

# Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Federal Funds are Essential to Advance Domestic and Sexual Violence Services in Missouri

78 organizations contributed service data and 48 organizations responded to a VOCA impact survey

**79%** of agencies reported a VOCA grant allowed them to increase the number of employees

*“VOCA provided our program with additional clinical capacity allowing us to serve more people. We now have enough staff to staff the shelter AND provide the services that clients need to succeed!”*

**65%** of agencies reported a VOCA grant allowed them to add new positions

*“VOCA funds have been life-changing and we are grateful! It brought us out of a dark place. Without VOCA grant funding, our shelter would not have the funding to stay open.”*

**87%** of agencies plan to request additional funds in their 2019 VOCA grant application

*“VOCA financial support has helped change and save lives. We are extraordinarily grateful, as are those who have been able to access our services and heal from trauma. The VOCA funding is the backbone of our services.”*

**71%** of agencies reported a VOCA grant allowed them to add or expand services

*“With VOCA grant funds we added the Deaf Crisis Line and crisis interpreting - they have literally transformed how we do services for Deaf victims. So exciting!”*



## BEDNIGHTS

Nights of shelter provided to domestic and sexual violence victims:

**416,088 in 2018**

**353,131 in 2015**

↑ an increase of 62,957 or 18%

**1,459,094 total over 4-year period**



## HOTLINES

Domestic and sexual violence hotline calls:

**103,312 in 2018**

**89,617 in 2015**

↑ an increase of 13,695 or 15%

**392,247 total over 4-year period**



## SERVICES

Provided to domestic and sexual violence victims:

**43,166 in 2018**

**42,326 in 2015**

↑ an increase of 840 or 2%

**175,539 total over 4-year period**



## COMMUNITY

Community education, prevention and awareness presentations:

**9,114 in 2018**

**6,866 in 2015**

↑ an increase of 2,248 or 33%

**32,467 total over 4-year period**



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