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# FVPSA Program Purpose

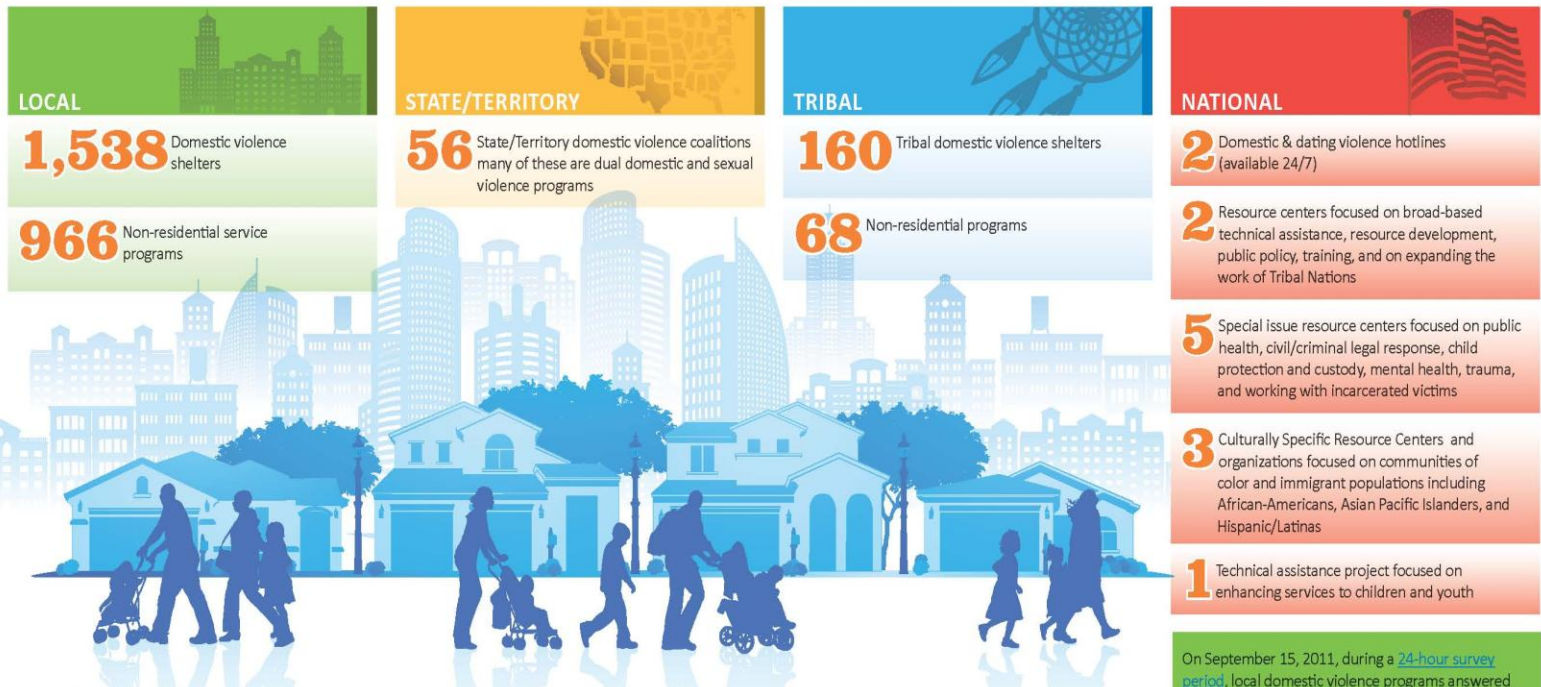
1. Provide the primary Federal funding stream dedicated to the support of emergency shelter and related assistance for victims of domestic violence and their dependents;
2. Provide for a national domestic violence hotline;
3. Assist States and Indian tribes in efforts to increase public awareness about and prevention of, family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence;

# FVPSA – Domestic Violence Services Overview

## FVPSA-Funded Domestic Violence Services Network

Throughout the U.S. domestic and dating violence support services are provided free of charge, in a confidential and private manner, 365 days of the year.

These services include immediate crisis counseling via hotlines, emergency shelter and safe housing, counseling advocacy, legal and medical assistance, and other services that make up a coordinated community response to abuse and violence in intimate relationships. Each of the national, Tribal, state, and local victim service providers work collaboratively to promote practices and strategies to improve our nation's response to domestic and dating violence to make safety and justice not just a priority, but also a reality. While not all-inclusive of all domestic violence victims' service providers, this graph reflects those service providers and organizations funded by the Family Violence Prevention and Services Program of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. (Updated April 2012)



Domestic violence hotlines are a lifeline for victims in danger, providing support, information, safety planning, discussion of options, and referrals to resources that are available in local communities. Well-trained advocates can be reached at the National Domestic Violence Hotline 24/7 by calling 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE). Peer advocates are available at the National Dating Abuse Helpline by calling 1-866-331-9474 or texting "loveis" to 77054.

On September 15, 2011, during a **24-hour survey period**, local domestic violence programs answered 21,748 calls and the National Domestic Violence Hotline answered 760 calls, averaging 16 calls every minute.

# State Domestic Violence Coalitions

- The FVPSA Program supports the 56 U.S. state and territorial coalitions against domestic violence.
- Domestic violence coalitions serve as state-wide and territory-wide leaders in the efforts to address domestic violence.
- To find your domestic violence coalition visit: VAWnet (National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women) website:  
<http://www.vawnet.org/links/state-coalitions>

# Partnering to Support Families

## FVPSA Program's Goals

- Increasing partnerships between domestic violence (DV) coalitions and home visiting agencies
- Increasing awareness of collaboration models within the DV programs and Home visiting Agencies
- Increasing the number of home visitors who are knowledgeable about DV

# Collaboration Opportunities

- Increasing collaborations between domestic violence coalitions, local domestic violence programs, and home visitation programs
- Contracting with state domestic violence coalitions or local domestic violence programs for training, technical assistance, and domestic violence screening implementation

# Collaborations Opportunities

- Establishing an MOU between domestic violence coalitions, local domestic violence programs, and home visitation programs with regards to referrals, case management, and cross training
- Featuring domestic violence and home visitation plenary sessions or workshops at regional meetings or conferences

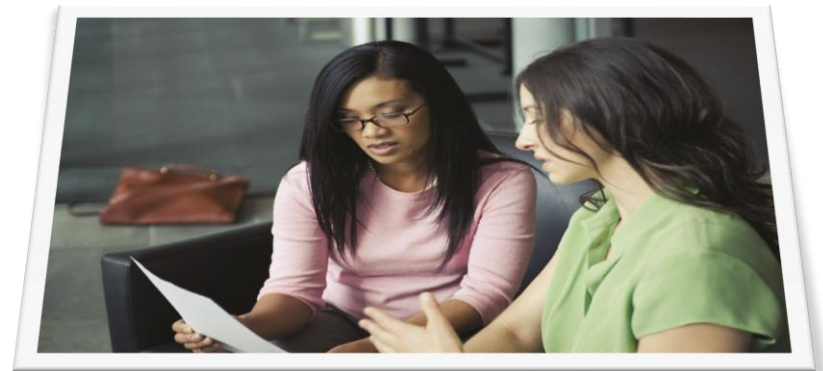
# Technical Assistance (TA) for MIECHV/MCHB Grantees

- State MIECHV grantees should contact their Regional Project Officers to request TA
- <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs/homevisiting/ta/regionalprojectofficers.html>
- Additional information about MIECHV technical assistance can be found at:
- <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs/homevisiting/ta/index.html>
- Email: [homevisitingta@hrsa.gov](mailto:homevisitingta@hrsa.gov)



# How Can the HRC help?

- Training curriculum, Patient & Provider tools
- Technical assistance
  - Webinars
  - Training opportunities
  - Policy briefs
- Partnership Builders
  - Health professionals
  - Home visitors
  - Domestic violence advocates
  - Sexual violence advocates



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# HRC's Webinar Series

- The Health Resource Center's past webinars are archived on their website, please visit:
- [http://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/section/our\\_work/health\\_webinars](http://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/section/our_work/health_webinars)