Mission
The Ohio Domestic Violence Network advances the principle that all people have the right to an oppression and violence-free life; fosters changes in our economic, social and political systems and brings leadership, expertise and best practices to community programs.

About ODVN
ODVN is a non-profit, membership organization in Columbus, Ohio. ODVN is a network of 74 local domestic violence programs that serve all 88 Ohio counties. ODVN advocates for survivors and their children.

ODVN’s legal assistance program helped over 480 survivors with a wide range of legal services to help them and their children build safer lives.

ODVN provides the only comprehensive Training Institute in Ohio for front-line advocates who provide services to domestic violence survivors. A total of 12,012 people attended 207 trainings in 2021.

Our prevention programs including the Ohio Men’s Action Network (OHMAN) and The New Playbook, OHMAN’s evidence-informed signature training, work to transform individuals and communities to bring an end to DV.

ODVN is a lead partner in the Linking Systems of Care for Ohio’s Youth federal demonstration project, a collaborative effort to improve responses to Ohio’s youngest victims of traumatic crimes. ODVN and the Ohio Attorney General’s Office are working with more than 88 child-serving organizations and state agencies on the $2.5 million project.

Why we need to end Domestic Violence

131 Ohio Fatalities due to domestic violence
In FY2021, 131 people died in 90 cases of domestic violence, a 20% increase over 2020. The youngest victim was 1 years old.

* State FY 2021

Ohio DV Programs

One Day Snap Shot
Ohio’s programs provided these services during the National Census of Domestic Violence Services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence on Sept. 10, 2020.

- Served 2,650 victims with shelter or services, including counseling, legal advocacy and support groups.
- Answered 676 crisis calls—an average of 28 crisis calls per hour.
- 252 victims could NOT be served because programs lacked the resources. Unmet requests, 57% of which were for housing, included shelter, transportation, childcare, legal representation and more.

2020 Member Services Provided

111,487 survivors served including 8,753 children

* calendar year 2021

7,497 survivors sheltered including 2,980 children

* calendar year 2021

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