



# **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT**OHIO SUMMARY

On September 12, 2019, 66 out of 66 **(100%)** identified domestic violence programs in Ohio participated in a national census of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). The following figures represent the information shared by these 66 participating programs regarding the services provided during DV Counts Day, the 24-hour survey period.

#### 2,640 Victims Served in One Day

1,499 adult and child victims of domestic violence found refuge in emergency shelters, transitional housing, or other housing provided by local domestic violence programs.

1,141 adult and child victims received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, children's support groups, and more.

Type of Service Provided on DV Counts Day	% of Programs Providing Service
Emergency Shelter	77%
Transportation	67%
Court Accompaniment/Legal Advocacy	64%
Children's Support or Advocacy	58%

#### **639 Hotline Calls Answered**

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources. During the 24-hour survey period, local and state hotline staff in Ohio answered 639 calls, on average 27 calls per hour.

### 443 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 DV Counts Day, local domestic violence programs educated 443 individuals in communities across Ohio. Advocates provided 42 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

## 263 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day, of which 91% (239) were for Housing and Emergency Shelter

Victims made 263 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. Increased funding will enable domestic violence programs to provide comprehensive services to all survivors seeking help and to prevent violence in their communities.

A survivor came to us with many financial obstacles. Over time, we helped with transitional housing, case management, legal issues, and more. She just purchased her first home, an example of how having the support of people who truly understand domestic violence can make a huge difference.