miles in one afternoon to pick up a victim who had been abandoned to take her to the nearest shelter."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts California Summary

On September 12, 2012, 99 out of 99, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in California participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 5,258 Victims Served in One Day

2,975 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

2,283 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	85%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	49%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	65%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	21%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	49%
Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	35%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	19%
Translation/Interpretation Services (translator)	21%

### 1,374 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 1,171 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 1,171 individuals in communities across California attended 89 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 1,170 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 1,150 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 68% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 792 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Transitional Housing
- 5. Legal Avocacy/Accompaniment

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 5 legal requests from survivors.

Child Custody	91%
Protection Orders	83%
Divorce	74%
Immigration	71%
Child Support	68%

"Lack of housing and economic support is a huge barrier for women and their children in leaving an abusive situation. Choosing between becoming homeless or continued violence is not a choice anyone should ever have to make."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Colorado Summary

On September 12, 2012, 37 out of 45, or 82%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Colorado participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 37 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 1,055 Victims Served in One Day

617 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

438 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	97%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	46%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	43%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	73%
Children's Support or Advocacy	76%
Transitional Housing	27%
Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	32%
Transportation	24%

### 434 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **390 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 390 individuals in communities across Colorado attended 8 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 187 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 180 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 83% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 156 requests unmet. Other frequently requested unmet needs include legal representation, counseling, and legal advocacy.

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 8 legal requests from survivors.

Protection Orders	84%
Child Custody	81%
Child Support	70%
Child Protection Issues	70%
Divorce	73%
Benefits (social security, TANF, etc.)	59%
Financial or Economic Issues	41%
Relocation or Name Change	46%

"For our programs to move beyond crisis response, we need more funding so we can truly create violence prevention services that promotes self-sufficiency, conflict resolution, and ultimately peace in our community and world."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Connecticut Summary

On September 12, 2012, 15 out of 15, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Connecticut participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 919 Victims Served in One Day

275 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

644 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	93%
Group Support or Advocacy	67%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	93%
Children's Support or Advocacy	93%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	80%
Transportation	73%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	67%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	47%

### 218 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **370 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 370 individuals in communities across Connecticut attended 22 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 69 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 60 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 87% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 60 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Counseling
- 4. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 53% reported no beds available and no money for hotel stays.
- 40% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 20% reported not enough staff.
  - 20% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 20% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

"Survivors have many obstacles and barriers to overcome, including limited affordable housing, high competition for local jobs, and limited financial resources; all these barriers often require staying in shelter beyond 60-90 days."



### Domestic Violence Counts District of Columbia Summary

On September 12, 2012, 12 out of 12, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in District of Columbia participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 447 Victims Served in One Day

310 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

137 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

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Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	83%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	50%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	42%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	42%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	33%
Job Training/Employment Assistant	33%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	33%
Advocacy Related to Health Care	25%

### 41 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **142 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 142 individuals in communities across District of Columbia attended 9 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 69 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 60 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 88% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 61 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 25% reported no beds available and no money for hotel stays.
- 25% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).
- 17% reported not enough staff.
  - 17% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
  - 8% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"Today, we were unable to provide mental health counseling to a resident in her native language becuase no translators were available to translate for the entire session. The mental health counselor and advocate were somewhat successful in facilitating the session, but it would have been helpful to have a counselor who speaks the survivor's language."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Delaware Summary

On September 12, 2012, 7 out of 7, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Delaware participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 131 Victims Served in One Day

68 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

63 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	86%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	43%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	29%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	43%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	0%
Therapy/Counseling for Children	43%
Job Training/Employment Assistant	29%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	43%

### **16 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 9 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 9 individuals in communities across Delaware attended 3 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 9 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 9 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 44% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 4 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 5 legal requests from survivors.

Protection Orders	86%
Child Custody	86%
Child Protection Issues	71%
Child Support	57%
Divorce	57%

"Without legal representation, survivors struggle to establish independent, safe homes for themselves and their children. They often lose custody of their children or have visitation and custody arrangements that are unsafe for them and their children."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Florida Summary

On September 12, 2012, 42 out of 42, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Florida participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 3,090 Victims Served in One Day

1,926 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

1,164 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	95%
Individual Support or Advocacy	98%
Group Support or Advocacy	79%
Children's Support or Advocacy	95%
Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	43%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	57%
Transitional Housing	45%
Advocacy Related to Technology Use (cyberstalking)	19%

### 714 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 778 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 778 individuals in communities across Florida attended 37 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 111 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 110 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 71% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 79 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- Transitional Housing
- 3. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 4. Attorney/Legal Representation

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 29% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 21% reported not enough staff.
- 19% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.
- 10% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).
- 10% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"The work that we do is truly life-saving. It's not just about hotlines, shelters or counseling. We support survivors with their housing, education, employment, and financial needs, but also their emotional and spiritual needs as well. This is a big job, and we're always doing more with less and less."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Georgia Summary

On September 12, 2012, 47 out of 52, or 90%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Georgia participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 47 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 2,029 Victims Served in One Day

1,143 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

886 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	96%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	91%
Children's Support or Advocacy	91%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	49%
Transportation	74%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	53%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	51%
Advocacy Related to Health Care	34%

### **520 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **654 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 654 individuals in communities across Georgia attended 35 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

307 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 300 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 67% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 207 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 36% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.
- 30% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 21% reported not enough staff.
- 15% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).
  - 11% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"Today, one of the survivors we worked with got an apartment. She was most excited about seeing her name on a lease agreement because her abuser did not allow her name on any previous lease or utility agreement. I'm reminded that even something seemingly small can be a large victory and a symbol of freedom to a domestic violence survivor."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Guam Summary

On September 12, 2012, 3 out of 3, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Guam participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 16 Victims Served in One Day

16 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

Of those seeking shelter, 31 percent found refuge in emergency shelter and 69 percent found safety in transitional housing.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Individual Support or Advocacy	33%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	33%
Transitional Housing	33%
Children's Support or Advocacy	33%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	33%
Transportation	33%

### 13 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **Legal Assistance**

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 8 legal requests from survivors.

Child Custody	67%
Child Support	67%
Protection Orders	67%
Divorce	67%
Child Protection Issues	33%
Criminal Justice System Advocacy	33%
Housing	33%
Financial or Economic Issues	33%

"Victims of domestic violence need the support of employers. When leaving an abusive partner, they need to be able to go to court or go to the hospital for treatment, without fear of losing their jobs."

"Knowing that we're there 24 hours a day is comforting to the victims. Our staff is always ready to listen and assist them any time. Here they have found peace."

### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Hawaii Summary

On September 12, 2012, 16 out of 17, or 94%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Hawaii participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 16 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### **587 Victims Served in One Day**

176 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

411 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	
Individual Support or Advocacy	94%
Children's Support or Advocacy	81%
Group Support or Advocacy	50%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	50%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	31%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	25%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	25%
Transitional Housing	25%

### **84 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **150 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 150 individuals in communities across Hawaii attended 4 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 69 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 60 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 17% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 12 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 3. Counseling
- 4. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 63% reported not enough staff.
- 31% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 31% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).
- 6% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"Due to delay in our federal funds, we will be operating the next 2 to 3 months without funding. As a temporary solution, we are volunteering to work on the weekends without pay so we can keep our center open. I keep my fingers crossed that our funding comes in by December; otherwise, the center will have to close."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts lowa Summary

On September 12, 2012, 28 out of 28, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Iowa participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 737 Victims Served in One Day

447 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

290 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Individual Support or Advocacy	93%
Children's Support or Advocacy	79%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	71%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	54%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	43%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	43%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	18%
Job Training/Employment Assistant	14%

### **460 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **378 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 378 individuals in communities across lowa attended 20 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 175 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 150 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 87% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 152 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 39% reported not enough staff.
  - 39% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.
- 25% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 21% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

"We helped a woman file for her divorce pro se by helping her organize and label her evidence and documentation. She felt so empowered when the court clerk told her she had never seen anyone so well-prepared. This was especially wonderful because she didn't think she could make it on her own without her abuser."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Idaho Summary

On September 12, 2012, 27 out of 27, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Idaho participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### **688 Victims Served in One Day**

189 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

499 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	
Individual Support or Advocacy	70%
Children's Support or Advocacy	59%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	52%
Transportation	41%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	37%
Rural Outreach	37%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults	33%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	33%

### **255 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **420 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 420 individuals in communities across Idaho attended 19 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 72 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 70 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 50% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 36 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Emergency Shelter

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 19% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 19% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 11% reported not enough staff.
  - 7% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.
  - 7% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

"Budget cuts have hit rural America hard. We have been forced to reduce our office hours and staff. It's tragic when a victim who needs help finds a closed sign or a disconnected phone line. Words cannot express the vital importance that our services are to our rural community."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Illinois Summary

On September 12, 2012, 57 out of 61, or 93%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Illinois participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 57 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 2,424 Victims Served in One Day

1,111 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

1,313 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	
Transportation	47%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	32%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	25%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	19%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	18%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	32%
Medical Services/Accompaniment	11%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	16%

### 899 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **755 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 755 individuals in communities across Illinois attended 53 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 780 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 750 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 41% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 322 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Counseling
- 5. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:



23% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.

19% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.

14% reported imited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

14% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

"To the hundreds of survivors and their children we help each year, our services are critical, and in some cases, life saving. We provide critically needed resources for those who otherwise would have nowhere to go. Although we've worked hard at keeping our doors open and counselors available, the anemic economy and our state's continuing financial crisis remain a challenge."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Indiana Summary

On September 12, 2012, 46 out of 46, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Indiana participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 2,038 Victims Served in One Day

1,105 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

933 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	
Individual Support or Advocacy	96%
Children's Support or Advocacy	80%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	72%
Transportation	59%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	57%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	57%
Group Support or Advocacy	50%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	46%

### 444 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 958 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 958 individuals in communities across Indiana attended 56 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 298 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 290 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 95% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 284 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 5. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 35% reported not enough staff.
- 20% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 20% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.
  - 13% reported imited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
  - 2% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

"On the Survey Day, a survivor and her baby celebrated independence by moving into their apartment. We are honored to be a part of that journey with her."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Kansas Summary

On September 12, 2012, 26 out of 26, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Kansas participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 862 Victims Served in One Day

393 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

469 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Individual Support or Advocacy	92%
Emergency Shelter (hotels/safe houses)	77%
Children's Support or Advocacy	88%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	62%
Transportation	73%
Rural Outreach	46%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	42%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	35%

### 285 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **Legal Assistance**

Survivors receiving services at the time of the survey were most likely to be seeking legal assistance with child custody, child support, and child protection, making these some of the most critical issues for survivors.

### 147 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 140 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 49% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 72 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 4. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 27% reported not enough staff.
- 23% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 23% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.
  - 12% reported imited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 12% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

"We bought an air mattress to make room for a woman and her child who were fleeing a very abusive man. We were concerned because we didn't think this was the best that we could do. But the woman told us that the house she came from had no furniture or even utilities. She said that the mattress was the greatest gift we could have given her."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Kentucky Summary

On September 12, 2012, 15 out of 15, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Kentucky participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 1,107 Victims Served in One Day

701 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

406 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	
Individual Support or Advocacy	93%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	100%
Transitional Housing	53%
Children's Support or Advocacy	100%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	73%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	20%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	73%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	40%

### 233 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **619 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 619 individuals in communities across Kentucky attended 21 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 84 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 80 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 82% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 69 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 53% reported not enough staff.
- 33% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.
- 20% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 13% reported imited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 13% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

"Losing more funding will make it even more difficult for us to help victims and their children. Most of them come to us with just the clothes on their backs."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Louisiana Summary

On September 12, 2012, 18 out of 18, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Louisiana participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### **627 Victims Served in One Day**

371 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

256 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	100%
Children's Support or Advocacy	83%
Group Support or Advocacy	78%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	56%
Transportation	56%
Rural Outreach	44%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	33%

### 195 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 117 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 117 individuals in communities across Louisiana attended 11 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 63 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 60 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 70% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 44 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 39% reported no beds and no money for hotel stays.
- 22% reported not enough staff.
  - 17% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 11% reported imited funding for needed programs and services.
- 11% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

"The majority of survivors that we work with live in rural areas with no public transportation, which makes it harder for them to access services. We had support services operating in those areas, but we've had to close them becuase of budget cuts."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Massachusetts Summary

On September 12, 2012, 54 out of 54, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Massachusetts participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 1,752 Victims Served in One Day

817 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

935 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	96%
Children's Support or Advocacy	63%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	57%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	50%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	46%
Group Support or Advocacy	48%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	35%
Transitional Housing	31%

### 549 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 1,020 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 1,020 individuals in communities across Massachusetts attended 28 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 443 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 400 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

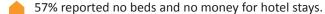
### 86% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 382 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Counseling
- 4. Attorney/Legal Representation

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:



48% reported not enough staff.

26% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

26% reported imited funding for needed programs and

11% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"The perception of survivors in the court system

is problematic since many don't understand the dynamics of domestic violence. Victims are often blamed for the violence and abusers are often not held accountable for their actions."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Maryland Summary

On September 12, 2012, 23 out of 23, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Maryland participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 1,016 Victims Served in One Day

440 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

576 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	74%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	74%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults	65%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	30%
Transitional Housing	30%
Therapy/Counseling for Children	52%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	43%
Transportation	48%

### **417 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **264 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 264 individuals in communities across Maryland attended 27 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 134 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 100 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 40% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 54 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Counseling
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Emergency Shelter
- 4. Transitional Housing
- 5. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 48% reported not enough staff.
- △ 26% reported no available beds or money for hotel stays.
- 22% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 9% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor)
- 9% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"Women often end up homeless and impoverished when they try to leave their abuser. One woman spent more than \$60,000 in legal fees when her abusive husband took their child while she was at the emergency room receiving treatment for injuries he caused."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Maine Summary

On September 12, 2012, 10 out of 10, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Maine participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 463 Victims Served in One Day

222 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

241 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	70%
Transitional Housing	90%
Children's Support or Advocacy	100%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	70%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	50%
Rural Outreach	60%
Advocacy Related to Substance Abuse	50%

### 119 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **172 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 172 individuals in communities across Maine attended 6 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 36 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 30 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 44% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 16 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

♠ 40% reported not enough staff.

30% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.

20% reported no available beds or money for hotel stays.

The relationship between healthcare practitioners and domestic violence programs is necessary in order to meet survivors' needs. In the past year domestic violence programs provided 75 trainings to health care professionals and received 166 of referrals from health care practitioners.

"Not enough staffing is a huge barrier. Our advocates are stretched to capacity, but demand for services, particularly court and legal advocacy, continue to increase."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Michigan Summary

On September 12, 2012, 43 out of 59, or 73%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Michigan participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 43 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 2,441 Victims Served in One Day

1,677 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

764 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	53%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	95%
Children's Support or Advocacy	95%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	56%
Advocacy Related to Health Care	37%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	21%
Advocacy Related to Disability Issues	16%

### **479 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **256 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 256 individuals in communities across Michigan attended 19 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 252 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 250 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 79% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 200 requests unmet. Other frequently requested unmet needs include legal representation, counseling, and legal advocacy.

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 8 legal requests from survivors.

Protection Orders	84%
Child Custody	81%
Divorce	81%
Child Protection Issues	67%
Criminal Justice System Advocacy	65%
Benefits (social security, TANF, etc.)	65%
Housing	60%
Child Support	58%

"We were giving out school supplies and noticed that the children from one family had no shoes. We gave the mother some of the donated gift cards to buy some shoes for her children. The youngest child, who was going into 2nd grade, quietly thanked us, saying, 'Thank you for the shoes. I was going to have to wear Mom's sandals to school and then she would have to be without shoes all day."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Minnesota Summary

On September 12, 2012, 33 out of 63, or 52%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Minnesota participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 33 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 1,272 Victims Served in One Day

760 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

512 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	91%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	48%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	58%
Children's Support or Advocacy	70%
Transitional Housing	33%
Transportation	58%
Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	33%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	42%

### **458 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **804 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 804 individuals in communities across Minnesota attended 12 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 447 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 400 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 92% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 411 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 33% reported not enough staff.
- 30% reported no available beds or money for hotel stays.
- 18% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 9% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"Even though we've had to make the difficult decision to cut staff hours due to recent state funding cuts, the requests for help continue to increase. We won't turn people away when we've worked so hard to increase awareness and let people know that they can turn to our program for help and support."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Missouri Summary

On September 12, 2012, 67 out of 67, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Missouri participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 2,123 Victims Served in One Day

1,451 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

672 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	99%
Children's Support or Advocacy	81%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	76%
Transportation	58%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	49%
Group Support or Advocacy	48%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	49%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	42%

### **494 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **845 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 845 individuals in communities across Missouri attended 42 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 416 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 400 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 57% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 237 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 5. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 34% reported no available beds or money for hotel stays.
- 28% reported not enough staff.
  - 24% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 9% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor)
  - 4% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"This summer we expanded our shelter from 75 to 100 beds. The Sunday before the Survey we were over capacity with 112 women and children. As our community outreach efforts increase and improve, the number of survivors seeking safe housing and help exceeds the available resources."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Northern Mariana Islands

On September 12, 2012, 1 out of 2, or 50%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Northern Mariana Islands participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 1 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### **64 Victims Served in One Day**

63 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

1 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%
Children's Support or Advocacy	100%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	100%
Transportation	100%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	100%
Group Support or Advocacy	100%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	100%
Advocacy Related to Disability Issues	100%

### 2 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **Legal Assistance**

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 8 legal requests from survivors.

Child Custody	100%
Child Support	100%
Protection Orders	100%
Divorce	100%
Child Protection Issues	100%
Criminal Justice System Advocacy	100%
Housing	100%
Financial or Economic Issues	100%

"Please don't forget about the territories. Our need for funding can be greater than our sister states."

"We need adequate funding to support survivors."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Mississippi Summary

On September 12, 2012, 9 out of 13, or 69%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Mississippi participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 9 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 288 Victims Served in One Day

227 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

61 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	89%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	56%
Group Support or Advocacy	56%
Transportation	67%
Children's Support or Advocacy	100%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	11%

### 121 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 112 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 112 individuals in communities across Mississippi attended 7 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### **6 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day**

Victims made more than 5 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 83% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 5 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 44% reported not enough staff.
- 22% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).
- 11% reported limited funding for needed programs and services.
- 11% reported no available beds or money for hotel stays.
  - 11% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"Helping a domestic violence victim move from violence to safety is a complex process because of all the barriers. Affordable housing is almost non-existent and public transportation is unrealiable. Childcare is expensive and the community resources that are needed are extremely limited in today's harsh economic reality."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Montana Summary

On September 12, 2012, 17 out of 24, or 71%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Montana participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 17 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 342 Victims Served in One Day

234 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

108 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	88%
Children's Support or Advocacy	76%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels of safe houses)	71%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	47%
Transitional Housing	35%
Transportation	35%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	35%

### 100 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **167 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 167 individuals in communities across Montana attended 4 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### **85 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day**

Victims made more than 80 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

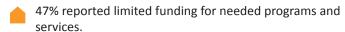
### 45% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 38 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Emergency Shelter
- 3. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:



18% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

12% reported not enough staff.

6% reported not enough specialized services (e.g., drug and alcohol counselor).

6% reported no available beds or money for hotel stays.

"We helped a woman and her children escape a very abusive marriage. They were so controlled and isolated, the children never attended school and the mother was never allowed to leave the house."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts North Carolina Summary

On September 12, 2012, 50 out of 91, or 55%, of identified local domestic violence programs in North Carolina participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 50 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 1,506 Victims Served in One Day

593 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

913 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	96%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	86%
Children's Support or Advocacy	82%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	68%
Bilingual Advocacy (services by bilingual advocate)	40%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	30%
Support/Advocacy to Elder Victims of Abuse	24%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	16%

### **494 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **709 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 709 individuals in communities across the North Carolina attended 37 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 138 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 130 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 62% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 85 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

26% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

20% reported not staff.

14% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.

12% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

8% reported not enough specialized services.

"A survivor who moved into shelter yesterday said that this was the first night she was able to sleep for months because she felt safe."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts North Dakota Summary

On September 12, 2012, 21 out of 21, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in North Dakota participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 231 Victims Served in One Day

112 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

119 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	71%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	48%
Transitional Housing	10%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	5%
Children's Support or Advocacy	57%
Transportation	48%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	14%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	24%

### 89 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 199 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 199 individuals in communities across the North Dakota attended 10 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 15 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 15 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 80% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 12 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Emergency Shelter

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

29% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.

19% reported not enough staff.

10% reported not enough specialized services.

10% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

"Obtaining legal services in rural North Dakota is almost impossible. There are few attorneys in our area who practice family law and those who do require a retainer that victims cannot afford."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Nebraska Summary

On September 12, 2012, 22 out of 22, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Nebraska participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 541 Victims Served in One Day

244 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

297 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	82%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	64%
Children's Support or Advocacy	73%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	14%
Rural Outreach	36%
Transportation	45%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	36%
Medical Services/Accompaniment	5%

### 311 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 899 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 899 individuals in communities across the Nebraska attended 9 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 178 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 170 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 36% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 64 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 23% reported not enough staff.
- 23% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 18% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 9% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 5% reported not enough specialized services.

"The verdict came today for a sexual assault victim that I have been supporting: not guilty. She was devastated. We came up with a safe plan for her and her child and talked about more counseling sessions. She said that knowing that we were open 24 hours and that she can call anytime was a great comfort."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts New Hampshire Summary

On September 12, 2012, 13 out of 13, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in New Hampshire participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 261 Victims Served in One Day

135 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

126 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	92%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	85%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	38%
Advocacy Related to Substance Abuse	15%
Support/Advocacy to Victims of Trafficking	8%
Support/Advocacy to Elder Victims of Abuse	15%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	8%
Children's Support or Advocacy	85%

### **43 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **343 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 343 individuals in communities across the New Hampshire attended 11 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 17 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 17 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 76% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 13 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 5 legal requests from survivors.

Protection orders	100%
Child custody	92%
Child protection issues	77%
Divorce	77%
Child support	62%

"A woman needed to obtain a restraining order, but she lives more than 30 miles from the court. Unfortunately, we couldn't provide transportation for her because our office in her area has since closed due to funding cuts, and we didn't have another advocate who could travel an additional 100 miles to take her to court."



### Domestic Violence Counts New Jersey Summary

On September 12, 2012, 21 out of 25, or 84%, of identified local domestic violence programs in New Jersey participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 21 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 1,102 Victims Served in One Day

490 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

612 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Advocacy Related to Health Care	29%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	86%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	86%
Individual Support or Advocacy	95%
Transitional Housing	57%
Advocacy Related to Disability Issues	10%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	62%
Therapy/Counseling for Children	43%

### **431 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 93 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 93 individuals in communities across the New Jersey attended 7 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 96 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 90 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 69% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 66 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Emergency Shelter
- 3. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 4. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 38% reported not enough staff.
- 19% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 19% reported not enough specialized services.
- 19% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 14% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

"Law enforcement trainings need to be more than just 4 hours; it needs to be comprehensive and include the dynamics of domestic violence as well as all the resources that are available to victims. In my experiences, law enforcement who understands the barriers victims face are more likely to be positive and helpful."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts New Mexico Summary

On September 12, 2012, 14 out of 29, or 48%, of identified local domestic violence programs in New Mexico participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 14 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### **618 Victims Served in One Day**

378 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

240 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Legal Representation by an Attorney	21%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults	43%
Therapy/Counseling for Children	29%
Job Training/Employment Assistant	7%
Transitional Housing	29%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	14%
Advocacy to Elder Victims of Abuse	7%
Rural Outreach	21%

### 176 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 90 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 90 individuals in communities across the New Mexico attended 5 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 21 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 20 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 71% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 15 requests unmet.

For many survivors, the ability to hire an attorney to help with legal matters is critical. Unfortunately, lack of funds, few pro bono attorneys, and programs without legal attorneys on staff means that many victims face their abusers in court alone.

Below are the top 5 legal requests from survivors.

Child custody	93%
Protection orders	79%
Child support	71%
Divorce	64%
Housing	57%

The relationship between healthcare practitioners and domestic violence programs is necessary in order to meet survivors' needs. In the past year domestic violence programs provided 38 trainings to health care professionals and received 125 of referrals from health care practitioners.

"Inadequate staff means that we are often unable to provide shelter for survivors. We need more resources: legal assistance, jobs, and affordable housing."



### 112 Domestic Violence Counts Nevada Summary

On September 12, 2012, 13 out of 15, or 87%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Nevada participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 13 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### **474 Victims Served in One Day**

293 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

181 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	92%
Children's Support or Advocacy	92%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	69%
Transitional Housing	54%
Transportation	54%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	46%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	38%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	38%

### **204 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **500 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 500 individuals in communities across the Nevada attended 3 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 23 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 20 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 87% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 20 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

54% reported not enough staff.

31% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.

△ 23% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

15% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

8% reported not enough specialized services.

"Domestic violence seems to be increasing and not decreasing. Our county has only two domestic violence programs, and our shelter is consistently full. More funding will expand our life-saving services and we can help more survivors of domestic violence."



# Domestic Violence Counts New York Summary

On September 12, 2012, 48 out of 92, or 52%, of identified local domestic violence programs in New York participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 48 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

# 3,552 Victims Served in One Day

1,713 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

1,839 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	94%
Children's Support or Advocacy	77%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	73%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	69%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	60%
Group Support or Advocacy	56%
Transportation	54%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	52%

# 1,078 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# **377 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 377 individuals in communities across the New York attended 32 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 596 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 550 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 42% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 251 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 35% reported not enough staff.
- 27% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 21% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 17% reported not enough specialized services.
  - 15% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"For the first time in decades, there are no housing subsidies to help families transition into permanent housing. Domestic violence victims have no affordable housing options, and nowhere to go. Survivors either return to their batterers or end up homeless."



# Domestic Violence Counts Ohio Summary

On September 12, 2012, 70 out of 70, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Ohio participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

# 2,148 Victims Served in One Day

962 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

1,186 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	90%
Children's Support or Advocacy	79%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	73%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	63%
Group Support or Advocacy	29%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	29%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	20%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	17%

# **872 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# 868 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 868 individuals in communities across the Ohio attended 38 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 102 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 100 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 69% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 70 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 4. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 20% reported not enough staff.
- 20% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 16% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 6% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"One of our shelter residents found herself laughing with the other residents and told us that it had been months since she had laughed. It was the first time in years she felt she could speak her mind without fear. She thanked us for making her feel safe and important."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Oklahoma Summary

On September 12, 2012, 22 out of 34, or 65%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Oklahoma participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 22 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

# 754 Victims Served in One Day

425 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

329 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	91%
Children's Support or Advocacy	91%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	86%
Transportation	50%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	45%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	45%
Rural Outreach	41%
Transitional Housing	36%

### 230 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# **257 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 257 individuals in communities across the Oklahoma attended 20 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 140 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 100 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 26% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 37 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Counseling
- 4. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 45% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 36% reported not enough staff.
- 18% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 9% reported not enough specialized services.
  - 5% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"We save the lives of women and children every single day. Being unable to help them because of inadequate funding is an injustice to those whose lives we strive to protect."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Oregon Summary

On September 12, 2012, 35 out of 47, or 74%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Oregon participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 35 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

# 1,176 Victims Served in One Day

605 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads aat night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

571 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Individual Support or Advocacy	97%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	83%
Children's Support or Advocacy	80%
Transitional Housing	37%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	17%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	51%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	17%
Transportation	54%

### **491 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

#### **251 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 251 individuals in communities across the Oregon attended 11 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 279 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 250 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 88% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 246 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 34% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 34% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 131% reported not enough staff.
- 14% reported not enough specialized services.
  - 9% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"We received a letter from an survivor that said:
'Thank you for your diligence, persistence and
determination to help us. You provided us with a peace
beyond measure and we will FOREVER be appreciative.
With humility and gratitude, we thank you.'"



# Domestic Violence Counts Pennsylvania Summary

On September 12, 2012, 60 out of 60, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Pennsylvania participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

# 2,308 Victims Served in One Day

1,157 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

1,151 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	95%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	73%
Children's Support or Advocacy	85%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	28%
Transitional Housing	47%
Support/Advocacy to Elder Victims of Abuse	20%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	28%
Advocacy Related to Health Care	20%

#### 915 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 1,078 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 1,078 individuals in communities across the Pennsylvania attended 67 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 933 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 900 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 90% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 839 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 5. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 37% reported not enough staff.
- 32% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 25% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 13% reported not enough specialized services.
  - 10% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"A woman walked 15 miles at 4:30 a.m. to our shelter because that was the only way she could escape. After a while, she asked for her protection order to be dropped and said that the abuse was her fault because she provoked him. She broke down and admitted that he made threats on her life if she didn't rescind the order."



# Domestic Violence Counts Puerto Rico Summary

On September 12, 2012, 20 out of 21, or 95%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Puerto Rico participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 20 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

#### 324 Victims Served in One Day

184 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

140 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	95%
Children's Support or Advocacy	50%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults	45%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	40%
Transportation	35%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	30%
Transitional Housing	25%
Childcare/Daycare	20%

# 121 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# **67 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 67 individuals in communities across the Puerto Rico attended 8 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 50 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 50 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 74% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 37 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 5. Attorney/Legal Representation

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

a 35% reported not enough staff.

10% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.

10% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

5% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

5% reported not enough specialized services.

"A mother and her two children came in today. They said it was the first time they felt safe."



# El Censo Nacional de Servicios de Violencia Doméstica Resumen Puerto Rico

El 12 de septiembre de 2012, 20 de los 21 programas de violencia doméstica que fueron identificados en Puerto Rico (lo que es 95%) participaron en el Censo Nacional de Servicios de Violencia Doméstica de 2012. Las siguientes cifras representan la información reportada por los 20 programas participantes acerca de los servicios proporcionados durante el período de estudio de 24 horas.

#### 324 Víctimas Atendidas en Un Solo Día

184 víctimas de violencia doméstica encontraron refugio en los albergues de emergencia o viviendas transitorias provistas por los programas locales de violencia doméstica. Además de un lugar seguro para acostarse por la noche, se les proporcionaron una variedad de servicios integrales a los residentes del refugio, algunas de las cuales se enumeran en la siguiente tabla.

140 niños y adultos recibieron servicios no residenciales, incluyendo consejería individual, intercesión legal y grupos de apoyo para niños.

Este gráfico expone el porcentaje de los programas que proveyeron los siguientes servicios en el Día del Censo:

Servicios que fueron proveídos por programas locales:	Sept. 12
Apoyo (legal o emocional) para Adultos	95%
Apoyo (legal o emocional) para Niños	50%
Terapia para Adultos	45%
Albergue de Emergencia (incluido los hoteles y casas de refugios)	40%
Transportación	35%
Servicios Legales/Acompañamiento	30%
Vivienda Transitoria	25%
Cuidado de los Niños/ Guardería	20%

#### 121 Llamadas Contestadas por las Líneas de Emergencias

Las líneas de emergencias de violencia doméstica son salvaguardas de vida para víctimas en peligro, ofreciéndoles apoyo, información, planificación de seguridad y recursos.

#### **67 Fueron Educados sobre Prevención**

En el día del estudio, 67 personas en comunidades a través de Puerto Rico. asistieron a 8 sesiones de capacitación ofrecidas por los programas locales de violencia doméstica, obteniendo información muy necesaria sobre la prevención de la violencia doméstica y la intervención temprana.

#### 50 Solicitudes no Atendidas de Servicios en un Solo Día

Víctimas hicieron 50 solicitudes de servicios, como albergues de emergencia, vivienda, transporte, cuidado de niños, y la representación legal, que los programas no se podían proporcionar porque no tenían los recursos para ofrecer estos servicios.

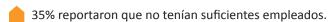
# 74% de las Solicitudes no Atendidas Fueron para Viviendas

Refugios de emergencia y viviendas de transición siguen siendo las necesidades más urgentes que no fueron atendidas con 37 solicitudes no satisfechas.

De las solicitudes no atendidas, los siguientes servicios se presentan como los más solicitados (de más o menos solicitado):

- 1. Refugios de Emergencia
- 2. Terapia
- 3. Servicios Legales/Acompañamiento a Corte/Apoyo
- 4. Vivienda Transitoria
- 5. Abogados/Representación Legal

Había muchas razones que los programas no podían proporcionar los servicios:



10% reportaron que tenían insuficientes fondos para los programas y servicios necesitados.

10% reportaron que tenían fondos limitados para traductores, empleados bilingües, o equipo accesible

5% reportaron que no tenían camas disponibles o fondos para hoteles.

5% reportaron que no tenían suficientes servicios especializados.

"Una madre y sus dos hijos llegaron hoy. Me dijeron que era la primera vez que ellos se sentían seguros."



# Domestic Violence Counts Rhode Island Summary

On September 12, 2012, 6 out of 6, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Rhode Island participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

### 262 Victims Served in One Day

115 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

147 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	100%
Transitional Housing	67%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	67%
Group Support or Advocacy	33%
Children's Support or Advocacy	100%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults	17%
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%
Advocacy Related to Substance Abuse	17%

#### 108 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# **124 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 124 individuals in communities across the Rhode Island attended 7 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 58 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 50 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 48% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 28 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 50% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 50% limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- a 33% reported not enough staff.
- 33% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 17% reported not enough specialized services.

"Our entire staff worked together to help a survivor who had been severely assaulted. We advocated on her behalf by working with the courts and police, helped her create a safety plan for herself and her children, and arranged a safe location for her. The effects of domestic violence can be devastating for families."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts South Carolina Summary

On September 12, 2012, 9 out of 12, or 75%, of identified local domestic violence programs in South Carolina participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 9 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

#### 445 Victims Served in One Day

272 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

173 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

	Sept.
Services Provided by Local Programs:	12
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	89%
Individual Support or Advocacy	89%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	44%
Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	22%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	22%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	44%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	33%
Advocacy Related to Substance Abuse	33%
Transitional Housing	33%

#### 112 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# **60 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 60 individuals in communities across the South Carolina attended 7 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 30 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 30 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 73% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 22 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 33% reported not enough staff.
- 33% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- △ 22% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
  - 22% reported not enough specialized services.

"All survivors deserve advocacy assistance regardless of gender, sexual orientation or immigration status."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts South Dakota Summary

On September 12, 2012, 15 out of 40, or 38%, of identified local domestic violence programs in South Dakota participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 15 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

#### 409 Victims Served in One Day

195 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

214 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%
Children's Support or Advocacy	80%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	73%
Transportation	60%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	40%
Rural Outreach	33%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	27%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	27%

### 83 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

#### **212 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 212 individuals in communities across the South Dakota attended 6 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 15 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 15 requests for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 87% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 13 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Emergency Shelter
- 3. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 20% reported not enough staff.
- 20% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 7% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 7% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"The legal system can be intimidating and confusing for victims. In addition to not having enough attorneys to represent survivors, judges often don't understand the dynamics of domestic violence. Many victims end up not following through with charges."



# Domestic Violence Counts Tennessee Summary

On September 12, 2012, 32 out of 32, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Tennessee participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

# 768 Victims Served in One Day

460 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

308 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Individual Support or Advocacy	97%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	78%
Children's Support or Advocacy	81%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	53%
Transportation	63%
Rural Outreach	47%
Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	41%
Transitional Housing	34%

#### 295 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### 731 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 731 individuals in communities across the Tennessee attended 21 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 101 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 100 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 66% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 67 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Transitional Housing
- 3. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 4. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 25% reported not enough staff.
- 22% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 22% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
  - 19% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 6% reported not enough specialized services.

"Many survivors don't have the funds for legal representation and legal aid can't meet the high demand. Survivors often end up facing their abusers in court alone and court rulings are often not in their favor."



# Domestic Violence Counts Texas Summary

On September 12, 2012, 89 out of 98, or 91%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Texas participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 89 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

#### 5,857 Victims Served in One Day

3,533 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

2,324 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Children's Support or Advocacy	82%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	79%
Transportation	58%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	56%
Job Training/Employment Assistant	30%
Translation/Interpretation Services (by 3rd party)	21%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	11%
Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	36%

### 2,117 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

#### 2,826 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 2,826 individuals in communities across the Texas attended 123 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 998 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made almost 1,000 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 23% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 226 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Attorney/Legal Representation

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

26% reported not enough staff.

26% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

25% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.

16% reported not enough specialized services.

6% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"A woman I was working with today said, 'My friend said you could help me and make me feel safe. She was right. I don't feel alone anymore."



# Domestic Violence Counts Utah Summary

On September 12, 2012, 16 out of 17, or 94%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Utah participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 16 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

# 779 Victims Served in One Day

597 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

182 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Individual Support or Advocacy	81%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	88%
Transitional Housing	50%
Children's Support or Advocacy	88%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	25%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	25%
Rural Outreach	6%
Advocacy Related to Substance Abuse	19%

### 206 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

#### **381 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 381 individuals in communities across the Utah attended 16 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 71 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 70 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 96% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 68 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Transitional Housing
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Emergency Shelter
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- ▲ 19% reported not enough staff.
- 13% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 13% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 6% reported not enough specialized services.

"The difference that VAWA has made is impossible to express. We have education programs that reach 5,000 students each year, we provide services in Spanish and English, we have a transitional housing program, and we have very effective collaborations between our programs and community organizations."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Virginia Summary

On September 12, 2012, 50 out of 50, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Virginia participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

# 1,374 Victims Served in One Day

723 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

651 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Children's Support or Advocacy	88%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	54%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	12%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	36%
Support/Advocacy to Victims of Trafficking	6%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	22%
Advocacy with the Military	4%
Job Training/Employment Assistant	34%

#### 516 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

### **639 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 639 individuals in communities across Virginia attended 30 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 146 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 140 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 71% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 104 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 30% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 26% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 24% reported not enough staff.
- 8% reported not enough specialized services.
- 8% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"We need more emergency shelters. With the Department of Housing and Urban Development's move to provide less funding for shelter and more funding for rapid re-housing, domestic violence victims are suffering. There is not enough funding to rapidly re-house all victims of domestic violence and victims will have nowhere safe to go."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Virgin Islands Summary

On September 12, 2012, 2 out of 2, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in the Virgin Islands participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

# 75 Victims Served in One Day

13 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

62 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	100%
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%
Children's Support or Advocacy	100%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	100%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	100%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	100%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	100%
Transportation	100%

# 10 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# **45 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 45 individuals in communities across the Virgin Islands attended 2 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 12 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 12 requests for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 100% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 12 requests unmet. Other frequently requested unmet needs include legal representation, counseling, and legal advocacy.

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

50% reported not enough staff.

50% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

50% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.

50% reported not enough specialized services.

50% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"We did an outreach event on engaging men. The male participants took materials home and work to share about the effects of domestic violence. One participant said he was going to apologize to his ex-wife and children for his wrong doing and wanted to ensure that his children were not inflicting violence on his grandchildren."



# Domestic Violence Counts Vermont Summary

On September 12, 2012, 12 out of 12, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Vermont participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

# 254 Victims Served in One Day

114 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

140 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 12
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	67%
Transitional Housing	58%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	67%
Children's Support or Advocacy	67%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	42%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	50%
Transportation	42%
Individual Support or Advocacy	100%

# **85 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# **54 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 54 individuals in communities across Vermont attended 6 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 24 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 20 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 71% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 17 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

and 33% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

33% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.

25% reported not enough staff.

"An older survivor whom we've been working with for a while said that she doesn't smile often, but she smiles when she comes here."



# Domestic Violence Counts Washington Summary

On September 12, 2012, 55 out of 64, or 86%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Washington participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 55 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

# 1,825 Victims Served in One Day

1,143 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

682 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

	Sept.
Services Provided by Local Programs:	12
Individual Support or Advocacy	91%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	69%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	49%
Children's Support or Advocacy	73%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	42%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	51%
Bilingual Advocacy (by bilingual advocate)	36%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	27%

### **561 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources.

# **312 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings**

On the survey day, 312 individuals in communities across Washington attended 18 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 377 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 350 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 90% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 339 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Transitional Housing
- 4. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

40% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

35% reported not enough staff.

24% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.

15% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

5% reported not enough specialized services.

"Cuts to criminal and civil court advocates have put more of a burden on our program. With only one fulltime legal advocate, providing follow-through or longterm advocacy is harder since most family law cases are time-consuming and lengthy."



# Domestic Violence Counts Wisconsin Summary

On September 12, 2012, 58 out of 72, or 81%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Wisconsin participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 58 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

#### 1,506 Victims Served in One Day

796 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

710 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Individual Support or Advocacy	91%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	62%
Transitional Housing	34%
Children's Support or Advocacy	72%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	10%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	48%
Support/Advocacy to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	17%
Support/Advocacy to Elder Victims of Abuse	31%

### **701 Hotline Calls Answered**

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#### 837 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 837 individuals in communities across Wisconsin attended 31 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 155 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made more than 150 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 74% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 114 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Emergency Shelter
- 3. Counseling
- 4. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 26% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 24% reported not enough staff.
- 17% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 10% limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 7% reported not enough specialized services.

"In the middle of an intake assessment, the survivor abruptly stopped. With tears welling up in her eyes, she said 'You just don't know what being here with you and these wonderful people helping me means to me. Thank you."



# Domestic Violence Counts West Virginia Summary

On September 12, 2012, 14 out of 14, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in West Virginia participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

# 324 Victims Served in One Day

143 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

181 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Individual Support or Advocacy	93%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	93%
Children's Support or Advocacy	86%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	71%
Rural Outreach	57%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	21%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	43%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	43%

# 179 Hotline Calls Answered

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#### 317 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 317 individuals in communities across West Virginia attended 17 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# 12 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 12 requests for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

#### 75% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 9 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Emergency Shelter
- 2. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 3. Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- 4. Counseling

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 29% reported not enough staff.
  - 29% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
  - 14% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
  - 7% limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"We took in a woman who had been beaten so badly that her face was unrecognizable. The abuser had cut off her hair with a knife, burned her face and body with cigarettes, and sexually assaulted her for months before she could escape."



# 112 Domestic Violence Counts Wyoming Summary

On September 12, 2012, 23 out of 23, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Wyoming participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

# 274 Victims Served in One Day

76 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs. In addition to a safe place to lay their heads at night, shelter residents were provided with a variety of comprehensive services, some of which are listed in the chart below.

198 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept.
Individual Support or Advocacy	78%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	52%
Children's Support or Advocacy	43%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	43%
Group Support or Advocacy	35%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	30%
Transportation	26%
Advocacy Related to Mental Health	26%

#### **128 Hotline Calls Answered**

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# 23 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 23 individuals in communities across Wyoming attended 3 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

# **67 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day**

Victims made more than 60 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.

### 61% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing

Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 41 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were the most requested:

- 1. Attorney/Legal Representation
- 2. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 26% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 9% reported not enough staff.
- 4% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 4% reported not enough specialized services.
  - 4% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"We need to teach our children that it's not okay to hurt someone else. Help us stop the abuse."