

Domestic Violence Services in Alaska



On September 10, 2020, Alaska's domestic violence programs participated in the National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information provided by the 26 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

609
victims served
in one day

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

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

143
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, local and state hotline staff in Alaska answered on average 5.96 hotline calls every hour.

25
unmet requests
for services

Victims made 25 requests for services on this day that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to provide these services. 100% of the unmet service requests were for housing.

Quotes from the field

"A survivor and her son received counseling while they stayed in our shelter. Our advocates were able to help her through her dark moments, and she told us, with tears in her eyes, "Thank you. I've never had so many people care about me or want to make sure I'm doing well."

"With social distancing requirements, shelter capacity is greatly reduced. We received some donations and were able to put a number of victims into hotels, but we have run out of these funds."

“ We decided to put survivors in motels so they could quarantine without bringing the virus into the safe house, but this was a big expense we did not budget for. We could not hold our annual fundraisers, and it was challenging raising funds to keep our doors open.” ”

Alaska's domestic violence/sexual assault programs provide critical, life-saving services to their communities. Your support is essential!