

A SNAPSHOT of GEORGIA: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE and SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Domestic violence

Oct. 2016 to Sept. 2017



Rape and sexual assault

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In FFY 2017, Georgia's 46 state-certified domestic violence programs

- Sheltered **6,022** victims and their children
- Provided **438,557** bed nights of shelter
- Conducted **1,580** community awareness and outreach events with **335,370** participants

In FFY 2017, Georgia's 22 state-funded sexual assault centers

- Served **3,787** victims of rape and sexual assault, including **2,695** adult victims and **1,092** child victims
- Conducted **2,062** community awareness and outreach events with **189,758** participants

Data provided by the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council



Georgia
Commission on
Family
Violence



GNESEA
Georgia Network to End Sexual Assault

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

736 Georgians were killed

by firearm in domestic violence incidents between 2010 and 2017.

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 **14th in the nation** for the rate at which women are killed by men.

1. 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.
2. Require these individuals to relinquish their firearms and ammunition to licensed firearm dealers.

CURRENT GAPS IN VICTIM SERVICES



2,372 victims and their children were **turned away** from domestic violence shelters due to lack of bed space in FFY 2017

CURRENT FUNDING FOR VICTIM SERVICES

Thank you 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 not becoming a statistic.