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Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence Releases 2024 Homicide Report, Calls for Urgent Action

(January 23, 2025) - The Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence (NCEDSV) has released its 2024 Homicide Report, revealing the devastating impact of domestic violence across the state. The report documents 49 lives lost to domestic violence homicides last year, with women comprising 59% of victims and firearms being the leading cause of death in 84% of cases.

“Domestic violence devastates families and communities across our state. We cannot effectively combat this epidemic without fully recognizing its scope,” said Elizabeth Abdur-Raheem, Executive Director of NCEDSV. “Each of the 49 lives lost in 2024 was a tragedy that could have been avoided. As we enter the 2025 legislative session, NCEDSV is focused on advocating for legislation that builds safer communities and empowers victim-survivors to rebuild and thrive.”

The report underscores several alarming trends:

- **Firearms Dominance:** Firearms accounted for the overwhelming majority (84%) of domestic violence homicides.
- **Gender Disparities:** Women were disproportionately victimized, with 29 female and 20 male lives lost.
- **Broader Impact:** Victims included bystanders, family members, and new romantic partners directly affected by domestic violence incidents.

The NCEDSV’s report is compiled using publicly available resources and highlights incidents rooted in intimate or romantic partner violence, as defined by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS 33.018). There were several tragic familial domestic violence homicides that did not meet this definition and were excluded from the report.

In 2025, NCEDSV supports common sense legislative efforts to:

- Strengthen firearm safety measures to reduce domestic violence lethality
- Expand support services for victim-survivors
- Invest in community-based prevention programs

For more information or to access the full report, visit our website at www.ncedsv.org.

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About NCEDSV

The Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence advocates for the elimination of domestic and sexual violence through education, legislation, and community collaboration. Our mission is to be the statewide voice advocating for the prevention and elimination of domestic and sexual violence through partnering with communities.