



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT PUERTO RICO SUMMARY

On September 6, 2023, **17** out of **22 (77%)** identified domestic violence programs in Puerto Rico 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.

446 Victims Served

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

246 adult and child victims received non-residential supportive services related to transportation, housing advocacy, legal support, therapy, 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, email, and more. Programs' hotlines received **108** contacts, averaging **nearly 5** contacts per hour.

212 People Educated

Programs provided **10** educational sessions and trainings to **212** members of the public, addressing topics like domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

7 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **7** requests for services that programs could not provide because they lacked sufficient resources. **100%** 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	53%
Emergency Shelter	41%
Support/Advocacy Related to Mental Health	41%
Transportation	41%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	35%
Transitional or Other Housing (run by DV program)	29%
Therapy/Counseling for Children or Youth	18%

❖ **“Puerto Rico’s fiscal situation is complicated, with situations derived from the experiences of hurricanes, earthquakes, poverty, pandemic management, and economic inflation.” - Puerto Rico advocate**

❖ **“La situación de la pandemia del COVID-19 ha aumentado la violencia de género en la población de mujeres inmigrantes y la reducción de fondos ha afectado los servicios a las mismas.” - intercesor(a) de Puerto Rico**

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