Strengthening North Dakota Families



The funding for Domestic Violence Intervention Services is vital. 2016 2018 2024 **\$0** in state \$300,000 in \$1,000,000 in funding state funding state funding 703 participants 337 222 participants participants



Comments from participants:

"I have learned that violence is not just physical actions, so I have been focusing on the words I use and how I use them. I am becoming a better parent and partner because it is what my family deserves."



"I changed my attitude...I wanted to be a better partner and have a better relationship. I also changed for the kids. I wanted to be better for everyone, including myself. My self-esteem is through the roof because of my accountability and willingness to change. I cannot remember the last time I was this happy."

Domestic Violence Intervention Program funding made it possible to:

- Expand services across the state, including the launch of a new program in a tribal community
- Increase the number of affordable groups offered statewide
- Ensure all programs funded are compliant with the ND Batterers' Treatment Standards and implementing evidence-based programming



= In Compliance with ND Battering Intervention Standards

The Community Violence Intervention Center's Coordinated Community Response Project (Grand Forks, ND) conducted a study that tracked 343 male participants who completed the New Choices Program from 2004-2020. Participants experienced:

- 73% decrease in law enforcement involvement
- 90% decrease in criminal charges
- 86% decrease in protection orders filed

The initial investment of evidence-based intervention leads to tax dollar savings in the criminal justice system—along with a new generation of children that are positively impacted.

All funded programs are compliant with the North Dakota Batterers' Treatment Standards, which requires: collaboration with criminal justice agencies; attention to lethality; policies incorporating accountability and safety planning with victims.

All programs use an evidence-based model that has been proven to reduce violent offenses (more information available on crimesolutions.gov).