Domestic violence is a pattern of coercive behavior characterized by the domination and control of one person over another, usually an intimate partner, through physical, psychological, emotional, verbal, sexual and/or economic abuse.

# **Domestic Violence Services In Maryland**

Twenty comprehensive domestic violence programs serve every county in Maryland. Their core services include:

- 24 hour hotline
- Emergency shelter
- Individual counseling for victims
- Support groups
- Victim advocacy
- Abuser intervention programs

- 70% of Maryland's domestic violence programs are dual programs providing both domestic violence and sexual assault services.
- •In one day in 2015, Maryland's domestic violence programs served 1,095 victims, but had 75 unmet requests for services because of lack of resources (NNEDV, DV Counts 2015).

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**Our Vision:** One day Maryland will be a state where families and relationships thrive on mutual trust and respect and where there is no place for violence.

**Our Mission:** We are the state domestic violence coalition that brings together victim service providers, allied professionals, and concerned individuals for the common purpose of reducing intimate partner and family violence and its harmful effects on our citizens. We accomplish this goal by providing education, training, resources, and advocacy to advance victim safety and abuser accountability.



# **ECONOMY**

Costs of intimate partner violence exceed \$5.8 billion each year, including:

- \$4.1 billion in direct health care services
- \$900 million in lost productivity
- \$900 million in lifetime earnings.

# **Domestic Violence in the U.S.**

### **VICTIMS**

 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men report having been victims of severe physical violence by an intimate partner.<sup>2</sup>

# **CHILD ABUSE**

 30-60% of perpetrators of partner abuse also abused the children in the household.<sup>3</sup>

# **WELFARE**

 50-60% of women receiving welfare have been victims of domestic violence as adults.<sup>4</sup>

# **HEALTH CARE**

- 32% of women sought help at hospital emergency rooms, inpatient units or ambulatory care for injures specifically resulting from the abuse.<sup>5</sup>
- Average health care costs for women with a history of abuse were \$1700 higher than never-abused women over 3 year period.<sup>6</sup>

Edelson, J.L. 1999. "The Overlap Between Child Maltreatment & Woman Battering." Violence Against Women, 5: 134-54.

# **Domestic Violence in Maryland**

## **CRIME RATE**

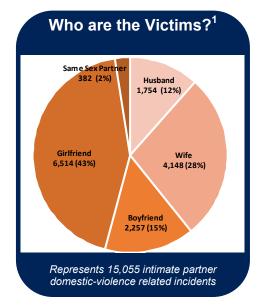
- In 2014, 27,242 Marylanders (including family members) were victims of domestic violence-related crimes; of these, 19,535 were intimate partners:
  - o 69% were women
  - 31% were men.<sup>1</sup>

### **DEATHS**

• Between 7/1/14 and 6/30/15, 25 women, 2 children, and 7 men in Maryland died as a result of domestic violence; 6 men committed suicide after actual or attempted murder, 1 man was killed by police, and 1 man was killed by his girlfriend in self-defense.<sup>2</sup>

## **COURTS**

- In FY 2014, 16,778 temporary protective orders and 8,128 final protective orders were issued in Circuit and District courts.<sup>3</sup>
- In the same time frame, 17,699 temporary peace orders and 6,797 final peace orders were granted.<sup>3</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Maryland State Police. 2014. "Crime in Maryland: 2014 Uniform Crime Report (UCR)."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 2008, Center for Disease Control & Prevention

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> CDC. "National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey." 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Center for Disease Control & Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention & Control.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "Violence Against Welfare Recipients: Domestic & Sexual Abuse." 2007. Legal Momentum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Campbell et al., 2005

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A. Snow Jones, et. al. 2006. "Long-term Costs of Intimate Partner Violence in a Sample of Female HMO Enrollees." Women's Health Issues, 16(5): 252-261.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence. 2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts Data. 2014.