

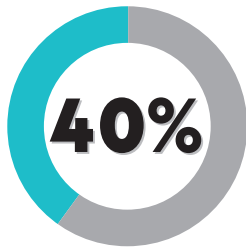
FUND HEALING & PREVENTION for Survivors of Sexual Violence

A Snapshot from the NAESV 2023 RCC Survey

NAESV's 2023 survey exposes critical challenges facing rape crisis centers: funding cuts, staff shortages, and less ability to provide essential support services

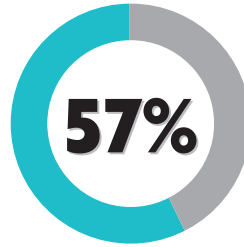
Urgent action is needed to support sexual assault survivors and address these pressing issues in advocacy and support services.

DECREASED FUNDING



OF PROGRAMS REPORT A DECREASE IN FUNDING FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION & SERVICES.

DECREASED STAFFING



OF PROGRAMS ARE EXPERIENCING A DECREASE IN STAFFING.

DECREASED CAPACITY

DECREASED CAPACITY HAS LED TO A **DECLINE** IN ESSENTIAL SERVICES* SUCH AS:

- 30%** PUBLIC AWARENESS & PREVENTION
- 26%** SUPPORT GROUPS
- 24%** COUNSELING SERVICES

* **1/3** One-third of programs report a substantial **waiting list** for essential services, most commonly for counseling & support groups.



Despite funding and staffing challenges, there's been a surge in demand for sexual assault services.

70% report an overall increase in requests for services.



We meet the needs of survivors, but we are doing it at the expense of staff (more hotline shifts, longer hours of accompaniment, increased caseloads).

-Advocate, New York



My entire life has changed in a way I didn't think possible, simply because I took the steps to get help when it was needed & had support along the way.

-Survivor at an Alaska Program