



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT ARIZONA SUMMARY

On September 10, 2020, 29 out of 37 (78%) identified domestic violence programs in Arizona participated in a national count of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). Services provided by domestic violence programs looked different in 2020, as frontline advocates navigated unforeseen challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic and other crises. The following figures represent the information shared by the participating programs about the services they provided during the 24-hour survey period.

1,863 Victims Served in One Day

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

1,150 adult and child victims received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, children’s support groups, and more.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/10/20	% of Programs Providing Services
Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy	46%
Emergency Shelter	46%
Hotel/Motel Stay	19%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	5%

256 Hotline Contacts Received

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources via phone, chat, text, and/or email. During the 24-hour survey period, hotline staff in Arizona received 256 contacts, averaging 11 contacts per hour.

313 Individuals Attended Prevention and Educational Trainings

Community education is essential to raising awareness about domestic violence and the resources that are available to victims, while promoting prevention strategies. On the survey day, local domestic violence programs educated 313 individuals in communities across Arizona. Advocates provided 20 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

124 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 124 requests for services—including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, legal representation, and more—that could not be provided because programs lacked the resources to meet victims’ needs. Approximately 94 percent of these unmet requests were for housing or emergency shelter.

Greatly increased funding would enable domestic violence programs to provide comprehensive services to all survivors seeking help and to prevent violence in their communities.

❖ “Many of our survivors have been triggered by the isolation of the pandemic, which they felt was reminiscent of what they experienced within abusive relationships. And many victims still in abusive relationships felt more trapped, with limited options for leaving.”