



## Domestic Violence in Minnesota

### 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.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN MINNESOTA

- In 2011, Minnesota courts adjudicated 27,288 cases of domestic violence.<sup>i</sup>
- Over 80% of domestic violence victims in 2002 did not report the violence to Minnesota law enforcement.<sup>ii</sup>
- 1 in 3 homeless women in Minnesota is homeless because of domestic violence.<sup>iii</sup>
- In 2013, at least 26 women, 7 men, and 6 family members/friends in Minnesota were murdered in domestic violence homicides.<sup>iv</sup>
- In 2014, 56% of Minnesota domestic violence homicides were committed with firearms.<sup>v</sup>

### 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.<sup>vi</sup>
- On a typical day, domestic violence hotlines receive approximately 21,000 calls, 15 calls per minute.<sup>vii</sup>
- Intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime.<sup>viii</sup>
- The presence of a gun in the home during a domestic violence incident increases the risk of homicide by at least 500%.<sup>ix</sup>
- 72% of all murder-suicides involved an intimate partner; 94% of the victims of these crimes are female.<sup>x</sup>

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS IN MINNESOTA

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District

Committee Against Domestic Abuse  
Mankato

Southwest Crisis Center PEACE Agency  
Worthington

Fillmore Family Resources  
Preston

Freeborn County Crime Victims Crisis Center  
Albert Lea

HOPE Center  
Faribault

Bluff Country Family Resources  
Jokah

LeSueur County Victim/Witness Program  
Le Center

Women's Shelter  
Rochester

#### **If you need help:**

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





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### 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District

Lewis House, 360 Communities  
Burnsville

Hope Coalition for Transitional  
Housing  
Red Wing

Ruth's House  
Faribault

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District

Cornerstone Advocacy Center  
Bloomington

### 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Asian Women United  
St. Paul

Jewish Family Services of St.  
Paul  
St. Paul

Casa De Esperanza  
St. Paul

Women of Nations  
St. Paul

Women's Advocates  
St. Paul

### 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

SEWA-AIFW Asian Indian  
Family Wellness  
Minneapolis

Minnesota Indian Women's  
Resource Center  
Minneapolis

Phyllis Wheatley Community  
Center  
Minneapolis

Domestic Abuse Project  
Minneapolis  
Family and Children's Service:  
PRIDE Program

Missions, Inc/Home Free  
Plymouth

Sojourner Project  
Hopkins

Tubman Family Alliance  
Minneapolis

### 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Alexandra House  
Blaine

Anna Marie's Alliance  
St. Cloud

### 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Lakes Crisis and  
Resource Center  
Detroit Lakes

Equay Wiigamig  
Red Lake

Someplace Safe  
Ortonville

Migrant Health  
Services: Hispanic  
Battered Women and  
Children's Program  
Moorhead

Down on Violence  
Everyday (DOVE)  
White Earth

Northwood's Coalition  
for Family Safety  
Bemidjii

Safe Avenues  
Montevideo

Shelter House -Wilmar

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Someplace Safe Grant

Women’s Rural Advocacy Program Marshall

Mcleod Alliance for Victims of Domestic Violence Hutchinson

Norman County Victim Assistance Program Ada

Someplace Safe – Otter Tail County Fergus Falls

Southern Valley Alliance for Battered Women Belle Plaine

Someplace Safe: Stevens Morris

Someplace Safe: Traverse Wheaton

### 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Advocates Against Domestic Abuse Aitkin

Safe Haven Shelter Duluth

Leech Lake Family Violence Prevention Program Cass Lake

Bois Forte Victim Services Nett Lake

Domestic Abuse Intervention Program Duluth

Fond du Lac Reservation Cloquet

Safe Haven Shelter Duluth

Family Safety Network of Cass County Walker

The Refuge Network Cambridge

Headwaters Intervention Center Park Rapids

North Shore Horizons Two Harbors

Women’s Center of Mid-Minnesota Brainerd

WINDOW Victim Services Hinckley

Pearl Crisis Center Milaca

Friends Against Abuse International Falls

Hands of Hope Resources Little Falls

Someplace Safe Wadena

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<sup>ii</sup> Minnesota Department of Public Safety (2003). *Safe at home: 2002 Minnesota crime survey*. Retrieved from: <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ojp/forms-documents/Documents/Safe%20at%20Home.pdf>

<sup>iii</sup> Wilder Research Center (2007). *Overview of homelessness in Minnesota 2006*. Retrieved from <https://www.wilder.org/Wilder-Research/Publications/Studies/Homelessness%20in%20Minnesota,%202006%20Study/Overview%20of%20Homeless%20in%20Minnesota%202006%20-%20Key%20Facts%20From%20the%20Statewide%20Survey.pdf>

<sup>iv</sup> Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women (2014). *2013 annual femicide report*. Retrieved from [http://media.wix.com/ugd/f4bdb8\\_071b2169ee1a49cca50684eb577c5aad.pdf](http://media.wix.com/ugd/f4bdb8_071b2169ee1a49cca50684eb577c5aad.pdf)

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

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<sup>x</sup> Violence Policy Center. (2012). *American roulette: Murder-suicide in the United States*. Retrieved from [www.vpc.org/studies/amroul2012.pdf](http://www.vpc.org/studies/amroul2012.pdf).

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