



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT CONNECTICUT SUMMARY

On September 9, 2021, **15** out of **15** (**100%**) identified domestic violence programs in Connecticut participated in a national count of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). In 2021, frontline advocates continued to navigate unforeseen challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic and other crises. The following figures represent the information shared by the participating programs about the services they provided during the 24-hour survey period.

1,490 Victims Served in One Day

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

977 non-residential adult and child victims received supportive services including counseling, legal advocacy, and support groups.

164 Hotline Contacts Received

Domestic violence hotlines are lifelines for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources via phone, chat, text, and email. Hotline staff received **164** contacts, averaging nearly **7** contacts per hour.

54 Unmet Requests for Services

Victims made **54** requests for services—including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, legal representation, and other support needs—that programs could not provide because they lacked the resources. Approximately **39%** of these unmet requests were for housing and emergency shelter.

There is a tremendous need for increased funding to ensure programs can provide comprehensive services to all survivors seeking help while working toward preventing violence in their communities.

Table 1: Services Provided on 9/9/21	% of Programs Providing Services
Children's Support or Advocacy	80%
Court Accompaniment or Legal Advocacy	80%
Support/Advocacy to Teen/Young Adult Victims of Dating Abuse	47%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	47%
Support/Advocacy Related to Child Welfare/Protective Services	40%
Support/Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	40%
Therapy/Counseling for Children or Youth (by a licensed practitioner)	20%

* "From July 2020 through June 2021, we provided almost 8,000 nights in hotels to survivors. We have been operating at more than 200% of our typical shelter capacity, ensuring that all victims in need of emergency shelter can be accommodated."

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