On September 9, 2021, 41 out of 64 (64%) identified domestic violence programs in Washington 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.

1,998 Victims Served in One Day
1,264 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.

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

449 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 449 contacts, averaging nearly 19 contacts per hour.

373 Unmet Requests for Services
Victims made 373 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 76% 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.

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Table 1: Services Provided on 9/9/21 | % of Programs Providing Services
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Emergency Shelter | 73%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord | 61%
Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy | 56%
Transitional or Other Housing (run by DV program) | 56%
Support/Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare | 44%
Hotel/Motel Stay | 29%

“We worked with a survivor, helping her secure shelter, a protection order, rent payments, counseling, and more. She finally found an apartment, and she is now working and looking into applying for college. Having stable housing was the key factor that allowed her the stability to move forward and live free from abuse.”