



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS REPORT HAWAII SUMMARY

On September 12, 2019, 11 out of 21 (52%) identified domestic violence programs in Hawaii participated in a national census of domestic violence services conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). The following figures represent the information shared by these 11 participating programs regarding the services provided during DV Counts Day, the 24-hour survey period.

578 Victims Served in One Day

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

332 adult and child victims received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, children’s support groups, and more.

Type of Service Provided on DV Counts Day	% of Programs Providing Service
Emergency Shelter	36%
Transitional or Other Housing	27%
Children’s Support or Advocacy	27%
Support/Advocacy Related to Housing/Landlord	27%
Support/Advocacy Related to Immigration	9%

83 Hotline Calls Answered

Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, and resources. During the 24-hour survey period, local and state hotline staff in Hawaii answered 83 calls, on average 3 calls per hour.

Recently, survivors who are immigrants have all described encountering barriers in obtaining housing, work, legal services, and benefits. The hard reality is that even if they overcome their fear of seeking help, they are ineligible for many of the services they need.

16 Individuals Attended Prevention and Educational Trainings

Community education is essential to raising awareness about domestic violence and the resources that are available to victims, while promoting prevention strategies. On DV Counts Day, local domestic violence programs educated 16 individuals in communities across Hawaii. Advocates provided 2 trainings that addressed domestic violence prevention, early intervention, and more.

58 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day, of which 64% (37) were for Housing and Emergency Shelter

Victims made 58 requests for services—including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, legal representation, and more—that could not be provided because programs lacked the resources to meet victims’ needs. Increased funding will enable domestic violence programs to provide comprehensive services to all survivors seeking help and to prevent violence in their communities.