

NATIONAL COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



NEBRASKA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FACTS

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN NEBRASKA

- Domestic violence contributed to 46% of the 30 child deaths in Nebraska occurring between 1998 and 2003 according to the Governor's Children's Task Force.¹
- 1,667 arrests were made for offenses against family and children in Nebraska in 2004.²
- 98.4% of the individuals served by Nebraska's domestic/violence sexual assault programs in 2003-2004 were women and children.³
- During fiscal year 1999-2000, battered women who received assistance from Nebraska's network of domestic violence/sexual assault programs reported that more than 80% of their children witnessed the violence.⁴

NEBRASKA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION

- The Nebraska Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Coalition (NDVSAC) is a statewide advocacy organization committed to the prevention and elimination of sexual and domestic violence.⁵
- NDVSAC's 22 domestic violence sexual assault programs provided services to 7,799 individuals in 2003-2004.⁶
- The 24-hour hotlines of NDVSAC's 22 programs answered approximately 70,000 calls in 2003-2004.⁷
- The coalition recently played an important role in increasing state funding for domestic violence and sexual assault programs by \$150,000, the largest funding increase in 19 years.⁸

SEXUAL ASSAULT IN NEBRASKA

- Over 1 out of 8 adult women, or over 84,000 adult women, in Nebraska has been the victim of forcible rape at sometime in her lifetime.⁹
- 597 arrests were made for forcible rape in the state of Nebraska in 2004.¹⁰
- 615 arrests were made for sex offenses in Nebraska in 2004.¹¹
- Nebraska was the first state to abolish the marital rape exemption in 1976.¹²

CHALLENGES

- Nebraska is one of the 11 states with the highest percentage, between 40% and 49%, of undocumented immigrants in the nation. While NDVSAC has created several programs to respond to increases in Nebraska's immigrant population, the state must continue to identify and address the domestic violence and sexual assault needs of undocumented immigrants.¹³
- Almost half of Nebraska's 1.7 million people live in rural areas. Thus, special attention must be paid to the challenges faced by rural victims of domestic and sexual violence in Nebraska.¹⁴

If you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship and wants help, please contact the **Nebraska Statewide Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Hotline at 1-800-876-6328**, the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE or the National Sexual Assault Hotline at 1-800-656-HOPE.

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The Public Policy Office of the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV) is a national leader in the effort to create and influence Federal legislation that positively affects the lives of domestic violence victims and children. We work closely with advocates at the local, state and national level to identify the issues facing domestic violence victims, their children and the people who serve them and to develop a legislative agenda to address these issues. NCADV welcomes you to join us in our effort to end domestic violence.

NEBRASKA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS BY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT¹⁵

1ST DISTRICT

Project Response Auburn (402) 274-5092 (800) 456-5764 Hotline	Crisis Center for Domestic Abuse/ Sexual Assault Fremont (402) 721-4340 (402) 727-7777 Hotline	Friendship Home Lincoln (402) 437-9300 (402) 437-9302 Hotline
Rape/Spouse Abuse Crisis Center Lincoln (402) 437-9300 (402) 437-9302 Hotline	Bright Horizons Norfolk (402) 379-2026 (402) 379-3798 Hotline	Haven House Family Services Center Wayne (402) 375-5433 (402) 375-4633 Hotline

2ND DISTRICT

Family Service Domestic Abuse Program Bellevue (402) 291-6065 (402) 292-5888 Hotline	The Shelter Omaha (402) 558-5700	YWCA Women Against Violence Omaha (402) 345-6555 (402) 345-7273 Hotline
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3RD DISTRICT

DOVES Bridgeport (308) 262-2001 (308) 436-4357 Hotline	Family Crisis Services Broken Bow (308) 872-2420 (308) 872-5988 Hotline	Family Rescue Services Chadron (308) 432-4113 (308) 432-3061 Hotline
Center for Sexual Assault & Domestic Violence Survivors Columbus (402) 564-2155	Coordinated Intervention System for Domestic Abuse Crete (402) 826-2332	Blue Valley Crisis Intervention Fairbury (402) 729-2278 (800) 876-6238 Hotline
DOVES Gering (308) 436-2787	Crisis Center Grand Island (308) 382-8250 (308) 381-0555 Hotline	Spousal Abuse/Sexual Assault Crisis Center Hastings (402) 463-5810 (402-463-4677 Hotline
The S.A.F.E. Center Kearney (308) 237-2599	DOVES Kimball (308) 235-4962	Dawson County Parent-Child Center Lexington (308) 324-2336 (308) 324-3040 Hotline
Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault Services McCook (308) 345-1612 (308) 345-5534 Hotline	Rape/Domestic Abuse Program, Inc. North Platte (308) 532-0624 (308) 534-3495 Hotline	SCIP Sandhills Crisis Intervention Program Ogallala (308) 284-8477 (308) 284-6055 Hotline
DOVES Scottsbluff (308) 632-3683	DOVES Sidney (308) 436-5747	
North Central Quad County Task Force Valentine (402) 376-2045		

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