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Domestic Violence Counts Nevada Summary

On September 15, 2010, 11 out of 15, or 73%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Nevada participated in the 2010 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information provided by 11 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

448 Victims Served in One Day

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

296 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	100%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	91%
Transportation	73%
Transitional Housing	55%
Advocacy Related to Public Benefits/TANF/Welfare	45%
Financial Skills/Budgeting	36%
Advocacy Related to Housing Office/Landlord	27%
Job Training/Employment Assistance	27%

120 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 5 hotline calls every hour.

12 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, 5 (42%) were from victims seeking emergency shelter or transitional housing.

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 36% reported not enough specialized services.
- 27% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 9% reported not enough staff.
- 9% reported no available beds or funding for hotels.

91% of Programs Reported Higher Demand for Services

As communities continue to experience job loss and decreased community resources, 91% of programs reported a rise in demand for services, while at the same time 82% of programs reported a decrease in funding.

"The stress of the current economic climate makes it very difficult for survivors in our community. Housing is limited and the vacancies that are available are rarely affordable. Unemployment is the highest it has been in years, so it's almost impossible for victims to find jobs to support themselves."

