Arizona Department of Economic Security Domestic Violence Services Fund Report State Fiscal Year 2023 (A.R.S. § 36-3007)

STATE FISCAL YEAR 2023 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES FUND REPORT

This report represents data collection under the reporting system established pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 36-3007. In preparing the report, the Arizona Department of Economic Security consulted with the Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence. The reporting system provides information on the population served, the types and usage of the services provided, and the unmet needs of persons receiving services.

Based on statutory changes in 2016, the data represents the expanded use of the Domestic Violence Services Fund (DVSF) to establish a broader range of services to meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence. The services are defined as follows:

Emergency Shelter – Provides short-term housing for up to 120 days and supportive services such as case management and legal advocacy.

Transitional Housing – Provides longer-term housing for up to two years with support services such as case management and legal advocacy.

Mobile and Community Based Advocacy – Provides case management and advocacy services in a safe location for the individual. Individuals receiving this service might receive multiple services such as case management, legal advocacy and support groups, and therefore may be counted under more than one service area category.

Housing Intervention – Provides permanent stable housing and supportive services modeled after the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's Rapid Re-Housing intervention.

Hotline – Provides 24-hour access to advocacy services, information, and resources.

APPROPRIATION

The amount of \$4,000,300 was appropriated from the DVSF in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023. While the expenditure authority is \$4,000,300 for the DVSF, the SFY 2023 contracted amount of \$2.8 million was based on a combination of annual revenues and carryforward balances.

Service	Adults & Children	Unit of Service
Emergency Shelter	4,246	195,944 Bed Nights*
Transitional Housing	304	82,995 Bed Nights*
Housing Intervention	95	Households
Mobile and Community Based Advocacy	13,324	84,402 Hours
Hotline	32,264	Calls received

POPULATION and SERVICES PROVIDED

*Bed night is defined as one bed per person per night

UNMET NEEDS OF PERSONS WHO RECEIVE SERVICES

In SFY 2023 a statewide Request for Information was published asking the public to identify the primary needs of persons receiving domestic violence services. The responses indicated the need for housing, legal assistance, flexible funding to support survivor's needs.