A SNAPSHOT of GEORGIA: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE and SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Domestic violence

Oct. 2017 to Sept. 2018



Rape and sexual assault

Oct. 2017 to Sept. 2018



In FFY 2018, Georgia's 46 statecertified domestic violence programs In FFY 2018, Georgia's 22 state-funded sexual assault centers

- Sheltered **6,152** victims and their children
- Provided 452,998 bed nights of shelter
- Conducted 1,432 community awareness and outreach events with 15,941 participants
- Served 4,358 victims of rape and sexual assault, including
 2,655 adult victims and
 1,703 child victims
- Conducted 2,139 community awareness and outreach events with 183,758 participants

Data provided by the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council







Pass legislation to keep firearms out of the hands of domestic violence perpetrators!

850 Georgians were killed

by firearm in domestic violence incidents between 2010 and 2018.

The vast majority - roughly 70% - of domestic violence deaths in Georgia each year are committed using firearms.

Every neighboring state in the Southeast, including Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida, has enacted similar legislation.

Georgia ranks 25th in the nation for the rate at which women are killed by men.

Make it a felony crime for domestic violence perpetrators to possess a firearm or ammunition while subject to a Family Violence Protective Order or if convicted of a family violence-related misdemeanor.

CURRENT GAPS IN VICTIM SERVICES



2,753 victims and their children were

turned away from domestic violence shelters
due to lack of bed space in FFY 2018

CURRENT FUNDING FOR VICTIM SERVICES

<u>Thank you</u> for supporting stable funding for Georgia's domestic violence and sexual assault centers!

State funding to Georgia's domestic violence and sexual assault centers is a worthwhile investment in public safety. This funding helps to ensure that victims of these crimes have options for escaping abuse and leading safe sustainable lives.