



DID YOU KNOW?

- ◇ **One in every four women** will experience domestic violence in her lifetime.¹ **One in 33 men** have experienced an attempted or completed rape.²
- ◇ An estimated **1.3 million women** are victims of physical assault by an intimate partner each year.³
- ◇ The majority (73%) of family violence victims are female. Females were 84% of spousal abuse victims and 86% of abuse victims at the hands of a boyfriend.⁴
- ◇ The cost of intimate partner violence **exceeds \$5.8 billion each year**, \$4.1 billion of which is for direct medical and mental health services.⁵
- ◇ Boys who witness domestic violence are **twice as likely** to abuse their own partners and children when they become adults.⁶

CHALLENGES

- According to the Attorney General's report, the California criminal justice system is failing to enforce the state's domestic violence laws. These failures include the following: courts failing to issue restraining orders; restraining orders being issued, but not served; prosecuting officers not fully utilizing community-based victims advocates; batterers failing to attend court-ordered programs without repercussions; and a lack of coordination of criminal justice agencies.⁷

STATEMENTS FROM SERVICE PROVIDERS

"Californians placed around 20,000 calls to the National Domestic Violence Hotline in 2006."

- California Partnership to End Domestic Violence⁸

"The laws already on the books should be holding batterers accountable for their violent behavior, but the criminal justice system often fails to enforce them."

-Bill Lockyer, Attorney General,
 California Department of Justice⁷

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT IN CALIFORNIA

- California law enforcement received 176,299 domestic violence-related calls in 2006. 80,946 of the calls involved weapons, including firearms and knives.⁹⁸
- 43,911 people were arrested for domestic violence offenses in 2006. Of the 43,911 offenders, 80% were men and 20% were women.⁹
- 134 homicides resulted from intimate partner violence in 2006. 110 of the victims were women and 24 were men.⁹
- 9,345 forcible rapes were reported in California in 2005. Completed rape accounted for 87% of the offences and attempted rape accounted for 13%.¹⁰
- In California, one forcible rape occurs every 56 minutes.¹¹

STATE RESOURCES

The California Partnership to End Domestic Violence¹²
www.cpedv.org

- ◇ The California Partnership to End Domestic Violence (CPEDV) was formed in 2005 as a merger between the two existing state domestic violence coalitions. CPEDV works to end domestic violence through policy work, education, and victim-oriented programs and services.

The California Coalition Against Sexual Assault¹³
www.calcasa.org

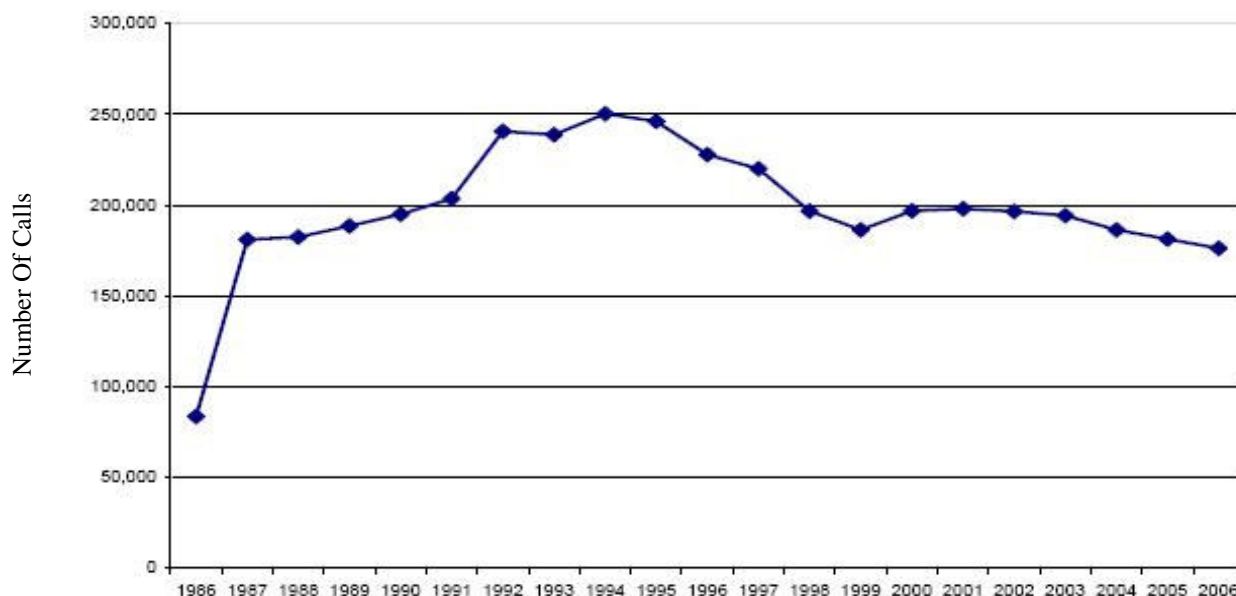
- ◇ The California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CalCASA) is a statewide coalition of rape crisis centers and prevention programs founded in 1980. CalCASA provides leadership, vision and resources to rape crisis centers, individuals and other entities committed to ending sexual violence.

For more information or to get help, please visit
http://www.cpedv.org/crisis_centers.html
 to locate local crisis hotline numbers in California

The National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE
 The National Sexual Assault Hotline at 1-800-656-HOPE

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN CALIFORNIA⁹

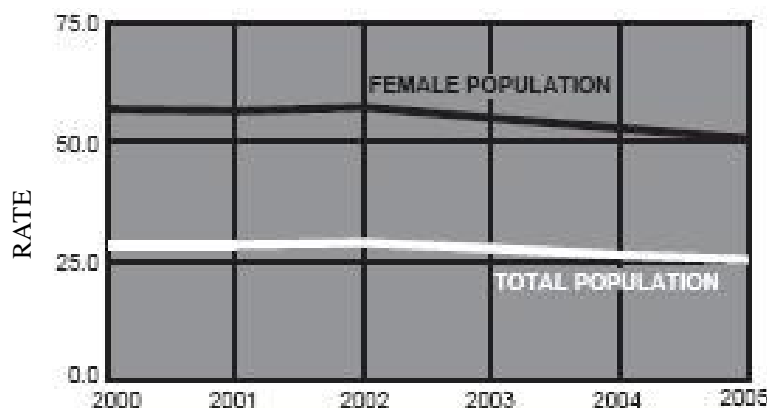
California Domestic Violence-related Calls for Assistance (1986-2006)



FORCIBLE RAPE IN CALIFORNIA¹⁰

FORCIBLE RAPE CRIMES, 2000-2005

Rate per 100,000 Total And Female Populations



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NATIONAL COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



Every Home A Safe Home

The Public Policy Office of the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV) is a national leader in the effort to create and influence Federal legislation that positively affects the lives of domestic violence victims and children. We work closely with advocates at the local, state and national level to identify the issues facing domestic violence victims, their children and the people who serve them and to develop a legislative agenda to address these issues. NCADV welcomes you to join us in our effort to end domestic violence.