

Domestic Violence Program  
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December 29, 2015

The Honorable Larry Hogan  
State House  
100 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401-1991

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.  
President of the Senate  
State House, H-107  
Annapolis, MD 20401

The Honorable Michael Erin Busch  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
State House, H-101  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Governor Hogan:

As required under Family Law Article § 4-561(a) and, in accordance with §2-1246 of the State Government Article, please accept this letter as fulfillment of the Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention's requirement to produce an annual report on the Domestic Violence Program. Enclosed is the required report.

The report details a summary of agencies funded under this program. The State provides over \$2 million in funding assistance to local jurisdictions to assist in developing and implementing strategies that aid victims of domestic violence. Should you have any questions relating to the information in this report, please feel free to contact my office at (410) 821-2828.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chris B. Shank".

Christopher B. Shank  
Executive Director

Enclosure

## **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM**

The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention is a part of the Executive Branch of State Government. The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention's mission is to serve as the State Administering Agency in the application for, and administration of, federal and state funds for public safety, crime control and prevention; and to coordinate and promote public safety linkages and partnerships between and among federal, state and local agencies. During the 2011 Legislative Session, the Maryland Department of Human Resources proposed legislation to transfer the Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis/Sexual Assault Programs, to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention. This transfer became effective July 1, 2011 through the passage of House Bill 739.

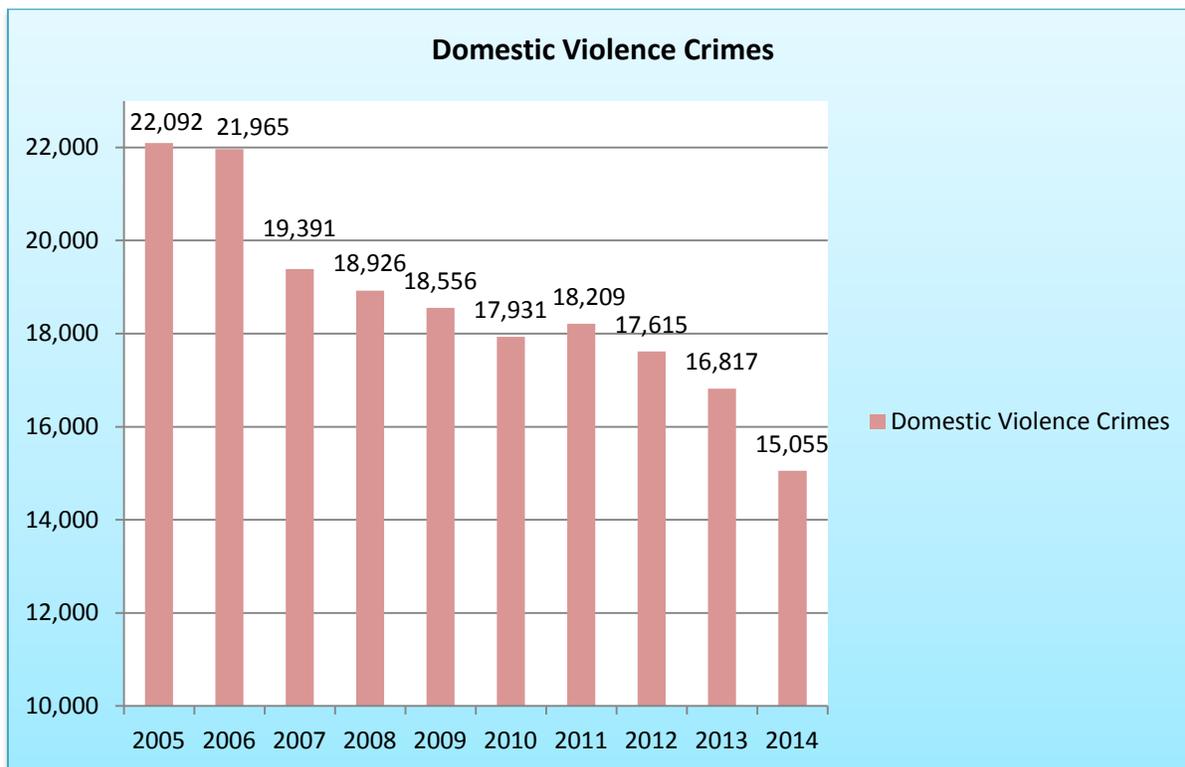
The Maryland Domestic Violence Program is a statewide program that makes temporary shelter environments and supportive services available through a network of local domestic violence services programs. These programs provide comprehensive services to meet the specific needs of domestic violence victims and their families. Providing these services locally increases the likelihood that victims will benefit from these services and that there will be appropriate linkages to other community-based services as needed. Additionally, provision of services fosters a coordinated community approach to serving domestic violence victims that includes partnerships with law enforcement, courts, hospitals, local departments of social services, and other related support agencies.

Services are provided through a network of community-based domestic violence programs and are available in every jurisdiction in Maryland. These funds are used to provide safe refuge and support services to victims of domestic violence and their children. Services include a 24-hour hotline, safe accommodations and board, therapeutic counseling, legal counseling, and court accompaniment. Funds are also used to support community awareness activities and abuser intervention services. Currently, funds support services in all 24 jurisdictions in Maryland. These programs consist of both private and non-profit agencies, and governmental agencies.

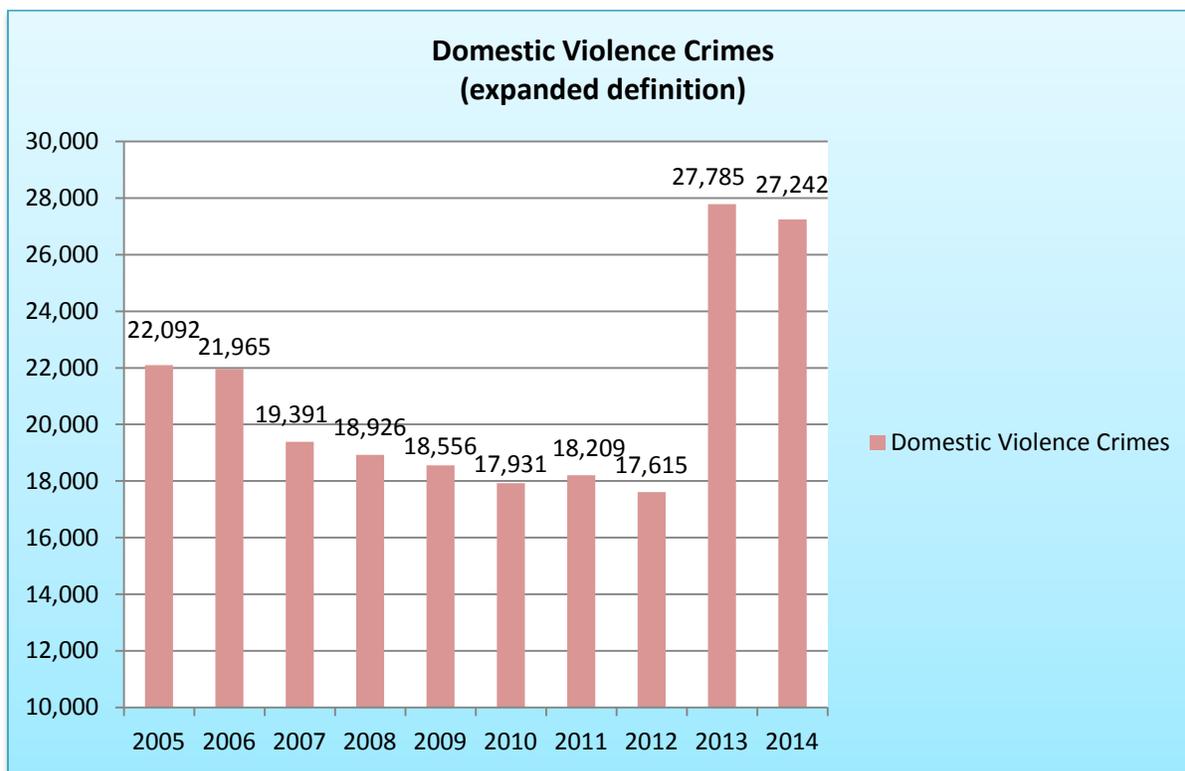
All domestic violence programs funded must provide specialized services that reflect awareness of and sensitivity to the needs of underserved populations and implement their programs in accordance with State and Federal regulations or guidelines. Un-served and underserved victim populations targeted for outreach and services include: individuals with mental health and substance abuse issues, older adults, individuals with disabilities, ethnic or racial groups - especially people with limited English proficiency, immigrants, people in same-sex relationships, teens, military families, male victims, and individuals and families living in rural areas of the State where access to services may be limited. Each program develops and implements a plan for outreach to and engagement of underserved populations. While the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention requires all domestic violence programs to identify and provide services to un-served and underserved populations, it does not require the programs to adopt one standard approach for outreach and intervention. Programs develop and implement their own outreach efforts as defined by their understanding of the specific needs of their respective jurisdictions.

**Data:**

- As of year to date December 8, 2015, domestic violence homicides are down 2% from last year (Source: Maryland State Police Daily Report).
- domestic violence crimes are down by 31.9% since 2005.



- Please note that in 2013, domestic violence data reporting was expanded to include additional relationships and reflect the changes in Maryland Law. This change explains the increase in the total number of Domestically Related Crimes reported. It should also be noted that “intimate partner” refers to a victim who had a sexual relationship with the suspect within 12 months before the commission of the crime.



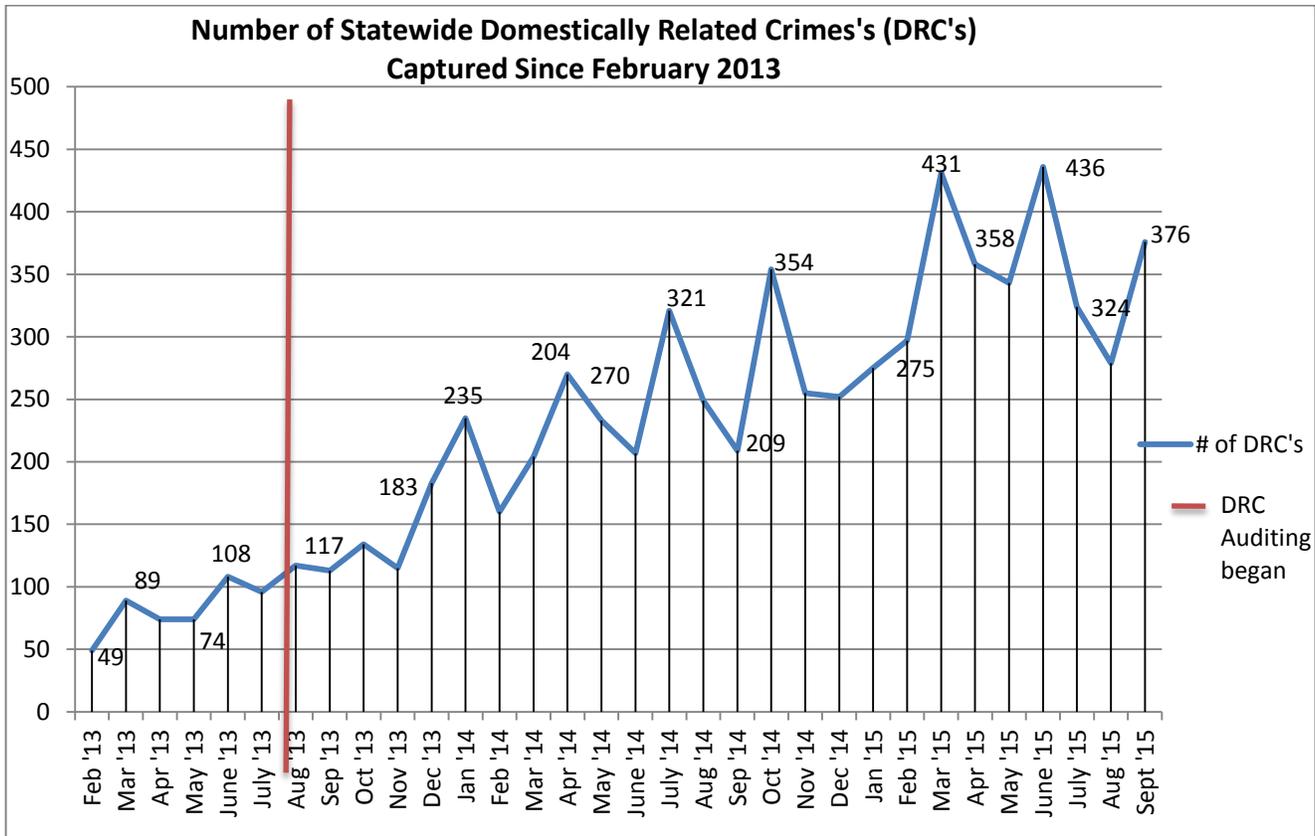
### ***Domestically Related Crimes***

In 2012, House Bill 1146/Senate Bill 647 “Domestically Related Crimes” was signed into law to help improve the recording and tracking of domestic violence crimes. Maryland does not have a distinct crime of domestic violence, therefore, the new law helps law enforcement, advocates, prosecutors and judges better protect domestic violence victims and set more appropriate conditions for abusers. To better align with Maryland Law, the Maryland Uniform Crime Reporting Program expanded the definition of domestic violence to include ten additional relationships in calendar year 2013.

Prior to 2013, the only reported relationships between domestic violence victims and offenders were husband, wife and cohabitant. The title of the reporting program was also changed to the Maryland Domestically Related Crime Reporting Program. Based on the previous definition of domestic violence, there were a total of 15,055 domestic violence crimes reported statewide in 2014, as compared to 16,817 crimes in 2013. This represented a 2 percent decrease in the number of domestic violence crimes. Due to the improved recording and tracking made possible by the 2012 legislation, an additional 12,187 domestically related crimes were reported in 2014, representing the inclusion of more types of domestic relationships.

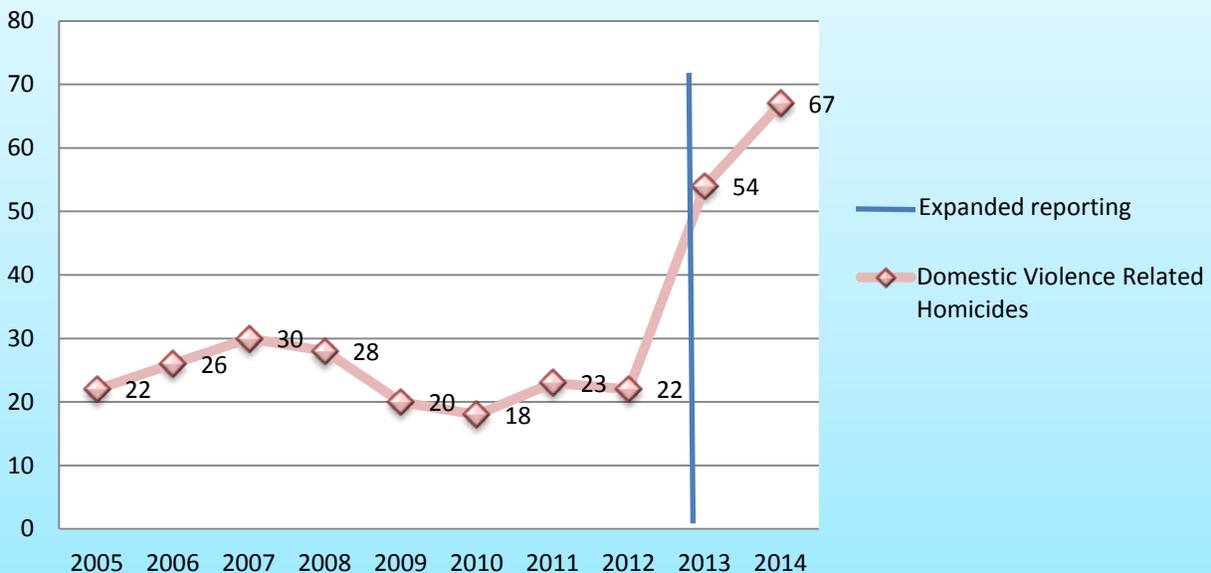
The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services has created a special Domestically Related Crime “hot file” on Maryland’s Criminal Justice Dashboard so that whenever a police officer searches an offender’s name through the Dashboard, the officer will receive an alert if that offender’s name is in the Domestically Related Crime “hot file.” Since February 1, 2013, 7,220 offenders have been

adjudicated by the court as having committed domestically related crimes. This finding is noted on their RAP sheets. This number is expected to increase in the future as more prosecutors and judges become familiar with the new law.



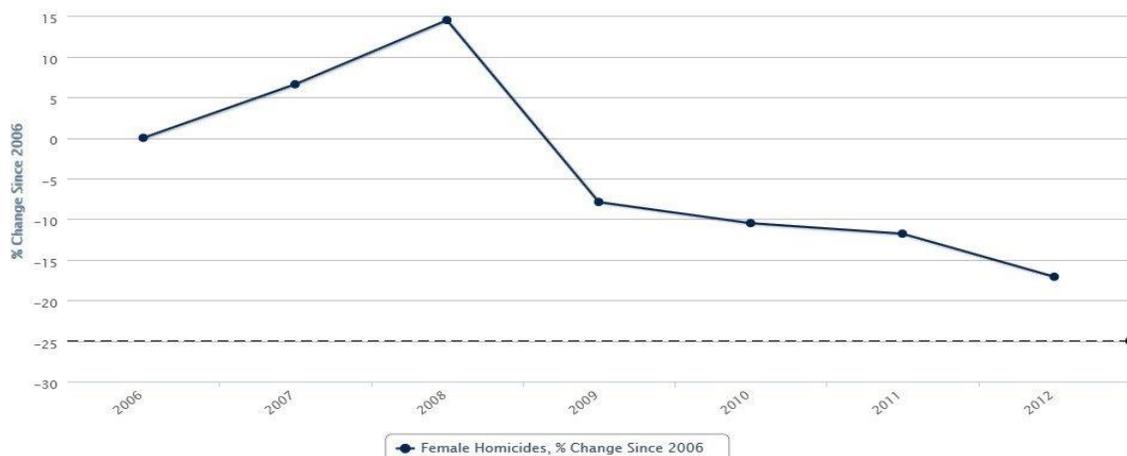
In 2013, the Maryland State Police modified its data collection to specifically record domestically related crimes. The Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention and the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center are working closely with the Criminal Justice Information System to ensure the reporting process is progressing efficiently. The Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services added an alert to the Dashboard for domestically related offenders, so police officers searching the Dashboard know if an offender is on the Domestically Related Crime hot file. The increase in the total number of Domestic Violence Related Homicide data therefore appears “inflated” due to the newly incorporated reporting methodology.

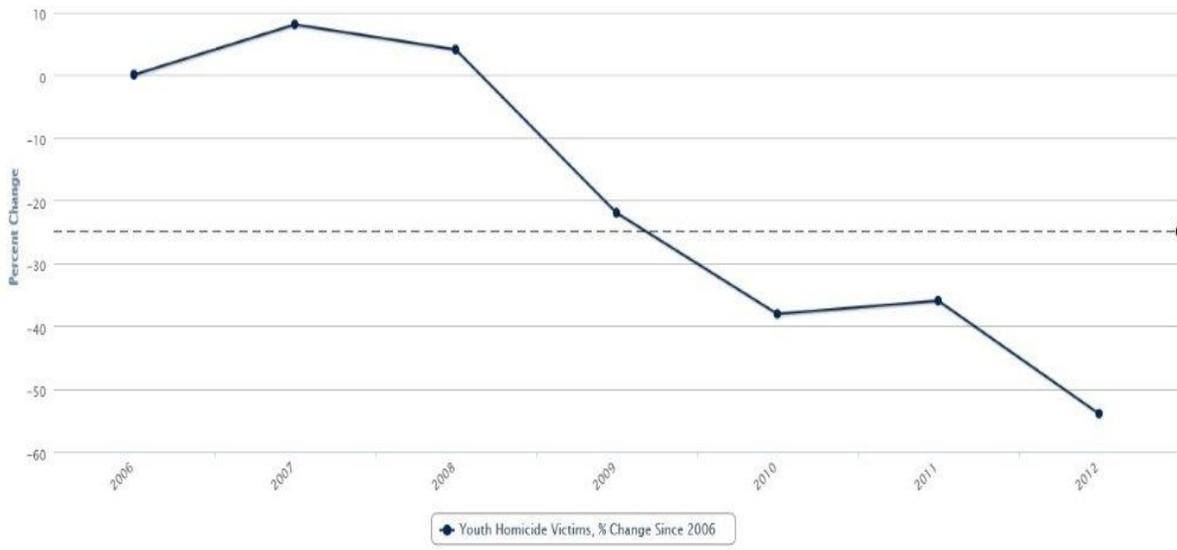
## Domestic Violence Related Homicides



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- In 2014, there were 72 female homicides, a number that has slowly started to increase over the past two years.
- In 2014, there were 30 juvenile murder victims.
- Combined, last year the State drove down female and juvenile homicides by 32.5% since 2006.

\* UCR 2013 data reflects the change in Maryland Law as mentioned above, and has not been broken down by category to reflect any additional information as shown below.





Although Maryland does not have a separate crime of domestic violence; due to legislative changes effective October 1, 2012, State's Attorneys can request on the record that domestic violence crimes upon conviction be recorded so the State can better track these cases going forward. This new legislation provides for better offender accountability, in that repeat domestic violence perpetrators are no longer anonymous to the system; and also provides greater system accountability, in that the law creates a new level of accountability for prosecutors, judges, supervising agencies, and law enforcement agencies to increase victim safety. Prosecutors are better equipped to advocate on behalf of victims and public safety, while judges are able to determine sentences with improved data on criminal records.

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***Lethality Assessment Program***

The State of Maryland has implemented the Lethality Assessment Program-Maryland Model. The Lethality Assessment Program is a two-pronged intervention process that integrates an evidence-based screening instrument and referral protocol. The intervention process identifies victims of intimate partner violence at the scene of a call for service who are at the greatest risk of being killed, and connects them immediately to the local domestic violence program. This protocol provides direction for law enforcement, medical personnel, clergy, social workers, and others to initiate appropriate action based on the results of the screening process. Maryland is a national leader for using the lethality assessments to prevent domestic violence.<sup>1</sup> It is a first-of-its-kind initiative in the United States, was created in Maryland, and has won national recognition. The Lethality Assessment Program

<sup>1</sup> [“Vice President Joe Biden extols Maryland as Domestic Violence Prevention Model”](#) Capital News Service, March 2013

was recognized by Harvard University's Ash Institute as one of the "Top 50" Innovations in American Government programs in 2008.

The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention previously awarded more than \$2 million in federal and state grants to implement Lethality Assessment Program programs across the state. As of October 2014, 100% of Maryland's 109 law enforcement agencies and 100% of the 20 comprehensive domestic violence programs in Maryland have been trained and are implementing the Lethality Assessment Program. This includes the Baltimore Police Department, which uses lethality assessments in all nine police districts. The Lethality Assessment Program is the only program of its kind in the nation that makes use of a screening tool with an accompanying response and referral protocol.

Additionally, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention previously provided funding to the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence to train staff within the Department of Juvenile Services, the Department of Human Resources, and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to strategically implement the Lethality Assessment Program. This project began in January 2013, and the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence has drafted policies with each agency. Implementation began in the spring of 2014. In 2014, 10,292 lethality assessments were administered using the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence model. In addition to the Lethality Assessment Program administered by law enforcement first responders, during 2014 an additional 780 Lethality Assessment Program's were initiated by domestic violence programs from victim-initiated calls, 776 initiated following Temporary Protective Order/Interim Protective Order hearings, and 441 initiated by hospitals, all using the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence model. Since its creation, jurisdictions in 34 states including Maryland are currently using the Lethality Assessment Program.

### ***Hospital-Based Domestic Violence Programs***

The University of Maryland Medical System Foundation program is Maryland's tenth hospital-based domestic violence program to identify victims at an early stage in the cycle of domestic violence and extend comprehensive services to prevent future physical and emotional injury. These programs provide screening and documentation of abuse, mandated reporting, crisis intervention, safety planning, emotional support, dangerous assessments, and referrals to resources in the community, such as shelters and counseling. These programs also assist hospitals in training their medical staff on recognizing domestic violence and proper screening procedures. Screening programs are likely to decrease hospitalizations, workplace costs and liability, misdiagnosis, and the high-cost of specialty care. In addition, hospital staff are more likely to screen all patients for abuse when identification of abuse results in a simple in-house referral. In FY2015, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention provided over \$800,000 to the expansion of these programs:

- Anne Arundel Medical Center
- Mercy Medical Center
- Sinai Hospital
- Greater Baltimore Medical Center
- Meritus Medical Center
- Prince George's County Hospital
- Northwest Hospital

- Howard County General Hospital
- MedStar St. Mary's Hospital
- University of Maryland Medical System

***Specialized Caseloads for Domestic Violence Offenders on Parole and Probation***

The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Service’s Community Supervision Enforcement Program monitors offenders on home detention and operates the Warrant Apprehension Unit to bring in offenders who have violated the terms of their supervision. The Community Supervision division manages domestic violence cases in dedicated caseloads (solely domestic violence) and concentrated caseloads (domestic violence and mixed cases) in each county in the state.

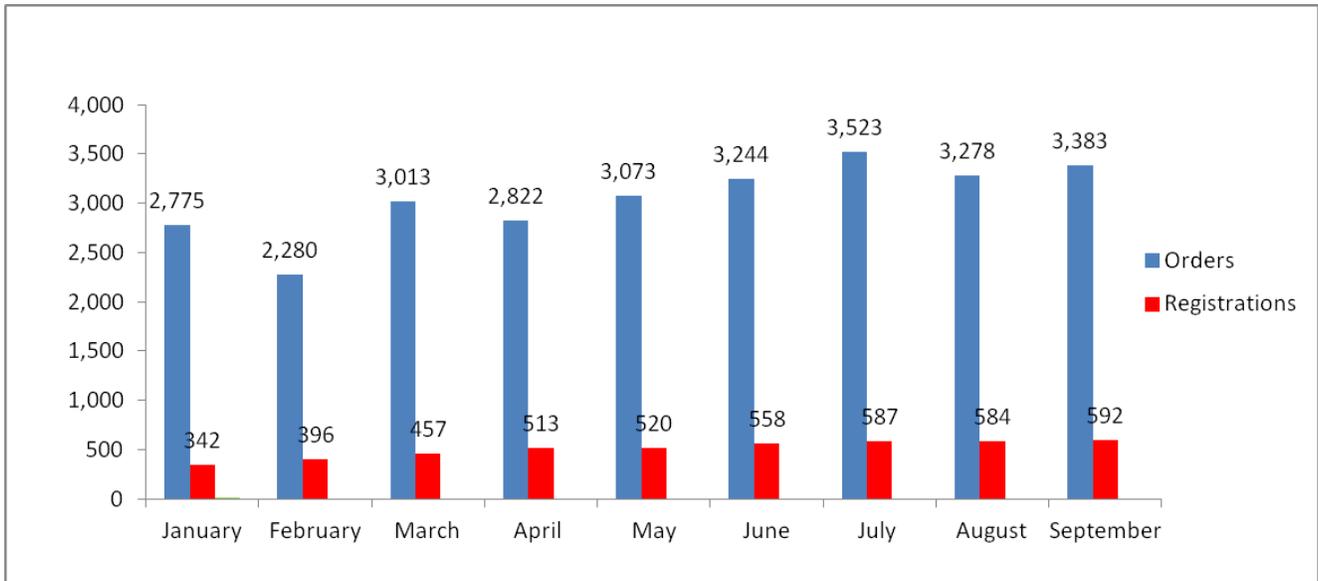
***VINE Protective Order***

The Maryland VINE Protective Order is a free automated notification system service that allows petitioners to be notified by telephone and or email when a protective order has been served. It provides protective order case information to petitioners, victim advocates, and law enforcement. The time immediately after a protective order has been served can be dangerous for the petitioning victim. Knowing when the order has been served can be vital and keeps the victim informed throughout the order process.

In 2014, twelve percent (4,481 of 37,665) of protective orders issued had related VINE Protective Order registrations. Additionally, VINE Protective Order provided 11,034 notifications of successful service of interim, temporary, and final protective orders.

VINE Protective Order is provided by the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention and the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

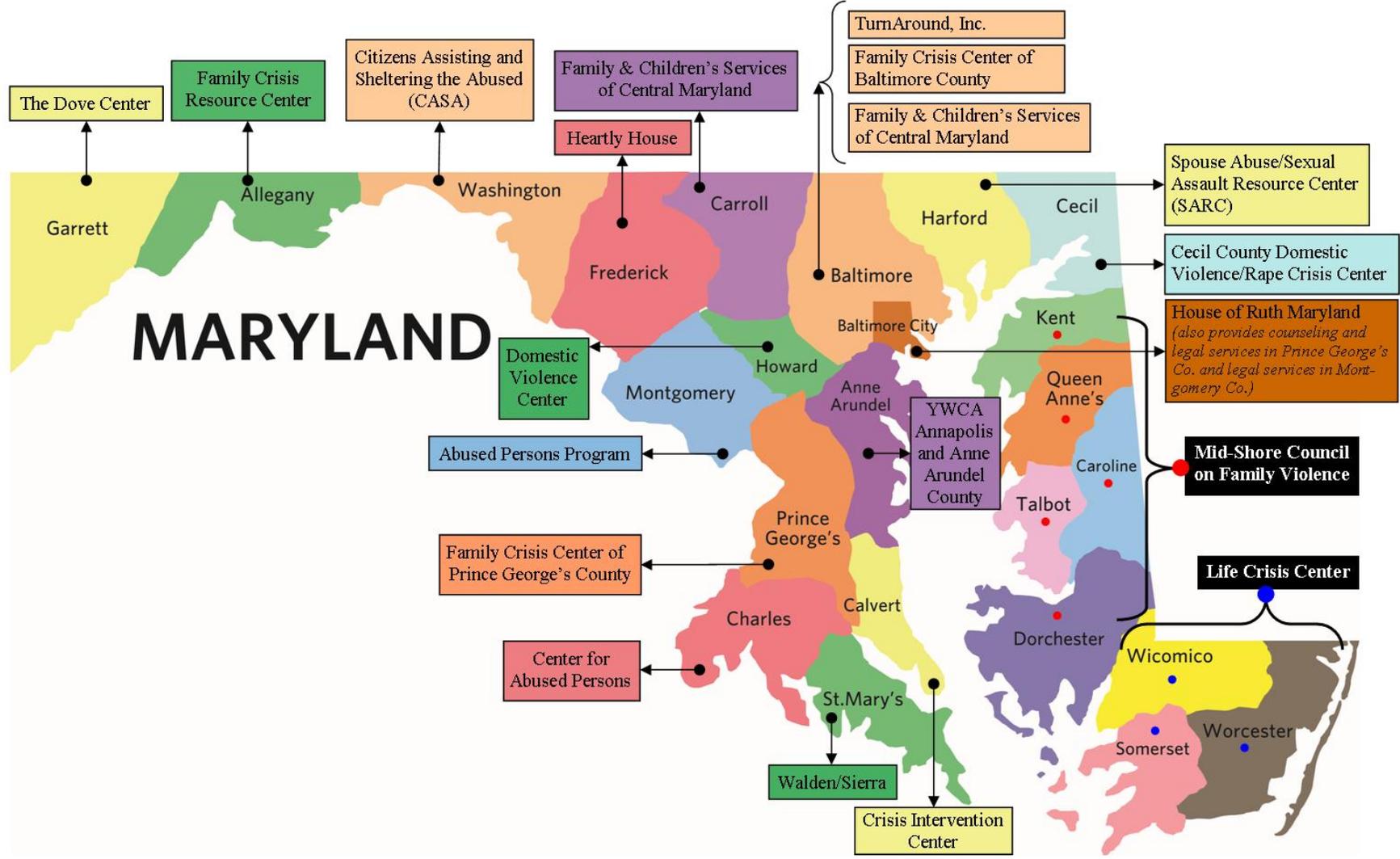
<b>2015 VINE Protective Order (VPO)/Registrations</b>			
	<b>ORDERS ISSUED</b>	<b>REGISTRATIONS</b>	<b>Registration %</b>
<b>January</b>	2,775	342	12.3%
<b>February</b>	2,280	396	17.4%
<b>March</b>	3,013	457	15.2%
<b>April</b>	2,822	513	18.2%
<b>May</b>	3,073	520	16.9%
<b>June</b>	3,244	558	17.2%
<b>July</b>	3,523	587	16.7%
<b>August</b>	3,278	584	17.8%
<b>September</b>	3,383	592	17.5%



Attachments:

- A. Maryland's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Centers
- B. Maryland Domestic Violence Directory
- C. Maryland State Report on Domestic Violence Hotline calls
- D. 2014 Maryland Domestic Violence Summary
- E. Fiscal Year 2016 Grant Funded Programs

# Programs Providing Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services in Each County



# Maryland Domestic Violence Directory

County	Services Include	County	Services Include
<b>Allegany</b> Family Crisis Resource Center, Inc. <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 301-759-9246 Hotline: 301-759-9244 Fax: 301-759-4934 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counseling</li><li>• Safe House/Shelter</li><li>• Information and Referral</li></ul>	<b>Harford</b> Sexual Assault/Spouse Abuse Resource Center, Inc. <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 410- 836-8431  Hotline: 410- 836-8430 Fax: 410- 838-9484 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counseling</li><li>• Safe House/Shelter</li><li>• Hotline</li></ul>
<b>Anne Arundel</b> YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 410-626-7800 Hotline: 410-222-6800 Fax: 410-626-7312 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counseling</li><li>• Safe House/Shelter</li><li>• Information and Referral</li></ul>	<b>Howard</b> Domestic Violence Center of Howard County, Inc. <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 410-997-0304 Hotline 410-997-2272 or 800-752-0191 Fax: 410-997-1397 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counseling</li><li>• Safe House/Shelter</li><li>• Hotline</li></ul>
<b>Baltimore City</b> House of Ruth, Inc. <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 410 -889-0840 Hotline: 410 -889-7884 Fax: 410 -889-9347 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counseling</li><li>• Safe House/Shelter</li><li>• Legal Services</li></ul>	<b>Kent</b> Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 410-690-3222 Hotline: 1-800-927-HOPE (4673) Fax: 410-690-3271 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safe House/Shelter</li><li>• Crisis Intervention</li><li>• Legal Accompaniment</li></ul>
<b>(West) Baltimore County</b> Family & Children Services of Central Maryland <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 410-281-1334 Hotline: 410-828-6390 Fax: 410-298-4326 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counseling</li><li>• Referrals to Shelter</li><li>• Advocacy</li></ul>	<b>Montgomery</b> Montgomery Co. Dept. of Health & Human Services Abused Persons Program <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 240-777-4195 Hotline: 240-777-4673 Fax: 240-777-1329 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counseling</li><li>• Safe House/Shelter</li><li>• Crisis Intervention</li><li>• Advocacy</li></ul>
<b>(North/Central) Baltimore County</b> TurnAround, Inc. <b>Contact Information</b> Phone: 410-377-8111 Hotline: 410-828-6390 Fax: 410-377-6806 <a href="#">website info</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counseling</li><li>• Advocacy</li><li>• Referrals to Shelter</li></ul>		

### **(East) Baltimore County**

Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County, Inc.

**Contact Information**

Phone: 410-285-4357  
Hotline: 410-828-6390  
Fax: 410-285-4361

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Information and Referral

### **Prince George's**

Family Crisis Center of Prince George's Co.

**Contact Information**

Phone: 301-779-2100  
Hotline 301-731-1203 or  
866-DVCRISIS

Fax: 301-779-2104

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Information and Referral

### **Calvert**

Calvert County Health Department Crisis Intervention Program

**Contact Information**

Phone: 410-535-5400  
Hotline: 410-535-1121 or  
301-855-1075

Fax: 410-414-3962

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Advocacy

### **Queen Anne's**

Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence

**Contact Information**

Phone: 410-690-3222  
Hotline: 1-800-927-HOPE (4673)  
Fax: 410-690-3271

[website info](#)

- Safe House/Shelter
- Crisis Intervention
- Legal Accompaniment

### **Caroline**

Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence

**Contact Information**

Phone: 410-690-3222  
Hotline: 1-800-927-HOPE (4673)  
Fax: 410-690-3271

[website info](#)

- Safe House/Shelter
- Crisis Intervention
- Legal Accompaniment

### **Somerset**

Life Crisis Center, Inc.

**Contact Information**

Phone: 410-749-0632  
Hotline 410-749-4357 or  
410-641-4357

Fax: 410-548-9496

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Information and Referral

### **Carroll**

Family & Children's Services of Central Maryland

**Contact Information**

Phone: 410-876-1233  
Hotline: 410-857-0077  
Fax: 410-876-4791

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Referrals to Shelter
- Advocacy

### **St. Mary's**

St. Mary's County Board of Commissioners – Walden-Sierra, Inc.

**Contact Information**

Phone: 301-997-1300  
Hotline: 301-863-6661 or  
301-863-6664

Fax: 301-997-1321

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Referrals to Shelter
- Crisis Intervention

### **Cecil**

Cecil County Department of Social Services Domestic Violence/Rape Crisis Center

**Contact Information**

Phone: 410- 996-0333  
Hotline: Same as above  
Fax: 410-996-0820

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Advocacy

### **Talbot**

Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence

**Contact Information**

Phone: 410-690-3222  
Hotline: 1-800-927-HOPE (4673)  
Fax: 410-690-3271

[website info](#)

- Safe House/Shelter
- Crisis Intervention
- Legal Accompaniment

## Charles

Center for Abused Persons

### Contact Information

Phone: 301-645-8994

Hotline: 301-645-3336 or  
301-843-1110

Fax: 301-645-8342

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Referrals to Shelter
- Advocacy

## Washington

CASA, Inc.

### Contact Information

Phone: 301-739-4990

Hotline 301-739-8975 or  
301-739-1012 TTY

Fax: 301-797-0064

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Information and Referral

## Dorchester

Mid-Shore Council on Family  
Violence

### Contact Information

Phone: 410-690-3222

Hotline: 1-800-927-HOPE (4673)

Fax: 410-690-3271

[website info](#)

- Safe House/Shelter
- Crisis Intervention
- Legal Accompaniment

## Wicomico

Life Crisis Center, Inc.

### Contact Information

Phone: 410-749-0632

Hotline 410-749-4357 or  
410-641-4357

Fax: 410-548-9496

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Information and Referral

## Frederick

Heartly House, Inc.

### Contact Information

Phone: 301-662-8800

Hotline: Same as above

Fax: 410-996-4334

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Information and Referral

## Worcester

Life Crisis Center, Inc.

### Contact Information

Phone: 410-749-0632

Hotline 410-749-4357 or  
410-641-4357

Fax: 410-548-9496

[website info](#)

- Counseling
- Safe House/Shelter
- Information and Referral

## Garrett

Domestic Violence/Sexual  
Assault Resource Center, Inc.  
(DOVE Center)

### Contact Information

Phone: 301-334-6255

Hotline: 301-334-9000

Fax: 301-245-4525

[website info](#)

The National Domestic Violence  
**HOTLINE**

1.800.799.SAFE (7233) • 1.800.787.3224 (TTY)

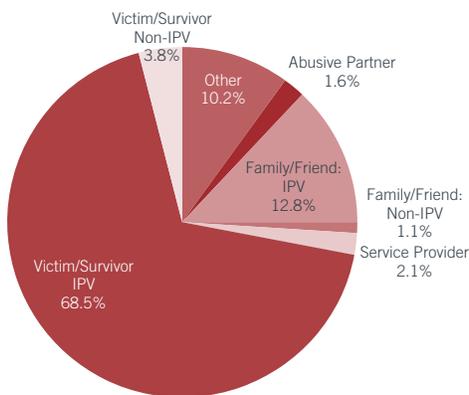
# Maryland State Report

Based on Hotline contacts documented January–June 2015

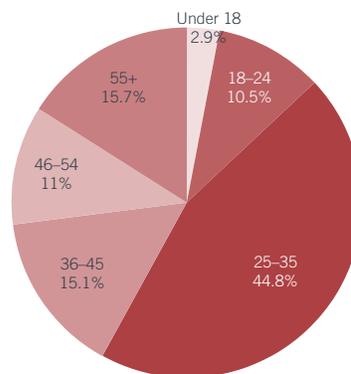
In the first half of 2015, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented **1,685 contacts** from Maryland. The state ranks 16 in terms of Hotline contact volume. The Hotline provides Crisis Intervention, Safety Planning, Referrals and DV Education for these contacts.

☎ Phone	1,541
💬 Chat	143
✉ Other	0
🏠 TTY	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,685</b>

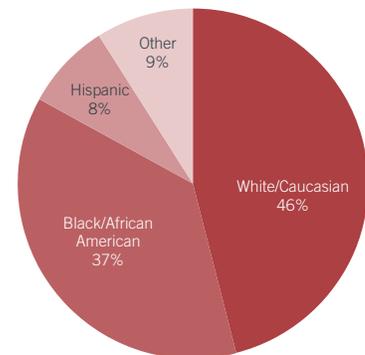
## Who is calling from Maryland?



Caller Type



Victim Age



Caller Ethnicity

### Caller Type Definitions:

- Victim/Survivor: IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) – a victim or survivor of abuse from his/her partner or spouse
- Friend/Family: IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) – a friend or family member of a victim/survivor of IPV
- Victim/Survivor: Non-IPV– a victim or survivor of abuse by anyone else: parent, sibling, caretaker, etc.
- Friend/Family: Non-IPV – a friend or family member of a victim of any other type of abuse, such as child or elder abuse
- Service Provider – a caller from any agency, including other domestic violence agencies, which provides social services
- Abusive Partner – a caller who identifies as abusive or who an Advocate believes to be an abusive partner
- Other – any caller about whom an Advocate is able to gather info, but who does not fit into an above category; this might include callers like law enforcement or medical professionals

### Top 10 Cities in Contact Volume

1. Baltimore	30%
2. Waldorf	5%
3. Rockville	4%
4. Silver Spring	4%
5. Frederick	3%
6. Laurel	3%
7. Bowie	2%
8. Annapolis	2%
9. Gaithersburg	2%
10. Bethesda	2%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>57%</b>

The National Domestic Violence Hotline is a 501c3 organization that relies on generous contributions from the public, government and corporations to continue operation.

## What are victims experiencing?

97%

### Emotional/Verbal Abuse

*degradation, threats, insults, humiliation, isolation, etc.*

66%

### Physical Abuse

*hitting, biting, choking, etc.*

7%

### Sexual Abuse

*rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.*

9%

### Economic/Financial Abuse

*control finances, ruin credit, etc.*

2%

### Digital Abuse

*steal passwords, constant texts, etc.*



Referrals to Service Providers

**1,712**

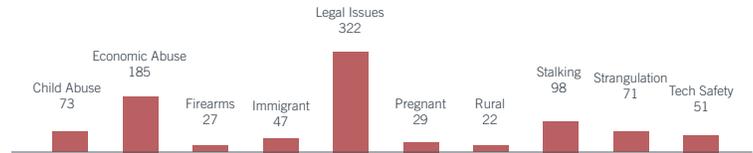
Offers to Direct Connect

**855**

Referrals to Other Resources

**287**

## Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



### Those disclosing legal issues:

Custody/Visitation	105	23%
Divorce	105	23%
Citizenship/Documentation	24	5%
Interstate Custody	14	3%
Other	189	41%
Protective Orders	211	46%

### Commonly Requested Hotline Services:

Legal Representation	169	10%
DV Nonresidential Services	215	13%
DV Support Groups	264	16%
Individual Professional Counseling	323	19%
Legal Advocacy	284	17%
Domestic Violence Shelter	303	18%

### Top Resource Referrals

Womenslaw.org

211 - United Way

Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline

Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence

Your Life Your Voice (Boys Town)

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## Domestic Violence Counts Maryland Summary

On September 10, 2014, 22 out of 22 (100%) identified local domestic violence programs in Maryland participated in the 2014 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 22 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

### 1,085 Victims Served in One Day

375 domestic violence victims (206 children and 169 adults) found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs.

710 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including 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. 10
Emergency Shelter	77%
Therapy/Counseling for Adults (by a licensed practitioner)	64%
Court/Legal Accompaniment/Advocacy	59%
Transportation	41%
Bilingual Advocacy	36%
Therapy/Counseling for Children (by a licensed practitioner)	36%
Transitional Housing	32%
Legal Representation by an Attorney	27%

### 507 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 hotlines answered 507 calls, averaging more than 21 hotline calls every hour.

### 264 Educated in Prevention and Education Trainings

On the survey day, 264 individuals in communities across Maryland attended 13 training sessions provided by local domestic violence programs, gaining much-needed information on domestic violence prevention and early intervention.

### 160 Unmet Requests for Services in One Day, of Which 37% (59) Were for Housing

Victims made more than 150 requests for services, including emergency shelter, transitional housing, and non-residential services, which could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to provide these services. The most frequently-needed service that couldn’t be provided was legal representation, followed by housing and financial assistance.

### Cause of Unmet Requests for Help

- 32% reported reduced government funding.
- 18% reported reduced individual donations.
- 14% reported cuts from private funding sources.
- 14% reported not enough staff.

Across Maryland, 27 staff positions were eliminated in the past year; most of these positions were direct services (68%), such as shelter or legal advocates, so there were fewer advocates to answer calls for help. Fourteen individual services at local programs were reduced or eliminated in the past year.

“Our most recently sheltered mother, who along with her children filled our last open room, was able to receive service coordination, financial, and transportation assistance in order to maintain her part-time employment as she began her stay with us.”

— Advocate



## DOMV FY 16 and FVPS FY 15

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-0001**Applicant Agency:** Family Crisis Resource Center, Inc.**Implementing Org:** Family Crisis Resource Center, Inc.**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services**Award Amount:** \$138,697.00**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015**Project End Date:** 6/30/2016**Matching Funds:** \$0.00**County:** Allegany**Municipality:** Cumberland**Project Summary:**

The Family Crisis Resource Center, Inc.'s Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the state of Maryland. The program provides a 24-hour hotline, safe shelter, crisis intervention and supportive services, information and referrals, individual and group counseling, legal and medical advocacy and accompaniment, advocacy with other systems, Abuse Intervention Program, and community outreach and education. Program funds provide salary support, travel expenses, and operating expenses.

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-0005**Applicant Agency:** YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County**Implementing Org:** YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services**Award Amount:** \$164,305.00**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015**Project End Date:** 6/30/2016**Matching Funds:** \$0.00**County:** Anne Arundel**Municipality:** County-wide**Project Summary:**

The YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to domestic violence and sexual assault victims in the State of Maryland. The program provides shelter, case management, counseling services, a 24-hour hotline, legal representation, hospital accompaniment, referrals, and community education. Program funds provide salary support, and operating expenses.

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-0011**Applicant Agency:** HopeWorks of Howard County, Inc.**Implementing Org:** HopeWorks of Howard County, Inc.**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services**Award Amount:** \$172,648.00**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015**Project End Date:** 6/30/2016**Matching Funds:** \$0.00**County:** Howard**Municipality:** County-wide**Project Summary:**

HopeWorks of Howard County, Inc.'s Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence and their families in Howard County, Maryland. The program promotes holistic, evidence-based healing strategies to reflect the individual needs of domestic violence victims by providing a variety of therapeutic counseling services. Program funds provide salary support and contractual expenses.

## DOMV FY 16 and FVPS FY 15

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1501      **Applicant Agency:** Sexual Assault/Spouse Abuse Resource Center, Inc. (SARC)  
**Implementing Org:** Sexual Assault/Spouse Abuse Resource Center, Inc. (SARC)

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services  
**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015      **Project End Date:** 6/30/2016  
**County:** Harford      **Municipality:** Bel Air

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$162,985.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project Summary:**

The Sexual Assault/Spouse Abuse Resource Center, Inc.'s (SARC) Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program provides a 24-hour helpline, crisis intervention, counseling, emergency shelter, and legal advocacy and representation. Program funds provide personnel support, contractual services, and operating expenses.

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1502      **Applicant Agency:** Life Crisis Center, Inc.  
**Implementing Org:** Life Crisis Center, Inc.

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services  
**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015      **Project End Date:** 6/30/2016  
**County:** Wicomico      **Municipality:** Salisbury

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$128,972.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project Summary:**

The Life Crisis Center's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence on the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland. The program provides a 24-hour hotline, crisis counseling, medical and legal accompaniment, shelter services, Abuse Intervention Program, legal services, specialized services for children, continuing counseling, outreach, and supportive services to victims and their families in Wicomico, Worcester, and Somerset Counties. Program funds provide salary support, operating expenses, and travel costs.

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1503      **Applicant Agency:** TurnAround, Inc. (Baltimore County)  
**Implementing Org:** TurnAround, Inc. (Baltimore County)

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services  
**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015      **Project End Date:** 6/30/2016  
**County:** Baltimore County      **Municipality:** County-wide

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$113,000.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project Summary:**

TurnAround's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to domestic violence victims in the State of Maryland. The program provides comprehensive services to adult and child victims/witnesses that include advocacy, crisis response, trauma therapy and safe placement. All services are available 24-hours a day 7 days a week. Program funds provide salary support, and operating expenses.

## DOMV FY 16 and FVPS FY 15

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1506

**Applicant Agency:** CASA Citizens Assisting and Sheltering the Abused, Inc.

**Implementing Org:** CASA Citizens Assisting and Sheltering the Abused, Inc.

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services

**Award Amount:** \$126,919.00

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015

**Project End Date:** 6/30/2016

**Matching Funds:** \$0.00

**County:** Washington

**Municipality:** Hagerstown

**Project Summary:**

CASA's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program provides 24-hour hotline services, safe accommodation, crisis and continuing counseling, legal and medical accompaniment, Abuse Intervention Program, specialized services for children, information and referrals, supportive services, and education and training. Program funds provide salary support, contractual services, travel expenses, and program supplies.

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1507

**Applicant Agency:** Family & Children's Services of Central MD

**Implementing Org:** Family & Children's Services of Central MD

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services - West Baltimore C

**Award Amount:** \$70,000.00

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015

**Project End Date:** 6/30/2016

**Matching Funds:** \$0.00

**County:** Baltimore City

**Municipality:** County-wide

**Project Summary:**

Family and Children's Services of Central MD's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services (West Baltimore County) program assists in developing and implementing strategies intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program provides an array of services to domestic violence victims in Baltimore County including crisis intervention, a 24-hour hotline, a 24-hour lethality response line, emergency shelter, individual and group counseling, service coordination, information and referrals, outreach, and advocacy. Program funds provide salary support and operating expenses.

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1509

**Applicant Agency:** Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County, Inc.

**Implementing Org:** Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County, Inc.

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services

**Award Amount:** \$171,543.00

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015

**Project End Date:** 6/30/2016

**Matching Funds:** \$0.00

**County:** Baltimore County

**Municipality:** County-wide

**Project Summary:**

The Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County, Inc.'s Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program provides emergency shelter, case management services, crisis and ongoing counseling, advocacy, Lethality Assessment Program services, information and referral specialized services for children, a 24-hour hotline, and Abuse Intervention services. Program funds provide salary support, travel, contractual services, and operating expenses.

## DOMV FY 16 and FVPS FY 15

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1523      **Applicant Agency:** Montgomery County, Maryland  
**Implementing Org:** Montgomery County, Maryland

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services  
**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015      **Project End Date:** 6/30/2016  
**County:** Montgomery      **Municipality:** Rockville

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$182,000.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project Summary:**

The Montgomery County Government's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program provides emergency shelter, crisis and on-going counseling, outreach, information, and law enforcement resources. Grant funds provide salary support.

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1527      **Applicant Agency:** Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Resource Center (Dove Center)  
**Implementing Org:** Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Resource Center (Dove Center)

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services  
**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015      **Project End Date:** 6/30/2016  
**County:** Garrett      **Municipality:** Oakland

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$114,836.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project Summary:**

The Dove Center's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program provides shelter, counseling, 24-hour hotline services, information and referral, advocacy and accompaniment, and Abuse Intervention Services. Program funds provide salary support and operating expenses.

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-1536      **Applicant Agency:** Center for Abused Persons  
**Implementing Org:** Center for Abused Persons

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services  
**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015      **Project End Date:** 6/30/2016  
**County:** Charles      **Municipality:** County-wide

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$92,160.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project Summary:**

The Center for Abused Persons' Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the state of Maryland. The program provides crisis intervention, individual, family and group counseling in addition to 24-hour outreach and accompaniment for victims of domestic violence. The program also provides individual and group counseling for abusers. Program funds provide salary support.

## DOMV FY 16 and FVPS FY 15

**Award Number:** DOMV-2016-4022

**Applicant Agency:** Calvert County Health Department

**Implementing Org:** Calvert County Health Department

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2015

**County:** Calvert

**Project Summary:**

The Calvert County Health Department's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies intended to serve victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program provides 24-hour helpline services, individual and group counseling, victim advocacy services, outreach and education services to the community as well as shelter at the Safe Harbor Domestic Violence Shelter. Program funds provide salary support, and program supplies.

**Award Amount:** \$137,212.00

**Matching Funds:** \$0.00

**Project End Date:** 6/30/2016

**Municipality:** County-wide

**Award Number:** FVPS-2014-1401

**Applicant Agency:** Family Crisis Center, Inc. of Prince George's County

**Implementing Org:** Family Crisis Center, Inc. of Prince George's County

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2014

**County:** Prince George's

**Project Summary:**

The Family Crisis Center, Inc. of Prince George's County's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program's main function is to provide safe housing and supportive services to women and their children fleeing domestic violence situations. Available services include a 24-hr crisis hotline, counseling, case management, and programs to benefit the children and abusers to ensure wraparound services aimed at eliminating DV in families. Program funds provide salary support.

**Award Amount:** \$224,183.97

**Matching Funds:** \$29,920.33

**Project End Date:** 8/31/2015

**Municipality:** County-wide

**Award Number:** FVPS-2014-1404

**Applicant Agency:** Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence

**Implementing Org:** Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2014

**County:** Caroline

**Project Summary:**

The Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services project assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in Kent, Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot and Queen Anne's Counties, located on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. The project provides crisis services including 24-hour hotline, shelter, crisis response, advocacy, counseling, legal counseling, court accompaniment, Abuser Intervention Program, and implement public awareness and educational activities. Services are provided in English and Spanish. Program funds provide personnel, operating expenses, travel, and contractual services.

**Award Amount:** \$231,046.00

**Matching Funds:** \$0.00

**Project End Date:** 8/31/2015

**Municipality:** Denton

## DOMV FY 16 and FVPS FY 15

**Award Number:** FVPS-2014-1408

**Applicant Agency:** Cecil County, Maryland

**Implementing Org:** Cecil County Department of Social Services

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2014

**County:** Cecil

**Project Summary:**

The Cecil County Government's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide crisis and support services to meet the needs of domestic violence victims and their families. Through the Cecil County Department of Social Services, the program provides temporary safe shelter accommodations, individual, group, and crisis counseling, case management, 24-hour hotline services, legal services, court and hospital accompaniment, transitional housing, children's services, information and referral, education, advocacy, and outreach. Program funds provide salary support, operating expenses, training, and contractual services.

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$139,881.64
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project End Date:** 8/31/2015

**Municipality:** Elkton

**Award Number:** FVPS-2014-1429

**Applicant Agency:** House of Ruth Maryland, Inc.

**Implementing Org:** House of Ruth Maryland, Inc.

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2014

**County:** Baltimore City

**Project Summary:**

The House of Ruth Maryland's (HRM) Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of domestic violence in the Baltimore Metropolitan Region. The program provides comprehensive crisis and ongoing support services to victims of Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) and their families in addition to providing available resources and assisting with safety, stability, and understanding of IPV. Program funds provide salary support, operating expenses, contractual services, and local travel.

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$474,007.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project End Date:** 8/31/2015

**Municipality:** Baltimore

**Award Number:** FVPS-2014-1438

**Applicant Agency:** Family & Children's Services of Central MD

**Implementing Org:** Family & Children's Services of Central MD

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services - Carroll County

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2014

**County:** Baltimore City

**Project Summary:**

The Family and Children's Services of Central MD's Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies that aid victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The program provides an array of services to domestic violence victims in Carroll County and their children as well as abusers to support them in living violence-free lives. Services include emergency sheltering and direct services. Program funds provide salary support, operating expenses, travel and program expenses.

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$306,000.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project End Date:** 8/31/2015

**Municipality:** Baltimore

## DOMV FY 16 and FVPS FY 15

**Award Number:** FVPS-2014-1577

**Applicant Agency:** Family Crisis Center, Inc. of Prince George's County

**Implementing Org:** Family Crisis Center, Inc. of Prince George's County

**Project Title:** Safe Passage Emergency Shelter

**Project Start Date:** 10/1/2014

**County:** Prince George's

**Project Summary:**

The Family Crisis Center of Prince George's County, Inc. Emergency Shelter program assists in developing and implementing strategies specifically intended to provide assistance to victims of crime in the State of Maryland. The program is a domestic violence support program whose primary function is to provide a safe, confidential and therapeutically supportive residential environment for women and their children fleeing domestic violence. Services include a 24-hour crisis hotline, counseling & education, case management, and trainings and outreach services with specific programs targeted at children and abusers. Program funds provide salary support.

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$104,389.91
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$28,113.67

**Project End Date:** 8/31/2015

**Municipality:** Brentwood

**Award Number:** FVPS-2014-3022

**Applicant Agency:** Calvert County Health Department

**Implementing Org:** Calvert County Health Department

**Project Title:** Comprehensive Domestic Violence Services

**Project Start Date:** 7/1/2014

**County:** Calvert

**Project Summary:**

The Crisis Intervention Center's Domestic Violence Services program assists in developing and implementing strategies that aid victims of domestic violence in the State of Maryland. The CIC, at the Calvert County Health Department, is the only agency providing comprehensive services for adult and child victims in Calvert County. The program provides 24-hour helpline services, individual and group counseling, victims' advocacy services, outreach, and education services to the community, as well as sheltering at the Safe Harbor Domestic Violence Shelter. Program funds provide salary support and operating expenses.

<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$149,212.00
<b>Matching Funds:</b>	\$0.00

**Project End Date:** 8/31/2015

**Municipality:** County-wide

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**Total Awards:** 20

**Total Funds** **\$3,403,997.52**