



# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT NEW HAMPSHIRE SUMMARY

On September 10, 2020, 13 out of 13 (100%) identified domestic violence programs in New Hampshire 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.

### 216 Victims Served in One Day

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

127 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
Emergency Shelter	69%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	69%
Support/Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	46%
Financial Literacy/Budgeting	31%

### 119 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 New Hampshire received 119 contacts, averaging 5 contacts per hour.

### 121 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 121 individuals in communities across New Hampshire. Advocates provided 5 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

### 14 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 14 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 43 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.

❖ “One older survivor had been with their abusive partner for decades, and we were able to help her obtain a restraining order and safe housing that would accommodate her disabilities. She now says: ‘I am living a new life and loving every moment. I now feel safe.’”