



# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT

## MICHIGAN SUMMARY

On September 9, 2021, **49** out of **55 (89%)** identified domestic violence programs in Michigan participated in a national count of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). In 2021, frontline advocates continued to navigate 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.

### 2,824 Victims Served in One Day

**1,590** adult and child victims of domestic violence found refuge in emergency shelters, transitional housing, hotels, motels, or other housing provided by local domestic violence programs.

**1,234** non-residential adult and child victims received supportive services including counseling, legal advocacy, and support groups.

### 512 Hotline Contacts Received

Domestic violence hotlines are lifelines for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources via phone, chat, text, and email. Hotline staff received **512** contacts, averaging more than **21** contacts per hour.

### 218 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **218** requests for services—including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, legal representation, and other support needs—that programs could not provide because they lacked the resources. Approximately **81%** of these unmet requests were for housing and emergency shelter.

There is a tremendous need for increased funding to ensure programs can provide comprehensive services to all survivors seeking help while working toward preventing violence in their communities.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/9/21	% of Programs Providing Services
Emergency Shelter	90%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	63%
Children's Support or Advocacy	61%
Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy	53%
Transitional or Other Housing (run by DV program)	51%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults (by a licensed practitioner)	49%

✘ **“A survivor in our shelter was worried that her child wouldn’t have any uniforms for school. We were able to provide him with what he needed, and his mother cried. She told us that she was thinking about returning to her abuser if her child didn’t have the right supplies, but now she could put that thought to rest and focus on being safe and moving forward.”**

Learn more about domestic violence in Michigan: [MCEDSV.org](https://www.mceds.org)