

OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FATALITIES

JULY 1, 2016-JUNE 30, 2017



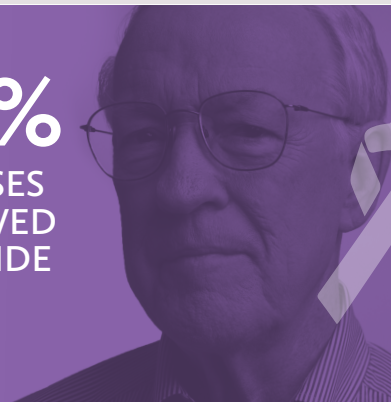
The comprehensive resource on domestic violence

800-934-9840 | www.odvn.org

In an attempt to better understand the prevalence and circumstances of domestic violence fatalities in Ohio, the Ohio Domestic Violence Network reviewed media reports identified by staff members or local member programs. Fatalities included targeted victims, perpetrators, and others at incidents involving intimate partner relationships.

32%

OF CASES INVOLVED A SUICIDE



ALL

COMPLETED HOMICIDE/SUICIDES WERE PERPETRATED BY MALES

24 OF 25 HOMICIDE/SUICIDES WERE PERPETRATED AGAINST FEMALE VICTIMS

4 ATTACKERS WERE KILLED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT



86%

OF FATAL INCIDENTS INVOLVED GUNS*



116 FATALITIES IN 84 CASES

100% OF HOMICIDE/SUICIDE CASES INVOLVED GUNS*

116

PEOPLE WERE INJURED OR KILLED BY GUNS



98 FATALITIES WERE CAUSED BY GUNS*

1

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER KILLED BY A PERPETRATOR



10%

OF CASES REQUIRED SWAT RESPONSE

23%

OF CASES INVOLVED CHILDREN AT THE SCENE



1 SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY WAS SHOT AND SAW HIS GRANDFATHER KILL HIS GRANDMOTHER

2 AMBER ALERTS ISSUED FOR CHILDREN ABDUCTED FROM MURDERED MOTHERS

1 THREE-YEAR-OLD RESCUED BY A FRIEND AS THEY FLED A MULTIPLE HOMICIDE SCENE



2 PREGNANCIES LOST TO HOMICIDES

1 INFANT SON WAS HELD HOSTAGE BUT RESCUED BY SWAT

HOMICIDES & SUICIDES

CHILDREN

LAW ENFORCEMENT

GUNS

*Excludes use of law enforcement firearms.

83 CASES REVIEWED

MULTIPLE FATALITIES



27 cases involved multiple fatalities.

SAME SEX RELATIONSHIP



1 case involved a same sex relationship.

3RD PARTY FATALITIES



19 fatalities were 3rd parties to an intimate relationship.

KILLED BY 3RD PARTY



6 attackers were killed by a 3rd party.



Incidents occurred in homes, workplaces, public spaces and roadsides.

"We will never be the same."

—Sister of a murdered woman recounting the murder scene with victim's children present

SOCIAL NETWORKING WAS CENTRAL TO HOMICIDE EVENTS IN AT LEAST THREE CASES.



In a Relationship

—Facebook status update by 23-year-old victim, one day before she was killed by ex-boyfriend.

AN ADDITIONAL 33 CASES OF FATAL FAMILY VIOLENCE WERE REVIEWED, BUT ISOLATED FROM INTIMATE PARTNER CASES.

42 FAMILY MEMBERS DIED

INCLUDING

10 CHILDREN

FOUR CHILDREN, AGES 12-14, KILLED THEIR PARENTS OR CAREGIVER.

Remember these losses, strive to understand the issue, and support advances toward long-term solutions.

ODVN will be working with legislators, domestic violence programs, public officials and others to design more effective responses that can prevent these tragedies.