10,471 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day
Victims made more than 10,471 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to provide these services.

65% of Unmet Requests Were for Housing
Emergency shelter and transitional housing continue to be the most urgent unmet needs with 6,818 requests unmet.

Of the unmet requests, the following services were reported as the most requested (from most to least requested):

1. Emergency Shelter
2. Counseling
3. Attorney/Legal Representation
4. Transitional Housing

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 42% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 30% reported not enough staff.
- 26% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 23% reported not enough specialized services.
- 10% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

"We have a huge challenge in that many people don’t understand the dynamics of domestic violence. We need more education for our community partners—including law enforcement, medical providers and the courts. We also need more economic opportunities and safe, sustainable and supportive housing options for survivors.”

— Advocate

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