



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT ILLINOIS SUMMARY

On September 10, 2025, **54 out of 56 (96%)** identified domestic violence programs in Illinois participated in NNEDV's Domestic Violence Counts Survey: a one-day, unduplicated count of adults and children seeking domestic violence services. Participating programs shared the following figures about the services they provided during the 24-hour survey period.

3,775 Victims Served

2,165 adults and children found refuge in emergency shelters, transitional housing, hotels, motels, or other housing provided by local programs.

1,610 adults and children received non-residential supportive services like transportation, housing support, legal support, therapy, and more.

777 Hotline Contacts Received

Programs' hotlines received **777** contacts, averaging **more than 32** contacts per hour. Domestic violence hotlines are lifelines for victims, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources via phone, chat, text, email, and more.

1,798 People Educated

Programs provided **71** educational sessions and trainings to **1,798** members of the public, addressing topics like domestic violence prevention and early intervention. Community education is essential to raising awareness and promoting resources.

555 Unmet Requests for Services

Programs were unable to meet **555** requests for help because they lacked sufficient resources, funding, and/or staffing. Approximately **50%** of these unmet requests were for emergency shelter, hotels, motels, transitional housing, and other housing.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/10/25	% of Programs Providing Services
Court Accompaniment or Legal Support	81%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults	70%
Emergency Shelter	69%
Bilingual Support	57%
Transitional or Other Housing (run by DV program)	41%
Support to Teen/Young Adult Victims of Dating Abuse	35%
Support Related to Immigration	30%
Support to LGBTQ+ Victims of Abuse	28%
Support to Trafficking Victims	22%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	7%

✘ "Our shelter covers six rural counties. We are one of the few services available to survivors. Many rely on us for assistance with services that enable them to make informed decisions and assure their safety. **Without us, victims would have to drive up to 50 miles away or remain in an unsafe or dangerous environment at the mercy of their abuser.** The work we do is vital to the well-being, health, and future of our clients."
- Illinois advocate

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