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Domestic Violence Counts Nebraska Summary

On September 15, 2010, 22 out of 22, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Nebraska participated in the 2010 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

615 Victims Served in One Day

197 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs.

418 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including individual counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

This chart shows the percentage of programs that provided the following services on the Census Day.

Services Provided by Local Programs:	Sept. 15
Individual Support or Advocacy	86%
Transportation	68%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	59%
Children's Support or Advocacy	50%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	41%
Medical Services/Accompaniment	36%
Rural Outreach	27%
Advocacy/Support to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	18%

321 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources. In the 24-hour survey period, domestic violence programs answered more than 13 hotline calls every hour.

79 Unmet Requests for Services

Many programs reported a critical shortage of funds and staff to assist victims in need of services, such as emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation. Of these unmet requests, 62 (78%) were from victims seeking emergency shelter or transitional housing.

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 32% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 23% reported not enough specialized services.
- 14% reported not enough staff.
- 14% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.
- 5% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.

77% of Programs Reported Higher Demand for Services

As communities continue to experience job loss and decreased community resources, 77% of programs reported a rise in demand for services, while at the same time 55% of programs reported a decrease in funding.

"A survivor's child was kidnapped by his father. He's threatened to take their child before and told her she'd never see him again. Law enforcement couldn't do anything because he is the child's father and there is no official custody in place yet. We've connected her with legal aid, but she's worried that he's taken their child and fled to Mexico."

