



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT

IDAHO SUMMARY



On September 10, 2020, 20 out of 22 (**91%**) identified domestic violence programs in Idaho 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.

670 Victims Served in One Day

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

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

61 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 61 individuals in communities across Idaho. Advocates provided 5 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

77 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 77 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.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/10/20	% of Programs Providing Services
Emergency Shelter	50%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults (by a licensed practitioner)	36%
Transitional or Other Housing	36%
Bilingual Advocacy	32%

184 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 Idaho received 184 contacts, averaging 8 contacts per hour.

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

"All of the survivors we work with are high-risk, but survivors who belong to racial and ethnic minority groups battle systemic oppressive policies that create significant challenges in accessing services. We need improved laws to better support these vulnerable populations."