

2023

Ohio Domestic Violence Fatalities

JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023



For the eighth year, the Ohio Domestic Violence Network has compiled the numbers from media reports of intimate-partner relationship fatalities identified by staff and member programs. The count includes targeted victims, perpetrators, and others who were present when the fatalities occurred.

112 FATALITIES IN 82 CASES

78 DECEASED VICTIMS AND
34 DECEASED PERPETRATORS
(52 FEMALE FATALITIES; 60 MALE FATALITIES)

40% OF ALL DECEASED VICTIMS WERE **PEOPLE OF COLOR**

22% OF DECEASED VICTIMS DIED FROM **STRANGULATION OR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES**



THE NUMBER OF **FAMILY ANNIHILATION CASES DOUBLED** OVER 2021

100 PEOPLE WERE SHOT IN THE 82 CASES, ONLY 15 SURVIVED THEIR INJURIES



IN **65%** OF CASES THERE WAS **PRIOR CONTACT** WITH THE **CRIMINAL OR CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEMS**

THERE WERE **13 MURDER SUICIDES, 6 MULTIPLE MURDER SUICIDES, AND 3 ATTEMPTED MURDER SUICIDES**

FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW, **NO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WERE KILLED** IN THE LINE OF DUTY BY A BATTERER

THERE WERE 3 SWAT RESPONSES, **2 OFFICERS WERE SHOT** AND A **POLICE K9 WAS STABBED**. ALL THREE SURVIVED



IN ALL 48 CASES WHERE THE PERPETRATOR SURVIVED, **ALL HAVE BEEN CRIMINALLY CHARGED**

30% OF CASES HAD **CHILDREN PRESENT AT THE SCENE** AND ONE AMBER ALERT WAS ISSUED



THE YOUNGEST VICTIM WAS A **4 MONTHS OLD**; THE OLDEST VICTIM WAS **92 YEARS OLD**

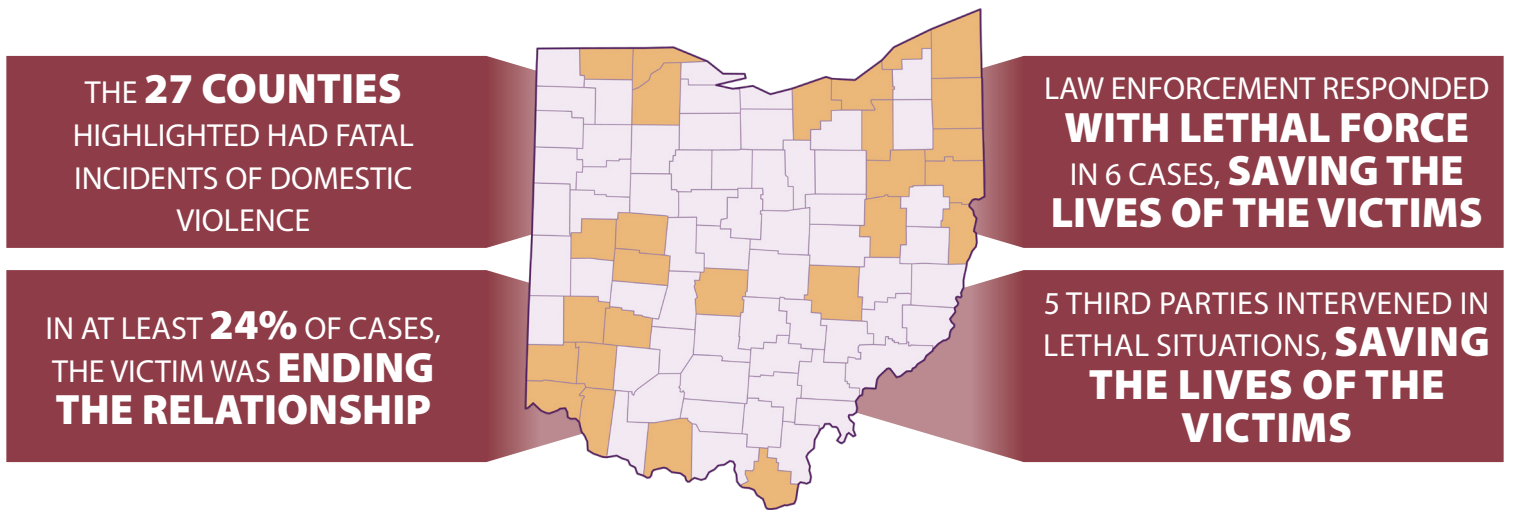
22 YOUNG PEOPLE WERE KILLED IN DV INCIDENTS THIS YEAR. 17 WERE KILLED BY PARENTS OR STEPPARENTS

Call to Action

- **52% of offenders had prior contact with the criminal justice system.** Please urge your state representative to **support HB111** which would create a presumption of jail time and your state senator to **support SB100** which would prohibit installing tracking devices.
- **17 children were killed by parents or stepparents.** Please urge your state representative to **oppose HB14** which would prohibit courts from considering family safety when deciding custody.
- **27% of cases involved murder suicide.** Please urge your state representative to **support HB231**, which would support suicide prevention efforts.



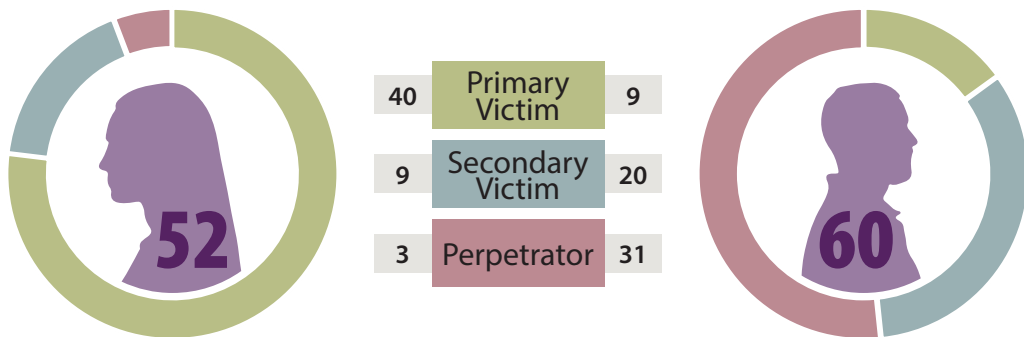
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“ She knew to call the police, she knew to report it. The problem comes when lawmakers set the guidelines for how this crime can be punished. How do we punish menacing? How do we punish stalking? How do we punish domestic violence? When you put somebody on probation—they’re out. They can still contact their victim. ”

- Sister and daughter of murder victims in Mahoning County

For the first time in the history of ODNV’s count, domestic violence-related deaths of males exceeded deaths of females.



females deceased from domestic violence

males deceased from domestic violence

ODVN Member Service Highlights 2022*

72,920
survivors served

90,751
crisis calls answered

9,886 survivors sheltered, including **4,292** children

* 2022 calendar year