Statistics are not just numbers. They tell us the story of lives impacted by domestic and sexual violence.

In every year that records have been kept, South Carolina ranks in the top ten states in the nation in the rate of women killed by men. Our state’s female homicide victimization rate has often been double the national average. (Violence Policy Center)

Firearms, particularly handguns are the weapons of choice. Over 60% of these victims were killed with guns. The presence of a firearm in a domestic violence incident increases the risk of the woman being killed by 500%. (* J.C. Campbell, D.W. Webster, J. Koziol-McLain, et al., “Risk factors for femicide within physically abusive intimate relationships: results from a multi-site case control study,” 93 Amer. J. of Public Health 1089-1097 (2003).

In 2017, over 9,167 direct and secondary victims accessed services at one of 15 Rape Crisis Centers in South Carolina. (DHEC)

There were 20,088 crisis hotline calls made to domestic violence organizations in FY 2016-17. These 13 organizations provided emergency shelter to 5,493 adults and children fleeing violence in their homes.

What does SCCADVASA do?

Training, Education and Technical Assistance
We can provide education and technical assistance in the following areas:
Domestic violence, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Child Abuse, Stalking, Primary Prevention Strategies, Community Collaborations and Task Forces, Trauma-informed care, Offender accountability, Human Trafficking, Prison Rape Elimination Act, Access to services for marginalized and underserved communities, Campus Prevention and Intervention initiatives, Intersectionality and victimization experiences.

Systems Advocacy
Working to improve the responsiveness of systems (e.g., Law Enforcement, Social Services) to the needs of survivors.

Public Policy Advocacy
Policy research and development to support legislative advocacy at the state and federal levels.
SCCADVASA is a statewide coalition made up of the twenty-three community organizations providing direct services and advocacy to victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence. Our mission is to end domestic and sexual violence in South Carolina by raising the voices of survivors to inform positive changes in public policy, advocating for social change that will transform our communities into safer places for everyone, and building the capacity of our member programs, allied organizations and communities across the state.

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS, COUNTIES SERVED, AND HOTLINE NUMBERS

Beyond Abuse (SA)
Hotline Phone: 888-297-4546
Counties Served: Greenwood, Laurens, Abbeville

CASA/Family Systems (DV/SA)
Hotline Phone: 800-298-7228, 803-531-6211
Counties Served: Orangeburg, Calhoun, Bamberg

Cumbee Center to Assist Abused Persons (DV/SA)
Hotline Phone: 803-649-0480 (will accept collect calls)
Counties Served: (SA)-Edgefield, Saluda, McCormick, Aiken, Barnwell, Allendale
(DV)-Aiken, Barnwell, Allendale

Family Justice Center (DV)
Hotline Phone: 844-208-0161
Counties Served: Georgetown, Horry

Family Resource Center (SA)
Hotline Phone: 800-585-4455
Counties Served: Kershaw, Lee

Foothills Alliance Center (SA)
Hotline Phone: 800-585-8952
Counties Served: Anderson, Oconee

Hopeful Horizons (DV/SA)
Hotline Phone: 800-868-2632
Counties served: Allendale, Beaufort, Hampton, Colleton, Jasper

Julie Valentine Center (Greenville Rape Crisis) (SA)
Hotline Phone: 864-467-3633
Counties Served: Greenville

Laurens County SAFE Home (DV)
Hotline Phone: 866-598-5932
Counties Served: Laurens, Saluda, Abbeville

MEG’s House (DV)
Hotline Phone: 888-847-3915
Counties Served: McCormick, Edgefield, Greenwood

My Sister’s House, Inc. (DV)
Hotline Phone: 800-273-4673 and 843-744-3242
Counties Served: Charleston, Berkeley, Dorchester

Palmetto CASA (SA)
Hotline Phone: 888-790-8532 and 888-790-8537
Counties Served: Lancaster, Chester, Fairfax

Pee Dee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Assault (DV/SA)
Hotline Phone: 800-273-1820 and 843-669-4600
Counties Served: Florence, Darlington, Marion, Chesterfield, Marlboro, Dillon, Williamsburg

People Against Rape (SA)
Hotline Phone: 843-745-0144
Counties Served: Charleston, Berkeley, Dorchester

Pickens County Advocacy Center (SA)
Hotline Phone: 864-442-5500
Counties Served: Pickens

The Rape Crisis Center (SA)
Hotline Phone: 843-448-RAPE (7273)
Counties Served: Horry, Georgetown

Safe Harbor, Inc. (DV)
Hotline Phone: 800-291-2139
Counties Served: Greenville, Oconee, Pickens, Anderson

SAFE Homes- Rape Crisis Coalition (DV/SA)
Hotline Phone: 800-273-5066
Counties Served: Spartanburg, Cherokee, Union

Safe Passage, Inc. (DV/SA)
Hotline Phone: 800-659-0977
Counties Served: (DV)-York, Chester, Lancaster
(SA)-Union

Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands (SA)
Hotline Phone: 800-491-RAPE (7273) and 803-771-7273
Counties Served: Richland, Lexington, Newberry, Sumter, Clarendon

Sistercare, Inc. (DV)
Hotline Phone: 803-765-9428 and 800-637-7606
Counties Served: Richland, Lexington, Newberry, Fairfield, Kershaw

YWCA of the Upper Lowlands, Inc. (DV)
Hotline Phone: 877-268-9922 and 803-775-2763
Counties Served: Sumter, Clarendon, Lee, Kershaw

*DV: Domestic Violence, SA: Sexual Abuse