

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

CYFD provided the following:

CYFD-funded domestic violence service providers help more than 10,500 residents affected each year by domestic violence, including survivors, perpetrators, and their children. CYFD works with non-profit and governmental organizations throughout the state to provide shelter and support services to families and individuals in need.

This appropriation would help stabilize and enhance domestic violence survivor support services through increases to the salary and benefits of advocates; by helping domestic violence programs to hire and retain skilled supervisors and administrators; and through the enhancement of survivor services. Survivor service enhancements include the development of alternate safe shelter that reduces risk of congregate settings (such as the current pandemic), expansion of child-focused services, flexible direct support to survivors that meets their immediate needs, enhancement of counselling and case management services, and community outreach and education to build domestic violence-informed systems.

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