



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT SOUTH DAKOTA SUMMARY

On September 6, 2023, **19** out of **30 (63%)** identified domestic violence programs in South Dakota 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.

256 Victims Served

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

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

89 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 **89** contacts, averaging **nearly 4** contacts per hour.

263 People Educated

Programs provided **3** educational sessions and trainings to **263** members of the public, addressing topics like domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

6 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **6** 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
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	21%
Support/Advocacy Related to Mental Health	21%
Support/Advocacy Related to Substance Use	11%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	5%
Transitional or Other Housing (run by DV program)	5%
Culturally Specific Services to Native American Survivors	0%
Support/Advocacy Related to Technology Use	0%

❖ **“We are a small, rural agency with limited resources. Until COVID-19, we had two full-time advocates, but this year’s grants made a significant cut to one of the positions. We’ve been trying to hire, but it is unsustainable without the necessary funding. We are very concerned for the safety and assistance that may not be available to victims when they need help.” - South Dakota advocate**

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