



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT IOWA SUMMARY

On September 6, 2023, **21 out of 21 (100%)** identified domestic violence programs in Iowa participated in a national count of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). The following figures were shared by participating programs about the services they provided during the 24-hour survey period.

764 Victims Served

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

221 adult and child victims received non-residential supportive services related to transportation, housing advocacy, legal support, therapy, and more.

641 Hotline Contacts Received

Domestic violence hotlines are lifelines for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources via phone, chat, text, email, and more. Programs' hotlines received **641** contacts, averaging **nearly 27** contacts per hour.

60 People Educated

Programs provided **13** educational sessions and trainings to **60** members of the public, addressing topics like domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

89 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **89** requests for services that programs could not provide because they lacked sufficient resources. Approximately **91%** of these unmet requests were for emergency shelter, hotels, motels, transitional housing, and other housing.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/6/23	% of Programs Providing Services
Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy	67%
Transitional or Other Housing (run by DV program)	67%
Transportation	67%
Support/Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	57%
Emergency Shelter	52%
Support/Advocacy Related to Mental Health	52%
Children's Support or Advocacy	48%
Bilingual Advocacy	43%
Support/Advocacy for LGBTQ+ Victims of Abuse	14%

❖ **“Funding cuts make it difficult for us to serve survivors. Often, they are trapped in dangerous situations, and continuous cuts have worsened the gaps. We have reduced staff and services, meaning that victims often have no alternatives but to return to abusers or be homeless.” - Iowa advocate**

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