



# End Domestic Abuse

## THE WISCONSIN COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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The Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence (WCADV) is the leading voice for victims of domestic abuse in Wisconsin.

At WCADV, we

- educate shelter and program volunteers and advocates, law enforcement, legislators, and community members to provide safety and support to survivors,
- strive to shift Wisconsin from the attitudes and beliefs that cause domestic violence to values of mutual respect and equality, and
- partner with communities in the effort to prevent and end domestic abuse.



**Our Mission:** WCADV promotes social change that transforms societal attitudes, practices and policies to prevent and eliminate domestic abuse.

**What we do:**

WCADV builds the capacity of domestic violence organizations and advocates to enhance services to victims and their children. Additionally, WCADV builds the capacity of allied organizations such as justice systems, health care, educators, and economic support systems.

**Training to increase organization capacity includes:**

- organizational capacity assessment and action planning,
- financial management,
- board development.

**Training we provide to advocates includes:**

- core advocacy,
- legal advocacy,
- economic justice/economic advocacy,
- trauma informed care/ advocacy,
- working with victims with disabilities,
- working with LGBTQ victims,
- abuse in later life,
- increasing access for underserved/ under represented communities,
- homicide prevention and development of coordinated community response.

*“Collectively, the entirety of our work  
is to build the capacity of others  
to safely serve victims  
and their children.”*

With allied organizations, WCADV regularly provides training to law enforcement, judiciary, justice systems, health systems, educators and more on the dynamics of domestic violence and the development of policies and practices to enhance the safety and well-being of victims and children.

# 2012 Financial Statement

**Expenses:**

Program Support, Training and Technical Assistance	\$2,404,694
Policy and Legislation	\$29,027
Membership	\$24,426
Total Program Services	\$2,458,147
Management and General	\$256,150
Fundraising	\$62,377
Total Supporting Activities	\$318,527

**Total Expenses**

**\$2,776,674**

**Revenue:**

Government Grants	\$2,185,834
Other Grants	\$50,827
Membership	\$22,325
Contributions/Events/Other Unrestricted Income	\$456,010
Deferred Revenue	\$100,611

**Total Revenue**

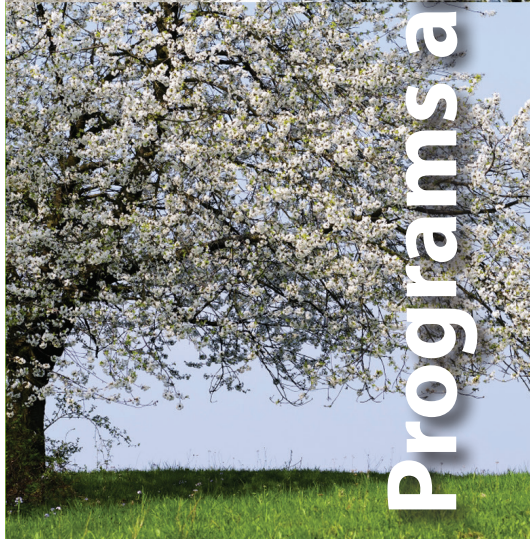
**\$2,815,607**

**Surplus/(Deficit)**

**\$38,933**







# Programs and Services

**Aging and Disabilities Program** works to help community systems and services to identify elder and vulnerable adult victims of domestic violence, to appropriately discern domestic violence from other possible causes of an elder or a person with a disability's victimization, and appropriately offer support, intervention, and referral to treat victims and perpetrators.

**Coordinated Community Response (CCR)** Program supports teams of key players in community systems, usually on a county-wide basis, to develop strategies and procedures in systems response to domestic violence and sexual assault.

**Children and Youth Program** supports local domestic violence programs to support children by offering training, technical assistance and networking opportunities for those working with youth exposed to domestic violence and/or dating violence.

**Economic Justice Program**, with support from the Allstate Foundation, supports survivors to build financial independence by addressing their unique economic needs. WCADV provides resources to local domestic violence programs to develop services that address the economic needs and challenges that survivors face.

**Domestic Violence Homicide Research & Reporting Project** works to inspire community members to get involved in efforts to prevent domestic violence.

**Homicide Prevention** supports CCRs to develop responses that aim to prevent future homicides in their communities.

**Immigration and Poverty Law Program** works to address the unique barriers facing immigrant victims and low income families.

**LGBTQ Community Outreach** promotes the social change necessary to end sexual and domestic violence in the LGBTQ community.

**Legal Program** examines the impact of the legal system on victims and provides training and technical assistance to advocates and legal professionals throughout Wisconsin.

**National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life** works to improve victim safety, increase abuser accountability, and expand coordinated community responses to abuse in later life across the nation.

**Outreach to Underserved Communities** works to improve the responsiveness of domestic violence service providers, legal and health systems, and others to the needs of people of color and other underserved communities.

**Primary Prevention** works to shift our perspective to prevent violence before it begins.

**Public Policy Advocacy** mobilizes advocates, survivors, and concerned citizens to effect policy changes that will support survivors and end domestic violence.

**RISE Law Center** provides direct legal representation to immigrant victims of domestic and sexual violence in the Southern Wisconsin area.

**Training and Education Program** conducts regional and statewide training events, web-based seminars, and customized on-site training for staff and boards of domestic violence programs.





In 2012, WCADV provided training for 431 domestic violence advocates. At the same time, WCADV staff responded to 2000+ requests from DV advocates for technical assistance in working with victims of abuse.

On September 12, 2012, 58 out of 72, or 81%, of identified local domestic violence programs in Wisconsin participated in the 2012 National Census of Domestic Violence Services. The following figures represent the information reported by the 58 participating programs about services provided during the 24-hour survey period.

## Did you know? On a single day in Wisconsin in 2012

- 1,506 victims were served
- Victims made more than 150 request for services, including emergency shelter, housing, transportation, childcare, and legal representation, that could not be provided because programs did not have the resources to offer these services.
- 796 domestic violence victims found refuge in emergency shelters or transitional housing provided by local domestic violence programs.
- 710 adults and children received non-residential assistance and services, including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups.

Current challenges exist that require that we work harder than ever to end abuse. In recent years, local service providers have faced increased demands for assistance while, at the same time, thinly stretched budgets have declined. In a depressed economy, more victims are turning to local domestic violence victim service providers at a time when programs' budgets are increasingly strained. Between 2009 and 2011, domestic violence programs statewide had a 50% increase in client contacts, primarily because they encountered cases that were more complicated, dangerous and time consuming.

We thank you for the many ways you have helped us serve victims of domestic abuse. There is much left to be done.



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