

**Office on Violence Against Women
Discretionary Grants
Technical Assistance Program
Report Period: January 1-June 30, 2008**

The purpose of the Technical Assistance Program is to provide OVW grantees and others in the field with the training, expertise, and problem-solving strategies they need to meet the challenges of addressing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

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| Total number of projects reporting | 98 |
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Type of Lead Organization:

| Type of lead organization providing technical assistance | Number of projects |
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| Advocacy organization (26% of all projects reporting) | 25 |
| Training organization (21%) | 21 |
| Membership or professional organization (13%) | 13 |
| State/Tribal/Territory Coalition (12%) | 12 |
| University/college (7%) | 7 |
| Victim services (6%) | 6 |
| Policy/research institute (3%) | 3 |

Areas addressed by Technical Assistance projects:

| Area | Number of projects | Area | Number of projects |
|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Domestic violence | 83 | Stalking | 48 |
| Sexual assault | 69 | Law enforcement | 44 |
| Underserved population | 55 | Courts | 37 |
| Criminal/civil justice | 49 | Tribal issues | 27 |
| Dating violence | 49 | Probation | 20 |

Staff: Technical Assistance Program staff provides training, consultation, and information to service providers about responding to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Total number of projects using funds for staff: **95** (97% of all projects reporting)

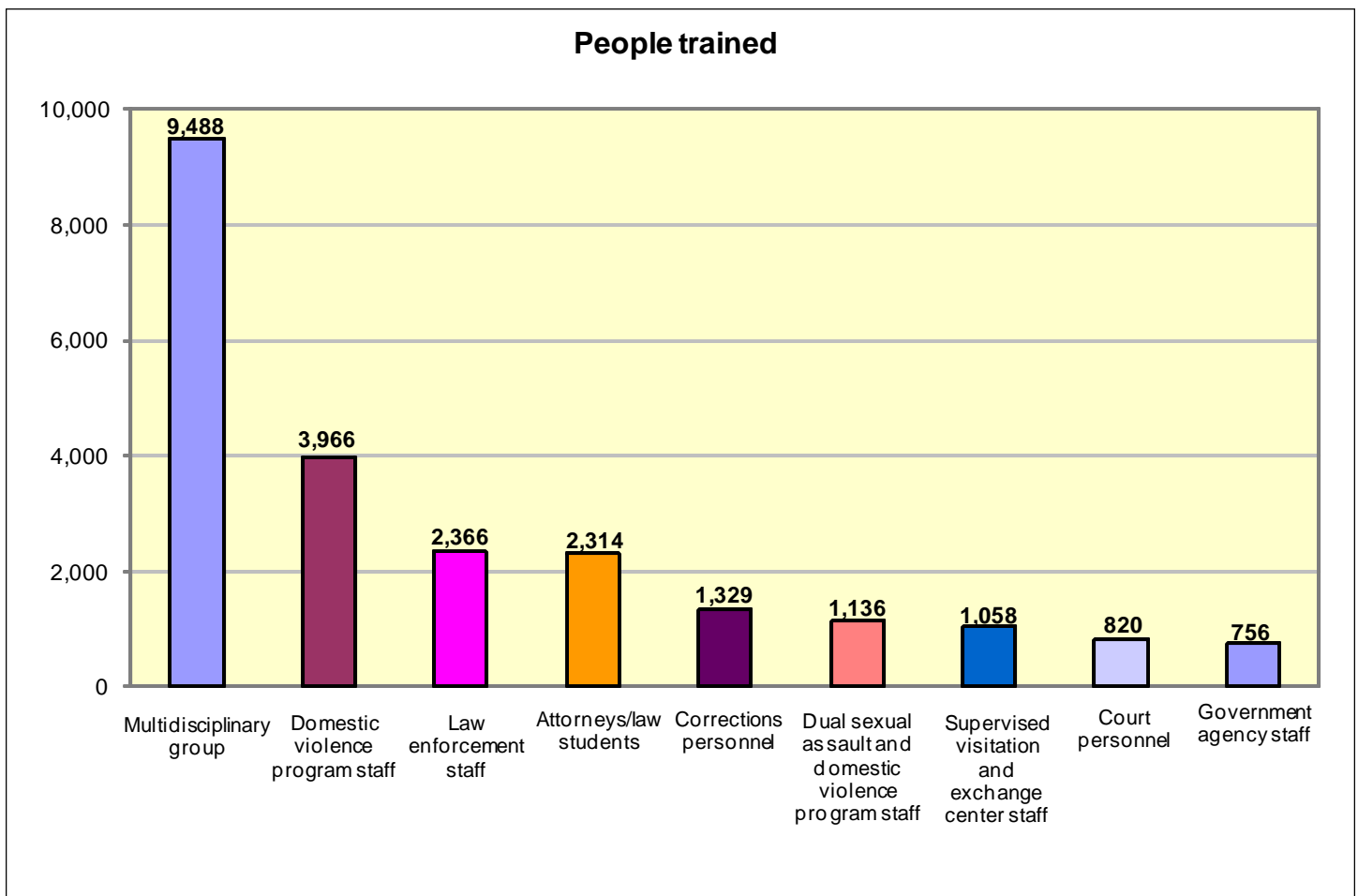
Total number of full-time equivalent staff funded: **206**

Training: Technical Assistance Program grantees train professionals to improve the response to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and to increase offender accountability.

Total number of projects using funds for training: **73** (74% of all projects reporting)

Total number of people trained: **30,639**

Number of training events: **681**

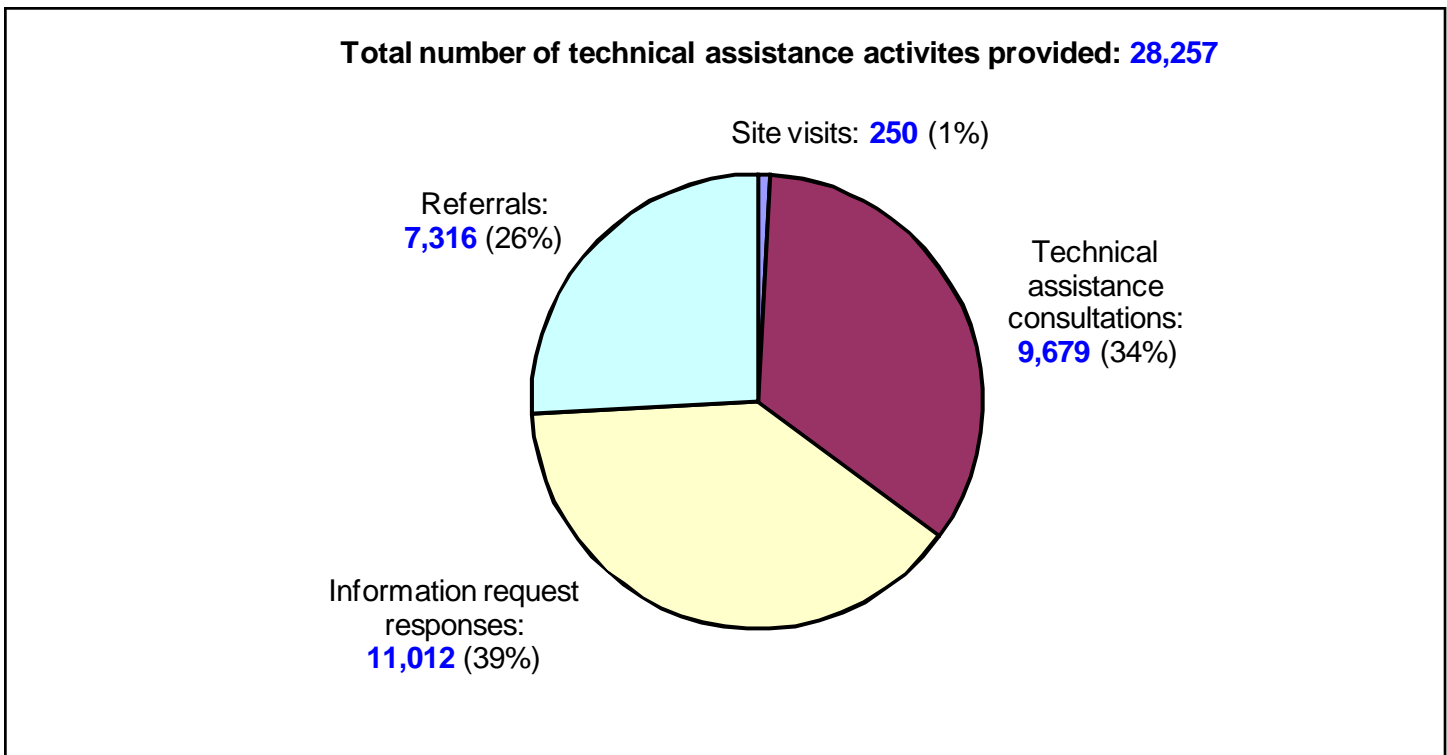


Topics on which professionals were most frequently trained

| Training topic | Number of projects training on this topic | Training topic | Number of projects training on this topic |
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| Advocate response | 46 | Confidentiality | 38 |
| Coordinated community response | 41 | Safety planning for victims/survivors | 37 |
| Domestic violence overview, dynamics, and services | 41 | Outreach to underserved population | 34 |
| Issues specific to victims/survivors who live in rural areas | 39 | Protection orders (including full faith and credit) | 34 |

Technical Assistance: Technical Assistance Program grantees provide technical assistance to service providers through site visits, technical assistance consultations, information request responses, and referrals.

Total number of projects using funds for technical assistance: **76** (78% of all projects reporting)



| Technical assistance topics most often provided | Number of projects providing technical assistance on this topic |
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| Collaboration | 51 |
| Curricula and training issues | 51 |
| Policy/protocol development | 49 |
| Response to domestic violence victims/survivors | 48 |
| Coordinated community response | 47 |
| Program development | 47 |
| Law enforcement response | 41 |
| Response to sexual assault victims/survivors | 40 |
| Developing or enhancing culturally and linguistically appropriate services for underserved populations | 38 |
| Civil legal services for victims/survivors | 36 |
| Court response | 35 |
| Standards of service for sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking programs | 35 |
| Safety planning | 33 |
| Prosecution response | 28 |
| Data collection | 26 |