



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT

VIRGINIA SUMMARY

On September 7, 2022, **54** out of **71 (76%)** identified domestic violence programs in Virginia 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.

1,560 Victims Served

1,013 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.

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

581 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 **581** contacts, averaging more than **24** contacts per hour.

265 People Educated

On the survey day, local domestic violence programs provided **18** public training sessions (educational sessions provided to the public) to **265** people, addressing topics like domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

189 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **189** requests for services that programs could not provide because they did not have the resources. Approximately **33%** 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 |
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| Emergency Shelter | 72% |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Mental Health | 61% |
| Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy | 59% |
| Children's Support or Advocacy | 54% |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord | 46% |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare | 46% |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Health Care or Health Care Systems | 31% |

✘ **“Please help us. Inflation and ongoing health concerns are wreaking havoc on our programs. Funding is being cut or supplemented with short-term funds, while survivors’ needs are increasing and resources are dwindling. We provide critical services and the federal and state governments need to assist us.”**

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