

### **2023 DATA SNAPSHOT**

## IN TOTAL, MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS HELPED 8,494 PEOPLE

For a list of member organizations, go to vtnetwork.org/get-help

**1,537** Children

**6,159** Women

**610** Men

**256**LGBTQ+
people

**812**Ethnic/racial minorities

492
Deaf or w/
disabilities

#### **VERMONTERS REACHED OUT FOR HELP WITH:**

**1,750**Violence/abuse against a friend or family member

437 Stalking

109 Sexual Harrassment

168

Child sexual abuse

**4,436**Domestic violence

99 Sex trafficking

880 Children impacted by domestic violence

**931** Sexual harm

ADVOCATES WERE AVAILABLE EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR, ANSWERING 16,345 HOTLINE CALLS AND 6,955 WEB CHATS. THEY HELPED PEOPLE WITH:

Parenting



Legal

issues

A moment of crisis

Economic or employment issues



Accessing Outreach & education



850



2,848



2,365



1,581

203

10,242 & 6,320 young adults people



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# Member organizations supported 2,566 people with housing advocacy and 1,069 people through a stay in shelter, motel/safehome or transitional housing.¹

**Shelters** housed 372 adults and 239 children for 45,975 nights.

136 71 28 44 Ages 0-6 Ages 7-12 Ages 13-17 Ages 18-24

Motels/safehomes housed 700 adults and 224 children for 25,557 nights.

123 60 30 40 Ages 0-6 Ages 7-12 Ages 13-17 Ages 18-24

Transitional housing housed 37 adults and 26 children for 16,579 nights.

The Vermont Network helped 72 survivor families find or keep stable housing through grants totaling \$111,433.

#### STATEWIDE PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY THE VERMONT NETWORK

**DIVAS**, an advocacy program for incarcerated survivors, served **278** people.

**Deaf Vermonters Advocacy Services** (DVAS) helped **49** Deaf and hard-of-hearing Vermonters.

93 credentialed Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) provided care for 418 survivors impacted by sexual harm and other violence/abuse — 99 children and youth and 319 adults.

**416** Vermonters participated in a **Domestic Violence Accountability** program.<sup>2</sup>

The Vermont Network's Justice for Victims Legal Clinic assisted or represented **509** clients, including cases involving domestic violence, sexual harm and/or stalking.

The CDC estimates that over their lifetimes, 251,000
Vermonters have experienced intimate partner violence and 259,000 have experienced sexual harm³—more than 40,000 each year. We estimate this violence costs the state well over \$111 million per year in public funding alone⁴.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The Economic Impact of Domestic and Sexual Violence on the State of Vermont (2021); Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Some people had more than one stay, eg: started in a motel and later came into shelter. 1,069 is the total number of people who had at least one stay.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Vermont Network coordinates Vermont's Council on Domestic Violence which certifies these programs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey, 2016/2017 State Report, published December 2023 by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control.