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# 10 REASONS

THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT SHOULD BE FULLY FUNDED

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RANK OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AMONG CAUSES OF HOMELESSNESS IN 44 PERCENT OF CITIES SURVEYED:

1

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FACTOR BY WHICH CHILDREN OF AN ABUSED PARENT ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE ABUSED THEMSELVES:

2

PERCENTAGE OF ALL DOMESTIC ABUSE VICTIMS WHO ARE MEN:

15

PERCENTAGE OF MOTHERS UNDER 18 WHO EXPERIENCE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF THEIR CHILD'S BIRTH:

26

PERCENTAGE OF WOMEN TREATED IN EMERGENCY ROOMS FOR VIOLENT INJURIES WHO WERE HURT BY A CURRENT OR FORMER PARTNER:

37

PERCENTAGE OF WOMEN MURDERED BY AN INTIMATE PARTNER WHO VISITED AN EMERGENCY ROOM IN THE TWO YEARS PRIOR TO THEIR DEATHS:

44

NUMBER OF WOMEN KILLED BY DOMESTIC PARTNERS EACH YEAR:

1,200

NUMBER OF CALLS TO THE NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE SINCE 1996:

1,000,000

AMOUNT BY WHICH FEDERAL FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION SERVICES PROGRAMS WERE UNDER FUNDED IN 2005:

\$48,000,000

ANNUAL HEALTH-RELATED COSTS, LOST PRODUCTIVITY COSTS, AND LOST EARNINGS DUE TO INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE :

\$5,900,000,000

WANT MORE REASONS TO FULLY FUND THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT?

Go to [www.MotherJones.com/domesticviolence](http://www.MotherJones.com/domesticviolence) and read more about women, domestic violence and the courts. Or pick up a copy of the July/August issue of *Mother Jones* on the newsstand.

READY TO TAKE ACTION?

Congress needs to act by September 30th. Call your Members of Congress to express your thoughts on reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act. Go to <http://endabuse.org/vawa/> to get started.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT?

Check out these organizations for information, resources, and links:

Family Violence Prevention Fund: [www.EndAbuse.org](http://www.EndAbuse.org)

National Task Force to End Sexual and Domestic Violence Against Women: [www.vawazoo5.org](http://www.vawazoo5.org)

National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233): [www.ndvh.org](http://www.ndvh.org)

National Network to End Domestic Violence: [www.nnedv.org](http://www.nnedv.org)

Xy: men, masculinities and gender politics: [www.xyonline.net](http://www.xyonline.net)

Womenslaw legal information for battered women: [www.womenslaw.org](http://www.womenslaw.org)

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