About the National Network to End Domestic Violence

Founded in 1990, the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) is a membership organization representing the 56 state and U.S. territorial coalitions against domestic violence, who in turn represent almost 2,000 local domestic violence programs. We offer a range of programs and initiatives to address the complex causes and far-reaching consequences of domestic violence, provide critical thought leadership on the intersecting needs of survivors, and work in partnership with our member coalitions, other survivor-serving organizations, government agencies, and corporate and foundation partners to make meaningful and lasting change.

Mission

NNEDV, a social change organization, is dedicated to creating a social, political, and economic environment in which violence against women no longer exists.

Vision

*Making Domestic Violence a National Priority:* NNEDV is the leading voice for domestic violence victims and their advocates. As a membership and advocacy organization of state and territorial domestic violence coalitions, allied organizations and supportive individuals, NNEDV works closely with its members to understand the ongoing and emerging needs of domestic violence victims and advocacy programs. Then NNEDV makes sure those needs are heard and understood by policymakers at the national level.

*Changing the Way Society Responds to Domestic Violence:* NNEDV offers a range of programs and initiatives to address the complex causes and far-reaching consequences of domestic violence. Through cross-sector collaborations and corporate partnerships, NNEDV offers support to victims of domestic violence who are escaping abusive partners—and empower survivors to build new lives.

*Strengthening Domestic Violence Advocacy at Every Level:* NNEDV further supports efforts to end domestic violence by providing state and territorial coalitions with critical information and resources. From training and technical assistance to innovative programs and strategic funding, NNEDV brings much-needed resources to local communities. At NNEDV’s national and regional meetings, members share information and ideas with NNEDV staff and with each other, working together to develop comprehensive solutions.

NNEDV Programs and Projects

NNEDV addresses the causes and consequences of domestic violence while advocating for solutions with the following innovative programs and projects:
Capacity Technical Assistance: We provide comprehensive, specialized consultation, assistance, and training to coalitions, Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) state administrators, and local programs to best address survivors’ needs. (NNEDV.org/Coalitions)

Domestic Violence Counts: Since 2006, we’ve conducted an annual, unduplicated count of adults and children seeking services from U.S. domestic violence programs during a single 24-hour period. The Domestic Violence Counts Report informs local and national policy decisions by providing a snapshot of the services people received, requested, and were turned away from due to lack of resources. (NNEDV.org/DVCounts)

Economic Justice: We strengthen advocates’ financial expertise to help domestic violence survivors move from short-term safety to long-term security, and to an economically sustainable, independent life. Through our Independence Project, we provide credit-building micro-loans to survivors of financial abuse. (NNEDV.org/EJ)

Housing: Domestic violence is a leading cause of homelessness among women and children. We support transitional housing programs across the country, provide training and program development, and advocate for improved housing-related policies. We also work with national and federal agency partners to increase awareness, services, and accessibility for survivors. (NNEDV.org/Housing)

Positively Safe: We address the intersection of domestic violence and HIV/AIDS by developing and providing toolkits, training, and technical assistance to national, state, and local organizations working to address the unique challenges and barriers faced by domestic violence survivors living with, and at risk for, HIV/AIDS. (NNEDV.org/PositivelySafe)

Public Policy: We put domestic violence at the forefront of the national agenda and amplify the voices of survivors, advocates, programs, and coalitions on Capitol Hill and with the Administration. We work closely with our members to understand the ongoing and emerging needs of domestic violence victims and advocacy programs while working to ensure those needs are heard and understood by policymakers at the national level. (NNEDV.org/Policy)

Safety Net: We focus on the intersection of technology, privacy, confidentiality, and innovation, as it relates to safety and abuse by advocating for policies, educating and training advocates and professionals in the justice system, and working with communities, agencies, and technology companies to respond to technology abuse, support survivors in their use of tech, and harness tech to improve services. (TechSafety.org)

WomensLaw: We provide free, individualized, and confidential legal information and support in both English and Spanish for survivors, their advocates, and their loved ones through the WomensLaw Email Hotline and state-specific, plain-language legal information and resources on WomensLaw.org. (WomensLaw.org)