

MCADSV 2015 SEXUAL VIOLENCE COUNTS

The Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence in 2015 coordinated the sixth-ever statewide census of the number and type of sexual violence services provided in the state during one week. The census was conducted Sept. 21-28, 2015. Reports on the number and type of services provided were submitted by 94 percent of local programs in Missouri (72 of 77 programs). It is likely that the actual number of individuals receiving sexual assault services during the census week exceeded the numbers reported. These numbers are a snapshot of services provided in one week. Numbers can vary week to week.

Most commonly reported services provided during census week (listed in descending order).

**Case Management
Hotline**

**Crisis Intervention
Professional Therapy**

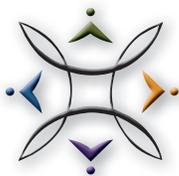
Support Groups

Court Advocacy/Legal Representation

Training/Public Education

Hospital/Medical Advocacy

Law Enforcement Advocacy



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890 VICTIMS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE RECEIVED SERVICES DURING ONE WEEK

- 568 victims served were assaulted outside of an intimate partner relationship.
- 322 victims served were assaulted by intimate partners.

2,154 people were educated in prevention and education trainings.

During the census week, 2,154 individuals in Missouri communities attended 141 training sessions provided by local sexual violence programs. The trainings provided information about sexual violence prevention and early intervention.

254 hotline calls were answered in one week.

Rape crisis hotlines are a lifeline for victims in the aftermath of an assault, and provide support, information and resources.

50 survivors received hospital or medical advocacy responses.

Missouri organizations provided support to 50 sexual violence victims at a hospital or in the emergency room.

145 unmet requests for services were made.

Due to a lack of staff and/or financial resources, requests for services by 145 victims of sexual violence were unable to be met. *Additional VOCA funds will be awarded to programs in Spring 2016 to help address unmet requests for help.*

MCADSV member programs offer examples of services provided during the census week:

"Through a partnership with the police department, I provided advocacy, support, and resources to a woman who was making a delayed report of sexual assault. After the interview had concluded, she thanked me for being there and she told the detective and me that had she known the process would be so sensitive, both with the detective and myself, she might have reported the assault earlier. This provided a reminder for me of how critical our collaboration with and training for local law enforcement is for survivors of sexual assault, in order to allow them to seek justice from law enforcement in a safe and comfortable way if they so choose."

"During this week, a survivor came to support group and for the first time in her life talked about early childhood sexual abuse. She wants to continue to come to support group and move toward healing from her past."

"A transgender client fled Louisiana and was able to find our shelter. She stated that she felt welcomed and able to sleep through the night. She was very thankful."

"The mother of a sexual assault victim has been coming in to talk about what she can do for her daughter, but this week, she came in to also seek help for herself. This was a huge step for her."