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Annual

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT WYOMING SUMMARY



On September 10, 2020, 24 out of 24 (**100%**) identified domestic violence programs in Wyoming participated in a national count of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). Services provided by domestic violence programs looked different in 2020, as frontline advocates navigated unforeseen challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic and other crises. The following figures represent the information shared by the participating programs about the services they provided during the 24-hour survey period.

280 Victims Served in One Day

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

164 adult and child victims received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, children's support groups, and more.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/10/20	% of Programs Providing Services
Transitional Housing	54%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	38%
Emergency Shelter	38%
Children's Support or Advocacy	29%

108 Hotline Contacts Received

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources via phone, chat, text, and/or email. During the 24-hour survey period, hotline staff in Wyoming received 108 contacts, averaging 5 contacts per hour.

15 Individuals Attended Prevention and Educational Trainings

Community education is essential to raising awareness about domestic violence and the resources that are available to victims, while promoting prevention strategies. On the survey day, local domestic violence programs educated 15 individuals in communities across Wyoming. Advocates provided 5 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

12 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 12 requests for services—including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, legal representation, and more—that could not be provided because programs lacked the resources to meet victims' needs. Approximately 75 percent of these unmet requests were for housing or emergency shelter.

Greatly increased funding would enable domestic violence programs to provide comprehensive services to all survivors seeking help and to prevent violence in their communities.

 “Our rural organization cannot keep up with the demands created by the pandemic, and our one-year budget just dropped by \$30,000. Please start thinking about those of us on the frontier and realize that the only assistance we get is from state and federal funding.”