



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FACT SHEET CALENDAR YEAR 2006

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During the last four years (1/1/2002 through 12/31/2005), major domestic violence felony crimes decreased by 21%.
During the last four years (1/1/2002 through 12/31/2005), family related homicides declined by 11%.

FAMILY RELATED HOMICIDES*

There were 71 family related homicides in 2006 as of 12/31/06.

- 26 victims were killed in Brooklyn.
- 22 victims were killed in the Bronx.
- 12 victims were killed in Manhattan.
- 8 victims were killed in Queens.
- 3 victims were killed in Staten Island.
- 83% of these cases had no known prior police contact.
- 94% of these cases had no current Order of Protection.

There were 68 family related homicides in 2005.

- 23 victims were killed in the Bronx.
- 19 victims were killed in Brooklyn.
- 12 victims were killed in Manhattan.
- 10 victims were killed in Queens.
- 4 victims were killed in Staten Island.
- 66% of these cases had no known prior police contact.
- 97% of these cases had no current Order of Protection.

*Data is preliminary and subject to further revision by NYPD. Family related homicide includes intimate partner homicide as well as homicide committed by other family members and includes children who were killed as a result of family violence.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EMERGENCY SHELTER*

There are 2,081 domestic violence emergency shelter beds citywide, a 35% increase since January 2002.

*Statistics provided by Human Resources Administration

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CALLS FOR ASSISTANCE*

Police responded to 221,071 domestic violence incidents in 2006; this averages to over 600 incidents per day. The **City's Domestic Violence Hotline** advocates answered 146,612 calls in 2006; over 400 calls were answered per day. 124,515 calls were answered in 2005; over 340 calls were answered per day.

* Statistics provided by NYPD and Safe Horizon

TEEN ABUSE*

9,462 teen calls were received during 2006.

12,645 teen calls were received by the City Domestic Violence Hotline in 2005, and 18,282 were received in 2004.

* Statistics provided by Safe Horizon

PROJECT H.E.A.L. (Hospital Emergency Assistance Link)

More than 2,200 patients disclosed domestic violence and spoke to social workers in 2006.

Domestic Violence Coordinators at all 11 City public hospitals are available to assist victims and connect them with social services and legal assistance with housing, immigration and family law issues.

Digital cameras are available to document injuries.

Victims can complete a petition for a Family Court Order of Protection before leaving the hospital.

FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

Since opening in July 2005 through December 2006, the Brooklyn Family Justice Center served 5,230 victims of domestic violence and 1,217 children were supervised in the FJC children's room. The FJC has launched new initiatives to serve elderly domestic violence victims and children exposed to domestic violence.

If you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship, call NYC's 24-hour Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-621-HOPE(4673) TTY: 1-800-810-7444 or 3-1-1 for general City services information.

Callers can receive immediate assistance including crisis counseling, safety planning and referrals.