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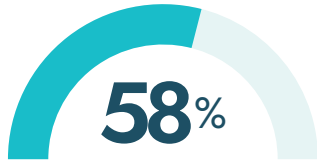
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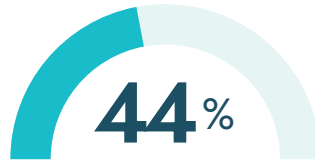
National Alliance to
End Sexual Violence

While the demand for sexual assault services and prevention is growing, funding, staffing, and capacity are shrinking. This imbalance leads to program delays, understaffing, a rise in unmet victim needs, and less safe communities.

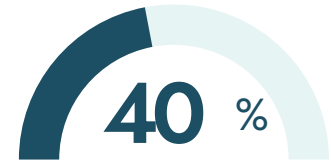
SERVICES FOR VICTIMS



of programs reported an **increase in demand** for sexual assault services



of programs reported an **increase in demand** for services for adult victims of childhood sexual abuse

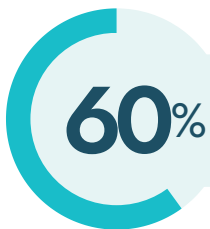


of programs faced **decreases in funding** for direct services

We are the only service provider in our region. Further cuts will grossly hamper service delivery and leave survivors without support.

Arizona Rape Crisis Center

PREVENTION EDUCATION



of programs reported an **increase in demand** for sexual assault prevention.



of programs faced **decreases in funding** for prevention.

One significant challenge we faced this year was the inability to expand our sexual assault prevention programming to rural communities due to limited funding and staff capacity. Despite a clear need for education on consent and healthy relationships in these underserved areas, we lacked the resources to deliver workshops or build partnerships with local schools and organizations.

North Carolina Rape Crisis Center

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PROGRAM CAPACITY



28%

reported a decrease
in capacity for
prevention education



27%

reported a decrease
in capacity for
counseling services



23%

reported a decrease
in outreach and
awareness



22%

reported a decrease
in support groups

Lack of prevention funds has hindered our ability to practice prevention work within underserved communities. We get a very small amount of funds for prevention, which allows us to purchase some brochures for distribution. However, we are limited in carrying out the work needed to meet the needs of these communities.

Virginia Rape Crisis Center

For the last two years, we have had to cut staff positions in order to make ends meet. Fewer staff means fewer services being provided to victims and survivors in our area.

Alaska Rape Crisis Center

STAFFING SHORTAGE

61%

of programs reported having **zero** full time staff that are mental health counselors or therapists

84%

of RCCs indicated they **need more staff** to meet the current demand for sexual assault services.*

**Most common reasons cited for staff turnover in the past year:
(1) Non-competitive salaries and (2) Not being able to offer a living wage*

We had to make staffing cuts to our outreach team. We eliminated 4 positions. It also meant we have had to re-delegate tasks to other staff members, expecting them to take on more work with no extra compensation.

Florida Rape Crisis Center

Staff salaries and positions were cut making our agency severely understaffed for the geographical location we serve.

Illinois Rape Crisis Center

HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?
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