



## West Virginia State Report

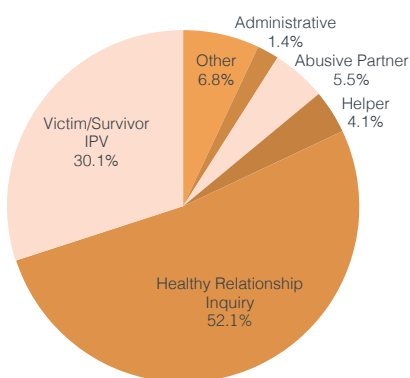
Based on loveisrespect contacts documented Jan.–Dec. 2016

In 2016, loveisrespect documented **73 contacts\*** from West Virginia. The state ranks 40th in terms of contact volume. Loveisrespect provides crisis intervention, safety planning, referrals and DV and healthy relationship education for these contacts.

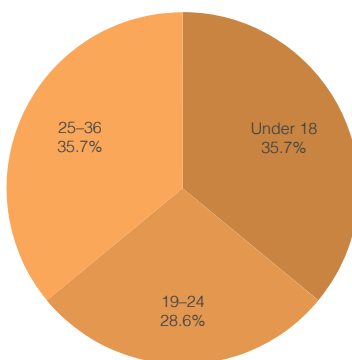
*\*Contacts documented refers to the calls, online chats or texts where a location was self-disclosed by the contact.*

Phone	35
Chat	27
Text	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>

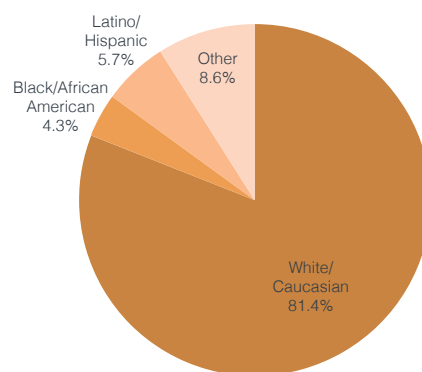
### Who is contacting loveisrespect from West Virginia?



Contact Type



Victim Age



Contact Ethnicity

#### Contact Type Definitions:

Victim/Survivor: IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) – a victim or survivor of abuse from his/her partner or spouse

Victim/Survivor: Non-IPV – a victim or survivor of abuse by anyone else: parent, sibling, caregiver, etc.

Helper – a caller reaching out to help another including: family/friend, service provider, law enforcement, medical/health, religious leader/program or teacher

Healthy Relationship Inquiry – anyone with questions about healthy relationships, where no abuse is present

Administrative – someone seeking basic information, rather than advocacy

Abusive Partner – a caller who identifies as abusive or who an Advocate believes to be an abusive partner

Other – any caller about whom an Advocate is able to gather info, but who does not fit into an above category; this includes off target callers, non-DV calls, hang-ups, prank calls and feedback

#### Top 10 Cities in Contact Volume

1. Fayetteville	23%
2. Charleston	19%
3. Huntington	15%
4. Morgantown	8%
5. Fairmont	6%
6. Martinsburg	4%
7. Clarksburg	4%
8. Grafton	4%
9. Parkersburg	4%
10. War	4%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>92%</b>

The National Domestic Violence Hotline is a 501c3 organization that relies on generous contributions from the public, government and corporations to continue operation.

**chat** at [loveisrespect.org](https://loveisrespect.org) | **text** love to 22522 | **call** 1.866.331.9474

## What are victims experiencing?

**83%**

### Emotional/Verbal Abuse

*degradation, threats, insults, humiliation, isolation, etc.*

**58%**

### Physical Abuse

*hitting, biting, choking, etc.*

**8%**

### Sexual Abuse

*rape, exploitation, coercion, etc.*

**33%**

### Economic/Financial Abuse

*control finances, ruin credit, etc.*

**17%**

### Digital Abuse

*steal passwords, constant texts, etc.*



Referrals to Service Providers

**77**

Offers to Direct Connect

**8**

Referrals to Other Resources

**28**

## Top Resource Referrals

Scarleteen

Womenslaw.org

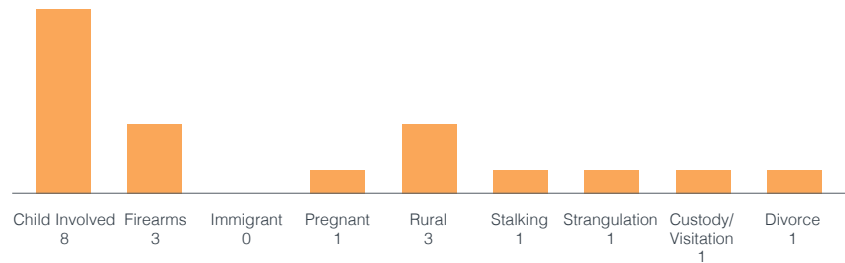
GoodTherapy.org

Your Life Your Voice (Boys Town)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

*This report reflects only data that was self-disclosed by the contact and does not necessarily represent every contact from the state.*

## Most Commonly Disclosed Special Factors in Victims' Experiences



## What do victims need?

DV Shelter	4	18%
Legal Advocacy	4	18%
Individual Professional Counseling	6	27%
DV Support Groups	2	9%
Legal Representation	1	5%
Protective Orders	1	5%

## loveisrespect.org

*loveisrespect.org is a comprehensive online resource for teens and young adults affected by dating abuse.*

Visits Jan.–Dec. 2016:

**6,903**

New Visitors Jan.–Dec. 2016:

**5,652**

*(82% of total visits were new)*

## Most Viewed Pages on loveisrespect.org in 2016

Is My Relationship Healthy? Quiz

Types of Abuse

Healthy Relationships

Am I a Good Partner? Quiz

How Can We Communicate Better?

Building Trust After Cheating

When Your Family Doesn't Approve of Your Partner

Dating Abuse Statistics

Why Do People Stay in Abusive Relationships?

What Should I Look For in a Partner?

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