

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT 2009

IN JUST ONE DAY:

1,648 participating local domestic violence programs (83%)

- * Assisted 65,321 adults and children through shelter, transitional housing, and advocacy
- * Answered 23,045 hotline calls, over 16 calls every minute
- * Trained 30,735 attendees at 1,468 community education sessions

These are the incredible results of the fourth annual Domestic Violence Counts: a 24 hour census of Domestic Violence Shelters and Services. The survey was conducted on September 15, 2009 and the report was released March 8, 2010 in recognition of International Women's Day.

A FEW NOTES:

- * 9,280 requests for services went unmet because of a lack of resources or staffing. 60% of the unmet requests were for emergency shelter or transitional housing and 40% of the unmet requests were for non-residential services.
- * 17,445 Children under 18 spent the night of September 15, 2009 in a domestic violence shelter or transitional housing program - far more than the approximately 11,000 children who are born every day across the U.S.
- * This year, 25 states and territories achieved a 100% participation rate!

Thank you to all the amazing local programs that helped make this third annual national, coordinated, and safe DV count a success!

- * For the full 2009 report and state summaries please go to www.nnedv.org/census
- * 2009 press release and media enquiries, see: www.nnedv.org
- * For additional information, handouts, Frequently Asked Questions, and survey methodology, go to www.nnedv.org/census

Thanks again for doing the amazing work you do every day for survivors and for contributing to the fourth annual DV Counts survey!

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