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Domestic Violence in Maine

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 MAINE

- In 2013, 5,487 domestic violence incidents were reported to Maine law enforcement, comprising almost half of assault reports. Many other domestic violence incidents went unreported.[i]
- Arrests were made in only 17.4% of reported incidents.[ii]
- In 2013, there were 12 domestic violence homicides in Maine, comprising almost half of all homicides.[iii]
- 46% of domestic violence homicides in Maine from 2012 to 2013 were committed using firearms.[iv]
- On one day in 2014, Maine's eight domestic violence programs served 439 victims/survivors of domestic violence; 55 requests for services were denied due to lack of resources.[v]

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

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS IN MAINE

1st Congressional District

Caring Unlimited,
Sanford
800.239.7298

Family Crisis Services,
Portland
207.874.1973

Family Violence Project,
Augusta
877.890.7788

New Hope For Women
Damariscotta
207.563.2404

New Hope For Women,
Rockland
207.594.2128

If you need help:
Call The National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
Or, online go to DomesticShelters.org

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2nd Congressional District

Domestic Abuse Hotline for Men,
Harmony
207.683.5758

Hope and Justice Project,
Presque Isle
207.764.2977

Safe Voices,
Lewiston
207.782.1785

Spruce Run-Womancare Alliance,
Bangor
207.945.5102

The Next Step Domestic Violence Project,
Ellsworth
270.667.0176

Womankind,
Machias
207.255.3031

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