



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
**FATALITY
REPORT
2022**





DEDICATION

This report is dedicated to those whose lives were ended as a result of domestic violence.



REPORT OVERVIEW

In 2022, The Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence documented 101 known domestic violence-related fatalities across Arizona. These incidents were identified using an online media monitoring service that uses topical keywords related to domestic violence to produce articles from around the state. While this method of data collection generates a fairly comprehensive list of domestic violence-related fatalities, this list should not be considered exhaustive. The data contained in this report is limited, as it captures only those fatalities reported in online media publications. If your friend or family member is not listed, please contact us to add their name.

Arizona consistently ranks among the top states with the highest homicide rates of women murdered by men. In fact, between 2009 and 2022, there were 1,459 domestic violence related deaths. These tragedies represent a small fraction of the violence that occurs within intimate and family relationships and reminds us of the potential for lethality in relationships where domestic violence is present. It is critical that survivors are heard and supported in accessing safety and healing.



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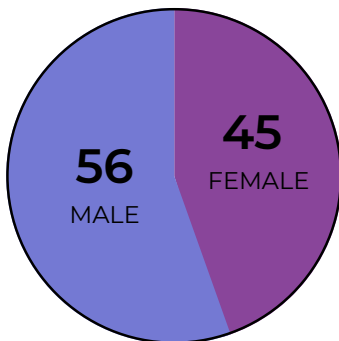


2022 DEATHS

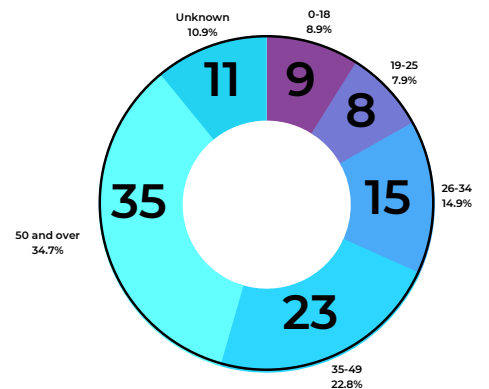
TOTAL VICTIMS

101

VICTIMS BY GENDER



VICTIMS BY AGE

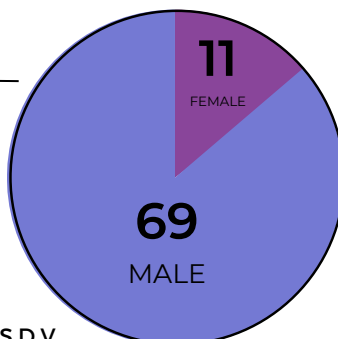


PERPETRATOR DATA

PERPETRATORS BY GENDER

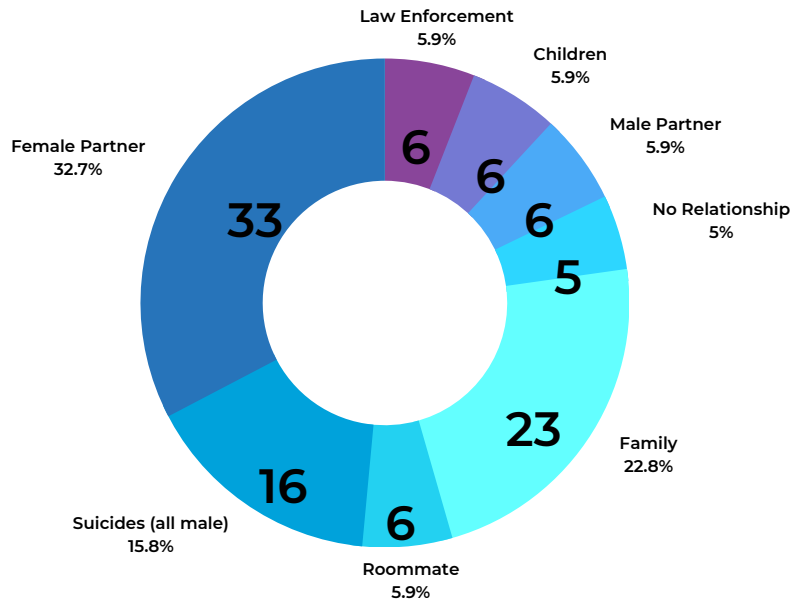
TOTAL PERPETRATORS

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- Female perpetrators killed 1 child, 6 male partners, and 4 family members
- Male perpetrators killed 5 children, 5 bystanders, 19 family members, 6 roommates, 1 unknown relationship, and 33 intimate partners

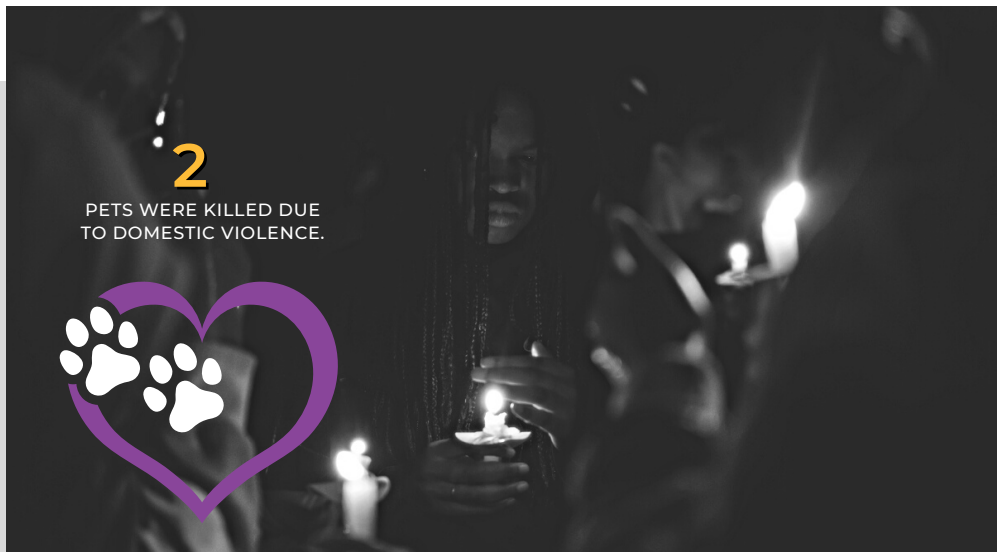
RELATIONSHIPS



- Of the 6 homicides of a male partner by a female, 4 stated it was in self defense due to prior harm.
- Of the 33 homicides of a female partner by a male partner, 2 claimed self defense which was later refuted by evidence.
- 9 of the 36 Intimate Partner Homicides (23%) had known prior reports of abuse or orders of protection in place.
- 7 events involved the perpetrator killing more than one person, excluding the 16 murder-suicides

50
FEMALE VICTIMS

26
MALE VICTIMS
(EXCLUDING POLICE SHOOTINGS AND SUICIDE)

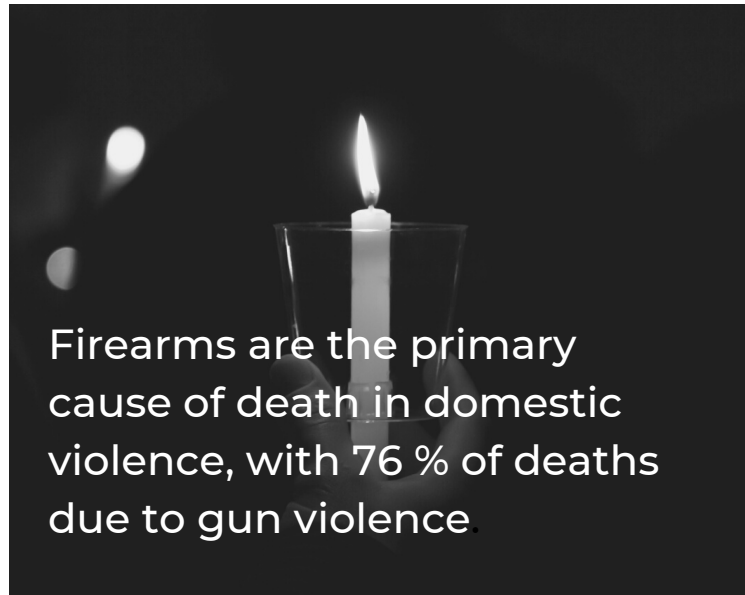
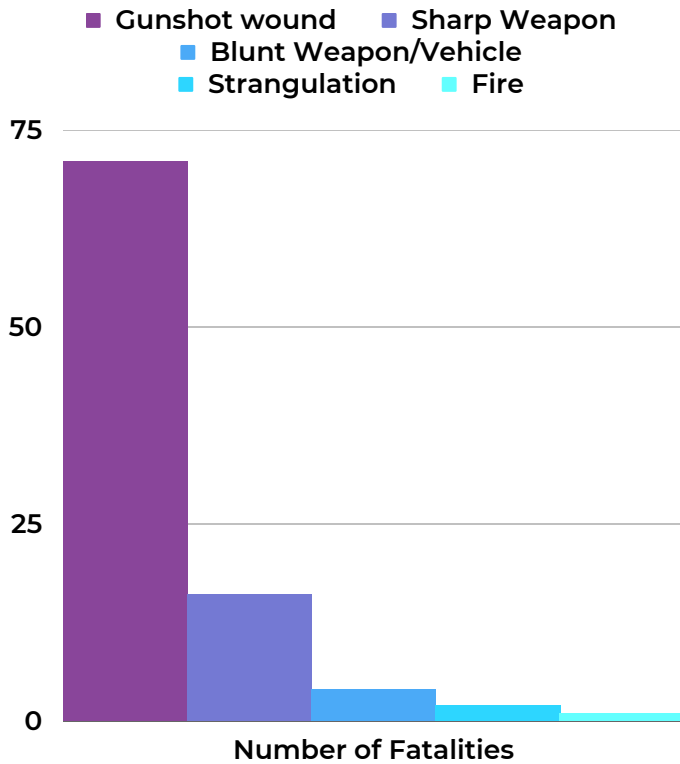


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PETS WERE KILLED DUE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

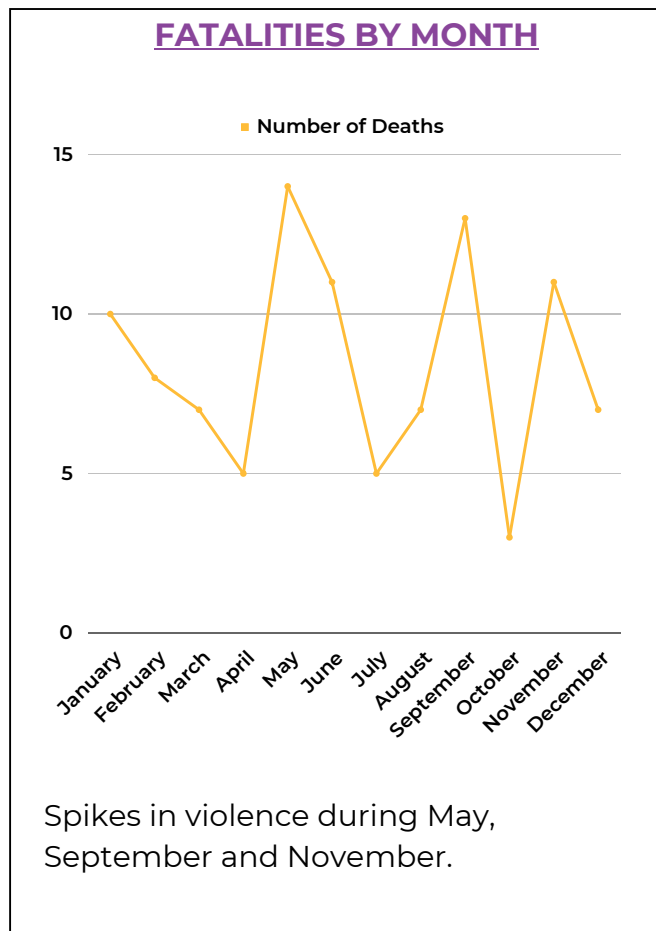


METHODS



Firearms are the primary cause of death in domestic violence, with 76 % of deaths due to gun violence.

IRENE'S STORY

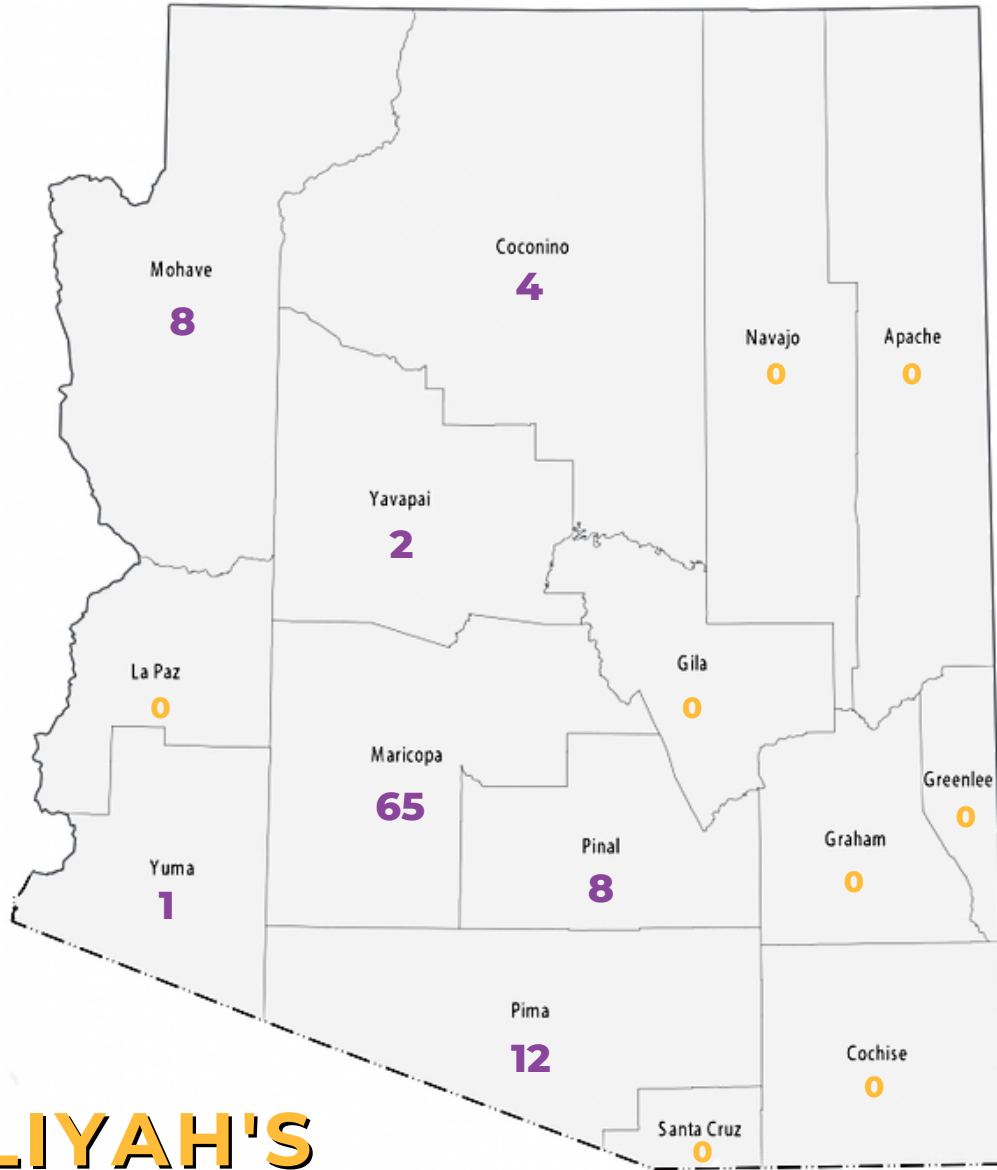


Irene Luevano was 37 years old, a mother of six children, and a recent grandmother. She was loved by her family, with her mother saying, " I have her in my heart and I'll always be praying for her."

Irene, a victim of domestic violence, was stabbed in the neck by her boyfriend early in the morning in January of 2022. She called her family for help and asked them to contact the police. Her family attempted to call her back but could not reach her. After several days, Irene's body was found in the desert in Western Arizona, with multiple stab wounds. Her family is left heartbroken, with her children, her mother and her siblings all suffering the loss. Irene's family member said that "She means the world to me... she's my other half. We've been through a lot." Irene's family honors her memory with a memorial of candles and pictures in place at her Phoenix home.

TOTAL NUMBER OF VICTIMS BY COUNTY

In 2022, **101 victims** were killed due to domestic violence in Arizona.



There are consistent rates of homicide throughout Arizona relative to population, with exception of Mohave county.

TALIYAH'S STORY

Taliyah Kizsee, called TeeTee by friends and family, was only 20 years old and the youngest of six siblings. She made the decision to leave her boyfriend because he was controlling and physically abusive.

Her ex-boyfriend, in searching for Taliyah after their breakup, threatened to shoot three of Taliyah's family members and forced a family friend into a car, threatening to kill the friend and made them drive around to find Taliyah. Taliyah was shot and killed by her boyfriend in November of 2022, a victim of domestic violence and gun violence.

Social media left after her death paints a portrait of a beautiful, charismatic young woman remembered as kind and funny by family and friends.

NATHANIEL'S STORY

Nathaniel Yardley Jr. was from White River, Arizona and was 29 years old. He was from a large family with seven sisters and a brother. He was a father to two boys, and had many cousins, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends. He was taken from his family by domestic violence. In August 2022, Nathaniel was stabbed by his girlfriend in Glendale multiple times with a kitchen knife. He later passed away at the hospital. His girlfriend was on probation for prior domestic violence assaults.

HONORING VICTIMS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN ARIZONA (2022)

Howard Ocskai
Aloria Bingham
Christopher Hudgens
Fay Hudgens
Gwen Hudgens
Jane Doe, Scottsdale
Chaskah Davis Smith
Abdul Cooper
Jerry Sueing
Luis Rene Duarte
John Doe, Phoenix
Nathaniel Richard Yardley
Wallace Robinson
Mike Ohure
Ian Stutterheim
Hector Antillon Acosta
John Doe, Phoenix
Eric Sands
Trisha Lynn Wallin
Kenneth Baese
Mathew Lujan
Peter McKenna Jr.
Antonio Vargas Granados
Cory Little
Irene Lujan
John Doe, Avondale
Richard Wilson
Deborah Williams
Ellen Otterman
Lewis Lujan
Mary Ainuu
Patricia Easter
Peggy Hatmaker
Renaya White
Rudy Wilson
Eileen Baese
Michael Kinney
Delbert McBride
Denzell Williams

Jesus Lopez
Baby Boy Doe, Navajo Nation
Everett Yates
John Doe, Navajo Nation
Raeanna Hailey Ferguson
Terrance Cameron
Amy Jo Schulte
Amy Malobicky
Anthony Hood-Schaffner
Colleen Hoopes
Danica Aiken
Ema Maldonado
Emma Maria Destiny Dominguez
Irene Luevano
Jamie Bryant
Jessica Garcia
Julieta Marin Amador
Karee Pauline Rowell
Linda Butler
Maria Guadalupe Godinez Ramirez
Marie Tachell
Marla Jordan Hudgens
Mary Ousley
Megan Rae Jean Hannah
Melanie Dixon
Michelle Bock-Caswell
Sophia Teng
John Doe, Phoenix
Jane Doe, Mesa
Jane Doe, Phoenix
Racal Monique Ramos
Rakim Durham
Shatifah Lobley
Skylar Hughes
Susan Kay Potts
Taliyah Kizzee
Tasha Deann Childress
Timeki Regina Myers
Traci Thurman

LOCAL PROGRAMS

Arizona has a statewide network of local domestic violence programs that are ready to help. Arizonasurvivors.org for more information.

Apache

ADABI (AmaDoo Alchini Bighan)
New Hope Ranch
Eve's Place

Cochise

Chiricahua Community Health Centers
Cochise Family Advocacy Center
Forgach House
House of Hope

Coconino

Childhelp Mobile Advocacy Center of Northern Arizona (children only)
Northern Arizona Care and Services After Assault (NACASA)
North Country HealthCare Clinics
Northland Family Help Center
Victim Witness Services for Northern Arizona

Gila

Childhelp – Gila Children's Mobile Advocacy Center
Gila SafeHaven Domestic Violence Safe Home + Alderman House
San Carlos Apache Healthcare Corporation Social Services
Time Out, Inc.

Graham

Mt. Graham SafeHouse

La Paz

Colorado River Regional Crisis Services
Eve's Place

Maricopa

Agnes' Center for Domestic Solutions
A New Leaf – Autumn House
A New Leaf– Faith House
Area Agency on Aging, Region One DOVES
Arizona South Asians for Safe Families
BLOOM365
CARE7
Catholic Charities – My Sister's Place
Catholic Charities – Pathways
Chandler Family Advocacy Center
Chicanos Por La Causa –De Colores
Chrysalis
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation Domestic Violence Program
Glendale Family Advocacy Center
Jewish Family and Children's Services, Shelter Without Walls
La Frontera EMPACT
Mesa Family Advocacy Center
New Life Center
Phoenix Family Advocacy Center
Punjabi Seva
Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Family Advocacy Center
Scottsdale Family Advocacy Center
Sojourner Center
Southwest Family Advocacy Center
Winged Hope– Family Advocacy Foundation

Mohave

Faith and Grace, Inc.
HAVEN FamilyResource Center
Kingman Aid to Abused People
Child and Family Advocacy Center
North CountryHealthcare Clinics
Westcare Safe House
Tohdenasshai Committee Against Family Abuse

Navajo

Alice's Place
Eve's Place
Hopi Domestic Violence Program
Navajo County Show Low Family Advocacy Center
North Country Healthcare Clinics
White Mountain Safe House
Tohdenasshai Committee Against Family Abuse

ACESDV LOCAL PROGRAMS CONT'D

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Pima

Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse
Hands of a Friend – Genesis House
Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) Anti-Violence Project
Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault
Southern Arizona Children’s Advocacy Center (children only)

Pinal

Against Abuse, Inc.
City of Maricopa Family Advocacy Center
Community Alliance Against Family Abuse (CAAFA)
La Frontera EMPACT
On Eagle’s Wings – Gila River
Pinal County Attorney Family Advocacy Center

Santa Cruz

Domestic Violence Advocacy Program
Nuestra Casa – Our House

Yavapai

Stepping Stones
Verde Valley Sanctuary
Yavapai Family Advocacy Center

Yuma

Amberly’s Place
Safe House Shelter



Visit [Arizonasurvivors.org](https://arizonasurvivors.org) to find local programs by location and services offered.

The 24-Hr National Domestic Violence Hotline (800) 799-SAFE (7233) or (800) 787-3224 (TTY)

24-Hr National Sexual Assault Hotline (800) 656-HOPE (4673)

The Arizona Sexual and Domestic Violence Helpline
Available Monday – Friday, 8:30a – 5:00p with extended hours on Tuesday 8:30a – 7:00p
(602) 279-2980 | (800) 782-6400 | Arizona Relay Service 7-1-1 | SMS Text: (520) 720-3383

National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline (888) 373-7888 or text BeFree (233733)

