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Domestic Violence Counts Wyoming Summary

On September 15, 2010, 24 out of 24, or 100%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Wyoming participated in the 2010 National Census of Domestic Violence Services.

286 Victims Served in One Day

112 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.

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	88%
Emergency Shelter (including hotels/safe houses)	50%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	46%
Children's Support or Advocacy	38%
Transportation	29%
Rural Outreach	25%
Advocacy/Support to Teen Victims of Dating Violence	13%
Advocacy Related to Immigration	8%

102 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 4 hotline calls every hour.

24 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.

Programs were unable to provide services for many reasons:

- 17% reported not enough funding for needed programs and services.
- 13% reported limited funding for translators, bilingual staff, or accessible equipment.
- 4% reported not enough staff.
- 4% reported not enough specialized services.

83% of Programs Reported Higher Demand for Services

As communities continue to experience job loss and decreased community resources, 83% of programs reported a rise in demand for services, while at the same time 58% of programs reported a decrease in funding.

"After 19 years of abuse, a survivor found the strength to seek help and the courage to leave a very unsafe situation."

