



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT NATIONAL SUMMARY

On September 6, 2023, **1,626** out of **1,958 (83%)** identified domestic violence programs in the United States 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, along with state, territorial, and national hotlines, about the services they provided during the 24-hour survey period.

76,975 Victims Served

44,616 adult and child victims of domestic violence found refuge in emergency shelters, transitional housing, hotels, motels, or other housing provided by local programs.

32,359 adult and child victims received non-residential supportive services related to transportation, housing advocacy, legal support, therapy, and more.

and resources via phone, chat, text, email, and more. Local programs' hotlines received **20,349** contacts; state- and territory-wide hotlines received **320** contacts; the National Domestic Violence Hotline received **2,656** contacts; and NNEDV's WomensLaw Email Hotline received **23** contacts. Altogether, hotlines received nearly **973** contacts every hour of the survey day, or more than **16** contacts every minute.

| Table 1: Top Services Provided on 9/6/23 | % of Programs Providing Services |
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| Emergency Shelter | 70% |
| Transportation | 53% |
| Children's Support or Advocacy | 52% |
| Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy | 52% |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord | 52% |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Mental Health | 46% |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare | 42% |
| Therapy/Counseling for Adults | 42% |

15,555 People Educated

Programs provided **629** educational sessions and trainings to **15,555** members of the public, addressing topics like domestic violence prevention and early intervention. Community education is essential to raising awareness about domestic violence and promoting available resources.

13,335 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **13,335** requests for services that programs could not provide because they lacked sufficient resources. The majority of these unmet requests (**54%**) were for emergency shelter, hotels, motels, transitional housing, and other housing.

23,348 Hotline Contacts Received

Domestic violence hotlines are lifelines for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning,

Survivors and their children need a safe place to stay as they escape abuse and rebuild their lives. Programs need increased funding to provide shelter, housing, safety planning, and other services to all survivors seeking help, while also working toward preventing violence in their communities.

✘ **From a Michigan advocate: "The work we do saves lives, but funding cuts have severely impacted our ability to pay our staff a competitive wage for this critical work. These cuts also impact the survivors who come to us for help. We implore those in decision-making positions to seriously consider what would happen if organizations like ours did not exist."**

Read the full report:



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