



Domestic Violence in Vermont

WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

Domestic violence is the willful intimidation, physical assault, battery, sexual assault, and/or other abusive behavior as part of a systematic pattern of power and control perpetrated by one intimate partner against another. It includes physical violence, sexual violence, threats, and emotional abuse. The frequency and severity of domestic violence can vary dramatically.

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- In 2012, 14 Vermont domestic violence organizations served 8,778 victims.ⁱ
- The organizations also fielded 12,507 hotline calls and housed over 1,065 victims.ⁱⁱ
- 1 in 7 Vermont women will be a victim of rape in her lifetime.ⁱⁱⁱ
- Between 1994 and 2010, 51% of all homicides in Vermont were domestic violence related.^{iv}

DID YOU KNOW?

- 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men in the United States have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner.^v
- On a typical day, domestic violence hotlines receive approximately 21,000 calls, an average of close to 15 calls every minute.^{vi}
- Intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime.^{vii}
- The presence of a gun in the home during a domestic violence incident increases the risk of homicide by at least 500%.^{viii}
- 72% of all murder-suicides involved an intimate partner; 94% of the victims of these crimes are female.^{ix}

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS IN VERMONT

1st Congressional District

AWARE
Hardwick
(802) 472-6463

HOPE Works
Burlington
(802) 846-2544

Sexual Assault Crisis Team
Barre
(802) 479-5577

Circle
Barre
(877) 543-9498

Rutland County Women's
Network and Shelter
Rutland
(802) 775-3232

Umbrella at St. Johnsbury
St. Johnsbury
(802) 748-8645

Clarina Howard Nichols Center
Morrisville
(802) 888-5256

Safeline
Chelsea
(800) 639-7233

Voices Against Violence
St. Albans
(802) 524-6575

If you need help:

Call The National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
Or, online go to DomesticShelters.org





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Women's Freedom Center
Brattleboro
(802) 254-6575

Women Helping Battered
Women
Burlington
(802) 658-1996

WomenSafe
Middlebury
(802) 388-4205

ⁱ "A Fact Sheet About Domestic Violence." www.vtnetwork.org. Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, 2013.

ⁱⁱ Ibid

ⁱⁱⁱ "A Fact Sheet About Sexual Violence." www.vtnetwork.org. Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, 2012.

^{iv} *Domestic Violence Fatality Review Commission Report*. Rep. State of Vermont, 2011. Web.

<<http://www.atg.state.vt.us/assets/files/2011%20Domestic%20Violence%20Fatality%20Review%20Commission%20Report.pdf>>.

^v Black, M.C., Basile, K.C., Breiding, M.J., Smith, S.G., Walters, M.L., Merrick, M.T., Chen, J., & Stevens, M. (2011). *The national intimate partner and sexual violence survey: 2010 summary report*. Retrieved from http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pdf/nisvs_report2010-a.pdf.

^{vi} National Network to End Domestic Violence (2015). *2014 domestic violence counts: A 24-hour census of domestic violence shelters and services*. Retrieved from http://nnev.org/downloads/Census/DVCounts2014/DVCounts14_NatlSummary_Color-2.pdf.

^{vii} Truman, J. & Morgan, R. (2014). *Nonfatal domestic violence, 2003-2012*. Retrieved from <http://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/ndv0312.pdf>.

^{viii} Campbell, J.C., Webster, D., Koziol-McLain, J., Block, C., Campbell, D., Curry, M. A., Gary, F., Glass, N., McFarlane, J., Sachs, C., Sharps, P., Ulrich, Y., Wilt, S., Manganello, J., Xu, X., Schollenberger, J., Frye, V., & Lauphon, K. (2003). Risk factors for femicide in abusive relationships: Results from a multisite case control study. *American Journal of Public Health, 93*(7), 1089-1097.

^{ix} Violence Policy Center. (2012). *American roulette: Murder-suicide in the United States*. Retrieved from www.vpc.org/studies/amroul2012.pdf.

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