



# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT

## SOUTH DAKOTA SUMMARY

On September 7, 2022, **17** out of **30 (57%)** identified domestic violence programs in South Dakota participated in a national count of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). The following figures represent the information shared by the participating programs about the services they provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 246 Victims Served

**180** 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.

**66** adult and child victims received non-residential supportive services related to legal needs, housing advocacy, transportation, mental health, public benefits, and more.

### 108 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 **108** contacts, averaging nearly **5** contacts per hour.

### 7 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **7** requests for services that programs could not provide because they did not have the resources. Approximately **14%** of these unmet requests were for emergency shelter, hotels, motels, and other housing.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/7/22	% of Programs Providing Services
Support/Advocacy Related to Mental Health	47%
Transportation	35%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	29%
Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy	24%
Support/Advocacy Related to Substance Abuse	24%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults	24%
Transitional or Other Housing (run by DV program)	24%
Culturally Specific Services to Native American Survivors	12%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	0%

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✘ **“Survivors who have struggled with substance use face discrimination in their search for low-income/safe housing. It is heartbreaking at times, knowing that many of these addictions were introduced to them by their abuser, or used as a tool to cope with the abuse.”**