



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT KANSAS SUMMARY

On September 10, 2020, 22 out of 22 (100%) identified domestic violence programs in Kansas 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.

824 Victims Served in One Day

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

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

119 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 119 individuals in communities across Kansas. Advocates provided 18 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/10/20	% of Programs Providing Services
Emergency Shelter	91%
Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy	73%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	64%

64 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day

Victims made 64 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 80 percent of these unmet requests were for housing or emergency shelter.

195 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 Kansas received 195 contacts, averaging 8 contacts per hour.

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

❖ “The pandemic has drawn attention to the disparities faced by those living in poverty, People of Color, individuals with disabilities, LGBTQIA+ populations, immigrants, rural communities, and other marginalized groups. We’ve engaged in strategic planning efforts to enhance our education and outreach to survivors who have historically been underserved.”