Global Data Count

# Introduction

The Global Network of Women’s Shelters was formed in 2008. Its international membership is a united body, speaking with one voice, with the common purpose to support and strengthen the women’s shelter network, and to advocate for the creation and implementation of social policy and social values that will end violence and oppression against women and their children. The annual Global Count is conducted with the support of networks around the globe to shine a spotlight on the issue of violence against women. It captures experiences of a single day for women and children seeking shelter from gender-based violence and the workers and organizations who offer that shelter. It is one of many collaborative efforts the Global Network has undertaken to advocate for comprehensive and systemic action by our governments, international bodies and local communities to end gender-based violence.In your region shelters may more commonly be known as refuges, transition houses, or interval homes.

Not all countries have women’s shelters but do have women’s organizations that are working hard to create safe places for women. We welcome your participation as well. If this is the case, then simply fill out the questionnaire as it relates to your agency, even though the word “shelter” is used.

# Consent

I agree to participate in the Global Shelter Data Count with the understanding that: a) this information will be reported on a country/region basis only;b) my individual shelter name and information will not be disclosed; andc) the information will be compiled by the Alberta Council of Women’s Shelters on behalf of the Global Network of Women’s Shelters to be used for public awareness purposes.

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |

I also agree to share my individual shelter data count information with my regional/national network(s) for public awareness purposes with the understanding that individual shelter data will not be publicly disclosed.

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |

# I. Background Information

# Organization/Agency Name:

# Name of contact person completing this form:

# Position:

# Town or City:

# Country:

# Phone:

# Email:

# 1. Are you reporting the results for more than one shelter?

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |

# 1a. How many shelters are you reporting the results for?

# 2. Are you part of a shelter network?

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |

# 2a. What is the name or names of the national shelter network(s) that you belong to?

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|  | Canadian Network of Women's Shelters and Transition Houses, Canada |
|  | Swedish Association of Women's Shelters, Sweden |
|  | National Network to End Domestic Violence, USA |
|  | Naamat, Israel |
|  | Rwanda Women's Network, Rwanda |
|  | Saathi, Nepal |
|  | Women Protection Project, Pakistan |
|  | Women's Right Centre NGO, Armenia |
|  | Mexico Red de Refugios, Mexico |
|  | WAVE, Austria |
|  | Women's Network Against Violence, Italy |
|  | Other, please specify... \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

# 2b. What is the name or names of the provincial/regional shelter network(s) that you belong to?:

# 3. My organization is: (Please check one only):

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|  | A women’s shelter organization |
|  | A shelter network |
|  | A co-ordinating body that includes women’s shelter services |
|  | An organization that provides safe spaces for women in other ways |
|  | An informal network providing services in our community |
|  | A counselling service |
|  | An organization that shelters the perpetrator (with victim remaining in the home) |
|  | A sexual violence service |
|  | Other, please specify... \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

# 4. Our organization is:

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|  | A women led non-governmental agency |
|  | A non-governmental agency |
|  | Government run |
|  | A volunteer agency |
|  | A foundation |
|  | A private organization |
|  | Other, please specify... \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

# 5. What was the day you chose for your count (e.g., May 25th, 2015) . Note that the count is for 1 day only. Please do not report your full year’s statistics.

\_\_\_\_/\_\_/\_\_ (YYYY/MM/DD)

# II. Data Count Questions

# 1) Number of women helped today (#) :

This number includes all women you helped (those who participated in groups, visited or stayed at your shelter, received on line or telephone counseling, etc.)

# 2. Of the women helped today, how many were pregnant? (#) :

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|  | Number of pregant women: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | Don't know the data |
|  | Don't collect the data |

# 3. Number of children helped today (#) :

This number includes all the children you helped (those who participated in groups, visited or stayed at your shelter, received specialized support from your shelter, etc.)

# 4) Number of women turned away from your shelter today due to lack of resources (money, staff, space etc) (#):

# 5.Number of children turned away from your shelter today due to lack of resources (money, staff, space etc) (#):

# 6. What is your main source of funding? (Check your major source of funds only):

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|  | Government |
|  | Foundations/Philanthropy |
|  | Fundraising events |
|  | Volunteers |
|  | Volunteer run |
|  | Private sector |
|  | International aid |
|  | Individual donors |
|  | Other, please specify... \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

# 7. Do you offer specialized services to marginalized women?

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |

# 7a. If yes, in the past year did you provide services to (check all that apply):

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|  | Ethnic minority and/or "racial" minority women |
|  | Women subject to immigration control |
|  | Indigenous/Aboriginal women |
|  | Women involved in prostitution |
|  | Trafficked women |
|  | Incarcerated women |
|  | Lesbian/Bisexual |
|  | Transgender/transsexual women |
|  | Women with disabilities |
|  | Specialized services for women in or from high conflict areas |
|  | Young women |
|  | Older women |
|  | Women who present with significant mental health issues |
|  | Women who use drugs and alcohol problematically |
|  | Women in rural and remote locations |
|  | Women with HIV/AIDS |
|  | Women victimized in the name of “honor” |
|  | o Girls and / or women at risk of / fleeing forced marriage |
|  | Other, please specify... \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

# 8. What are the three major challenge(s) shelters face in your country:

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|  | Lack of government funding |
|  | Tendering or commissioning of shelter services |
|  | No national violence against women policy |
|  | No national women’s shelter policy |
|  | Poor legislation |
|  | Good legislation but poorly implemented |
|  | Justice system is slow to respond |
|  | Lack of inter-institutional agreements/collaboration |
|  | Lack of financial security |
|  | Lack of physical security |
|  | Hard to find trained staff |
|  | Low wages for staff |
|  | Run by volunteers |
|  | Not enough shelters in our area |
|  | Uneven distribution of shelters across the country |
|  | Security Threats |
|  | High conflict area |
|  | War/Conflict/humanitarian zone |
|  | There are no shelters |
|  | Gaps in services and supports for marginalized women |
|  | Mainstreaming of services, e.g., loss of women specific services |
|  | Cultural and religious barriers |
|  | Lack of training for staff working with specialized populations |
|  | Political persecution |
|  | Lack of supports when women leave shelter |
|  | Other, please specify... \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

# 9. Have any shelters in your country had to close down in the last year?

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |
|  | Don't know |

# 9a. How many shelters had to close down?:

# 9b. Please give reasons why shelters had to close:

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| --- | --- |
|  | Lack of government funding |
|  | Political instability |
|  | Change in government policy or direction |
|  | Government now places priority on men’s shelters and services |
|  | In a high conflict/war zone |
|  | Natural Disaster |
|  | Changes in shelter policy |
|  | Poorly managed |
|  | Other, please specify... \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

# 10. Can you tell us about significant achievement(s) or event(s) that happened in your country in the last twelve months:

# 11. Comments from women, children and seniors who have used your shelter services today. (The role the shelter played in helping them, the challenges they are facing, the needs they have, their experiences that brought them to shelter):

# 12. Comments from staff about their experiences in helping women children and seniors today?:

# 13. Can you share an approach, program, initiative that has worked well in your shelter or as part of your work to end violence against women?

# Thank you for your participation. The data count will be released at the 3rd World Conference of Women’s Shelters in The Hague, November 3-6, 2015.