A continuing trend that we have seen for the last several years is the increasing number of ancillary needs that survivors and their children have which are no longer able to be met by other segments of the human services system due to budget cuts. Domestic violence counselors will advocate on behalf of survivors to help them obtain other services, but in some cases the domestic violence organization will pay to have the need met. These needs all contribute to the overall safety and stability of the survivor and children, but often extend far beyond the funding available to domestic violence organizations.

**CLIENT STORIES**

- Client had enrolled in college but could not afford textbooks. Domestic violence organization paid $300 for textbooks.
- Client did not have childcare and was at risk of having to drop out of school. Domestic violence organization paid $700 to fly client’s mother out to help her.
- Client felt unsafe in her home. Domestic violence organization paid $300 to install a security camera.
CCADV is the state’s leading voice for victims of domestic violence and those organizations that serve them. We are a membership organization of the state’s 18 domestic violence organizations that provide critical support to keep victims safe. Our member organizations provide the following confidential services free of charge:

- 24 hour toll-free crisis lines with access to certified counselors
- Safety planning
- Court advocacy
- Counseling
- Support groups
- Emergency shelter
- Community education

**The Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services**
Ansonia    New Haven

**The Center for Family Justice**
Bridgeport

**Women’s Center of Greater Danbury**
Danbury

**Prudence Crandall Center**
New Britain

**Domestic Violence Program/United Services, Inc.**
Dayville    Willimantic

**The Network**
Enfield

**Domestic Abuse Service/Greenwich YWCA**
Greenwich

**Susan B. Anthony Project**
Torrington

**Chrysalis Domestic Violence Services**
Meriden

**New Horizons**
Middletown

**Domestic Violence Crisis Center**
Norwalk    Stamford

**Interval House**
Hartford

**Women’s Support Services**
Sharon

**Safe Futures**
New London

**Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury**
Waterbury

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**ACCESS TO SAFE, AFFORDABLE HOUSING** remains one of the greatest needs facing survivors and their children.

**TRANSITIONAL LIVING PROGRAM (TLP)** is **AFFORDABLE HOUSING** that provides survivors with critical support, such as connections to healthcare and employment services, all while maintaining a consistent connection for the survivor with the local domestic violence organization. Many survivors in need of housing assistance are facing **POVERTY** - TLP provides a means for them to achieve **ECONOMIC STABILITY**, which in turn increases their **SAFETY**.

**PERMANENT HOUSING** outside of the domestic violence housing system...
Between 1.1.17 and 10.1.18, CCADV and our 18 member organizations worked with CCEH to secure permanent housing for **34 SINGLE ADULTS** and **50 FAMILIES**.

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**STATEWIDE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOUSING SERVICE STATISTICS**

**SHELTER**
- 2,055 VICTIMS
  - 1,137 ADULTS
  - 918 CHILDREN
- 6 YEARS OLD AVERAGE CHILD AGE

**TRANSITIONAL LIVING**
- 138 VICTIMS
  - 56 ADULTS
  - 82 CHILDREN
- 7 YEARS OLD AVERAGE CHILD AGE

**SUPPORTIVE HOUSING**
- 54 VICTIMS
  - 24 ADULTS
  - 30 CHILDREN
- 6 YEARS OLD AVERAGE CHILD AGE

**47.5 DAYS** was the **AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY** for a victim residing in **SHELTER**. This **INCREASED 8%** from FY17.

**123% SHELTER UTILIZATION** means that **SHELTERS** ran **OVER CAPACITY** throughout the year. This **INCREASED 1%** from FY17.

**23% ADVOCATE’S TIME** was spent on **HOUSING-RELATED** advocacy with or on behalf of victims.