



# **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT**SOUTH CAROLINA SUMMARY

On September 6, 2023, **11** out of **13 (85%)** identified domestic violence programs in South Carolina 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.

#### 365 Victims Served

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

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

## **105 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 **105** contacts, averaging **more than 4** contacts per hour.

## **58 People Educated**

Programs provided **3** educational sessions and trainings to **58** members of the public, addressing topics like domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

#### 95 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **95** requests for services that programs could not provide because they lacked sufficient resources. Approximately **68%** of these unmet requests were for emergency shelter, hotels, motels, transitional housing, and other housing.

| <b>Table 1:</b> Services Provided on 9/6/23                   | % of Programs<br>Providing<br>Services |
|---|--|
| Emergency Shelter   | 100%                                   |
| Transitional or Other Housing (run by DV program)             | 73%                                    |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/<br>Landlord              | 55%                                    |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Mental<br>Health                  | 55%                                    |
| Therapy/Counseling for Adults                                 | 55%                                    |
| Bilingual Advocacy  | 27%                                    |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services | 27%                                    |
| Support/Advocacy Related to Disability Issues                 | 18%                                    |
| Direct Cash Assistance  | 9%                                     |

**\*\*** "Most of our referrals and calls are requests for housing assistance. Although we have two housing programs, they remain full, and rental assistance is scarce. This unmet need results in survivors returning to shelters or remaining with abusers." - South Carolina advocate

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