

MONROE COUNTY
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
COALITION

4TH QUARTER
2016 STATISTICS

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The Monroe County Domestic Violence Coalition (MCDVC) is committed to improving our community's response to domestic violence issues through communication and coordination of services. Major projects of the Coalition include a semi-annual Domestic Violence Awareness Conference and the implementation and monitoring of an audit of our community's response to domestic violence.

Membership to the Domestic Violence Coalition is open to service providers, representatives from local communities of faith, and other organizations concerned with the elimination of domestic violence in our community.

These statistics are provided to (1) assist domestic violence survivors in decision making and (2) assist the organizations that serve these individuals by providing information about other domestic violence resources.

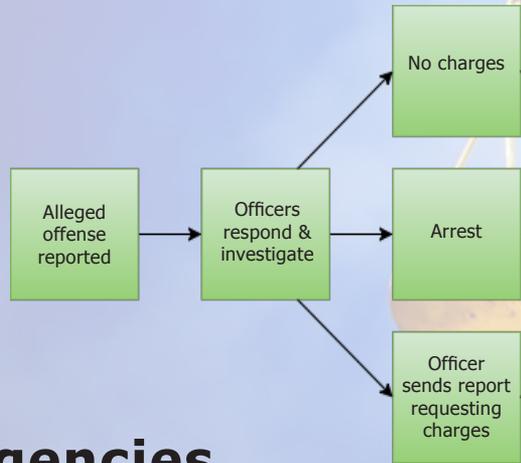
DISCLAIMER: This information is not a complete representation of domestic violence in Monroe County. It represents data collected by agencies under specific circumstances that report to the Monroe County Domestic Violence Coalition.

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Domestic Violence in the Monroe County Legal System

This chart provides an abbreviated description of how a report is processed through the Monroe County legal system. While it is frequently more complex than what is shown here, it represents what happens in the Monroe County community (and this can vary greatly in other Indiana counties).



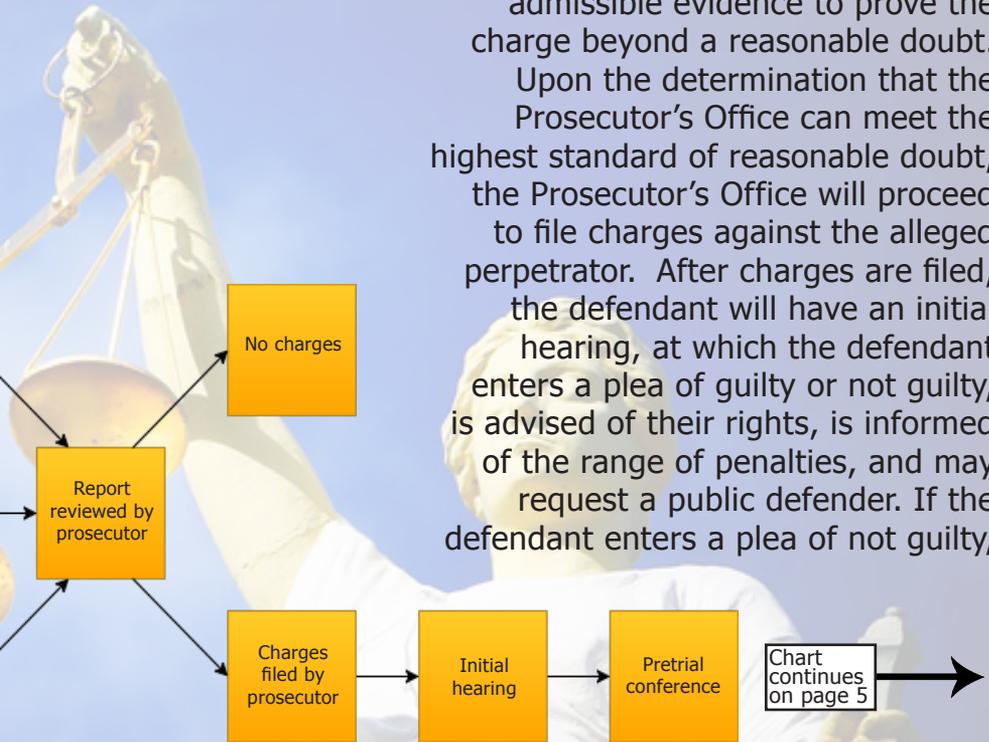
Investigating Agencies

There are multiple investigating agencies in Monroe County that first respond to a report of domestic violence, including the Bloomington Police Department, Monroe County Sheriff's Department, Ellettsville Police Department, Indiana University Police Department, and the Indiana State Police. Officers from these agencies investigate and then decide if they can establish probable cause that a crime has been committed.

Monroe County Prosecutor's Office

The Monroe County Prosecutor's Office reviews reports submitted by investigating agencies to determine if there is sufficient, credible, and admissible evidence to prove the charge beyond a reasonable doubt.

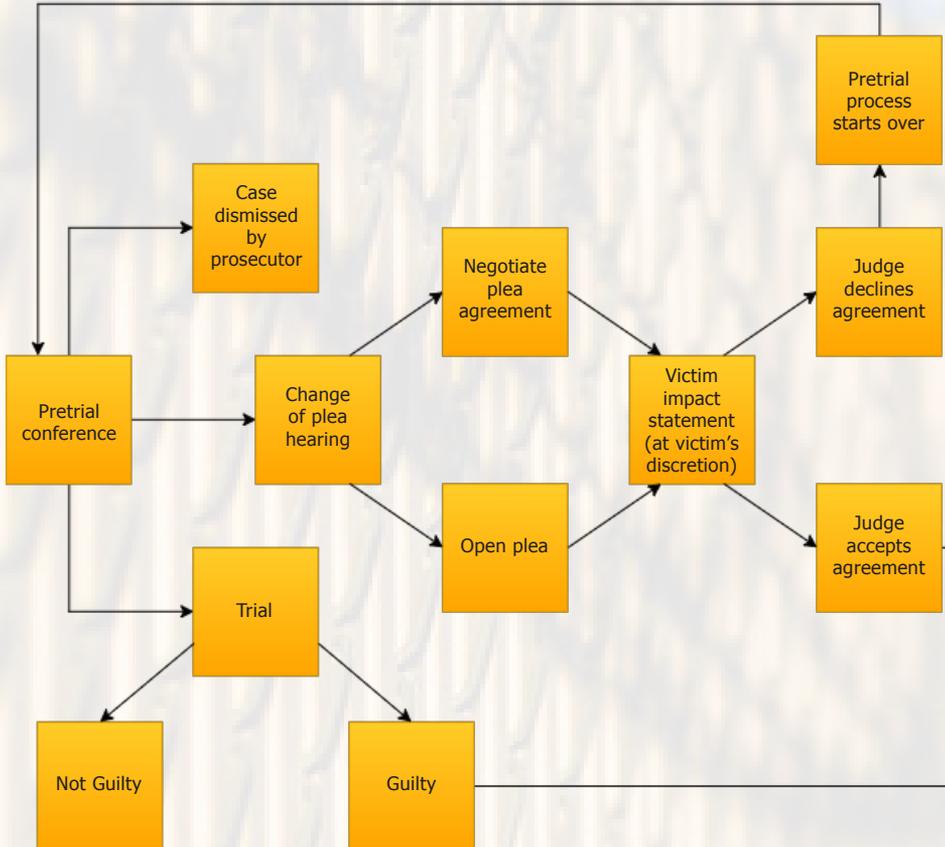
Upon the determination that the Prosecutor's Office can meet the highest standard of reasonable doubt, the Prosecutor's Office will proceed to file charges against the alleged perpetrator. After charges are filed, the defendant will have an initial hearing, at which the defendant enters a plea of guilty or not guilty, is advised of their rights, is informed of the range of penalties, and may request a public defender. If the defendant enters a plea of not guilty,

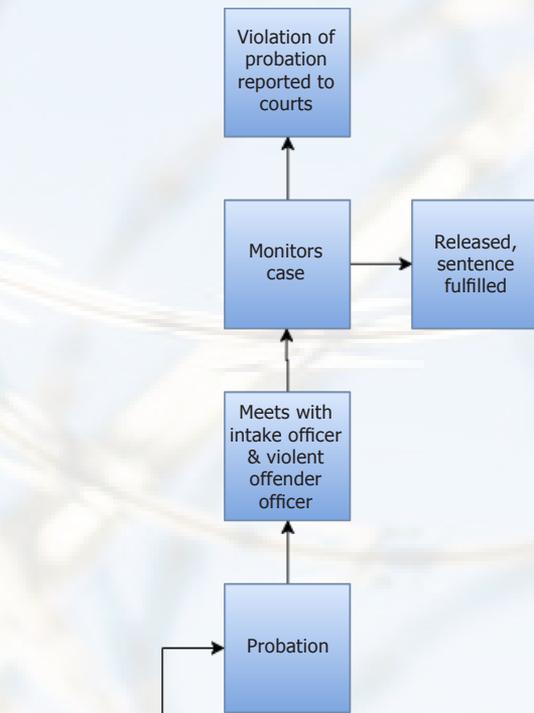


the case will proceed to a pretrial conference—a meeting between the prosecutor, defendant, and defense attorney. Possible case resolutions are represented in the corresponding chart.

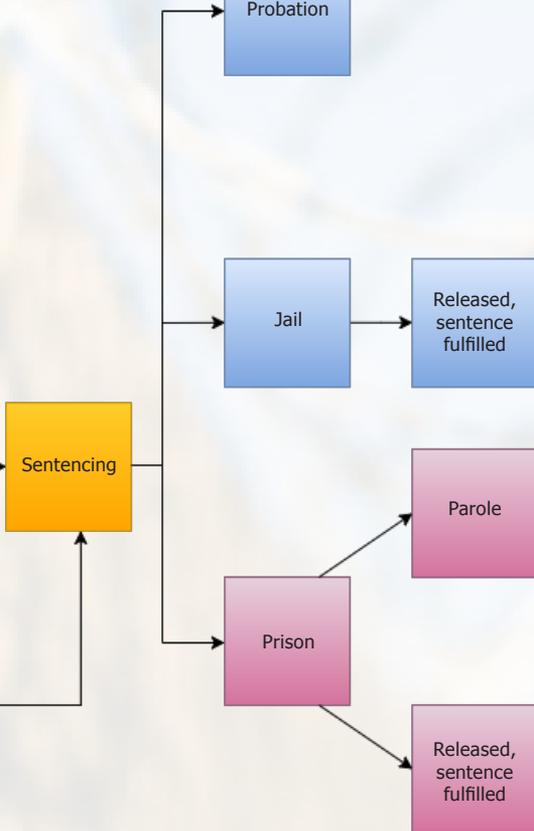
Community Supervision

The Department of Corrections oversees perpetrators in jail. The perpetrator can be released on parole or after their sentence has been fulfilled. If a perpetrator is sentenced to probation, they go directly to the Department of Probation following their sentencing hearing. The perpetrator will meet with an intake officer to collect general information and then meets with a violent offender officer who will personally oversee their case. The violent offender officer provides a plan that the perpetrator must complete before being released from probation. This plan may include mandatory counseling, anger management programs, rehabilitation programs for drug or alcohol use, budgeting exercises, and much more.





If the perpetrator ever violates probation, it is at the discretion of the violent offender officer to send the case back to trial. If the perpetrator fulfills their probation requirement, they are then released.



Incarceration

The terms "prison" and "jail" are often used interchangeably, but actually are very different. Jails are usually administered by local law enforcement, such as the County Sheriff's Department, or by local government. A jail is designed to confine people for short periods of time while they are serving a short sentence or awaiting trial. On the other hand, a prison is operated by the state government or the Federal Bureau of Prisons and is designed to house convicted criminals for much longer durations, including for life.

BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

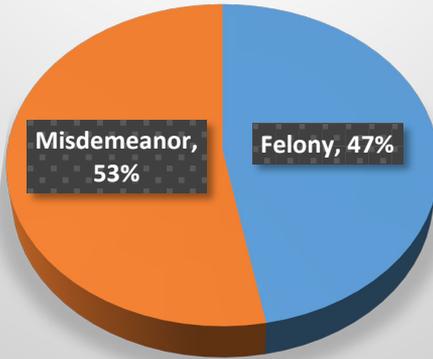
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The mission of the Bloomington Police Department is to safeguard life and property while respecting diversity, encouraging civility, solving problems, and maintaining a high standard of individual integrity and professionalism.

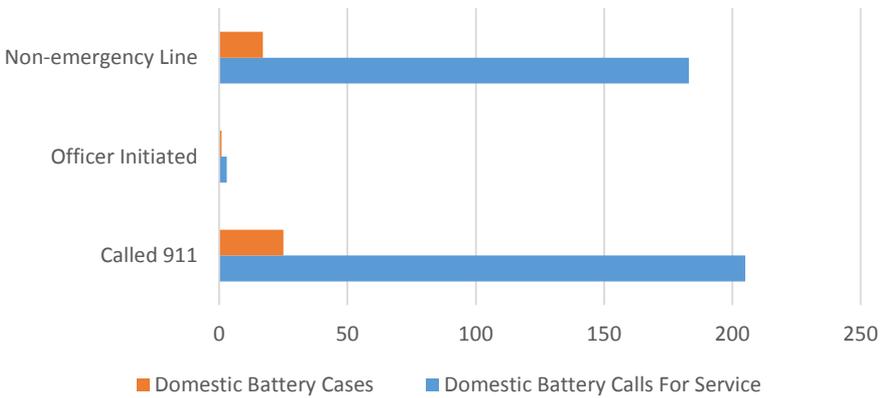
BPD Domestic Battery 2016 4 th Quarter Data			
Types of Calls:	October	November	December
Total Domestic Battery Calls for Service	125	140	126
Total Domestic Battery Cases	17	16	10
Domestic Battery Case Clearance:			
Cleared by Arrest	14	11	9
Resulted in No Charges	0	2	1
Active Investigation	2	0	0
Exception Clearance	1	0	0
Warrant Requested	0	3	0

Calls for Service refer to any call from the community for assistance. Not all Calls for Service turn into a case. A case documents when a crime occurs. Only instances of Domestic Battery are counted in these numbers. An Exception Clearance means all leads have been exhausted. All numbers provided are subject to change as further information is gathered regarding each incident. All cases are marked following the FBI's Uniformed Crime Reporting Guidelines.

BPD Domestic Battery 2016 4th Quarter Arrest Types



How Domestic Battery Calls Are Received



CONNECT2HELP

2-1-1

For help: 211
 Admin (317) 926-4357
info@connect2help.org
www.connect2help211.org

Connect2Help 2-1-1 is a regional nonprofit whose mission is to facilitate connections between people who need human services and those who provide them. Connect2Help 2-1-1 serves solely to promote self-sufficiency, change lives, and as a result, improve the quality of life in our communities.

As part of each call answered by Connect2Help 2-1-1, specialists gather information to better understand the client's needs and situation, as well as to better understand the needs of the community. With domestic violence calls, not all data concerns those who are currently fleeing domestic violence; it also includes secondary victims or survivors of past abuse. The number of domestic violence calls reflect multiple needs and referrals listed below.

	October	November	December
Number of Domestic Violence calls	2	3	3
Needs			
Healthcare	1	0	0
Housing – DV Shelter	0	1	3
Housing – Homeless Shelter	1	0	1
Housing – Search and Information	1	0	0
Individual, Family & Community Support	1	0	0
Legal Aid	0	1	0
Mental Health/Addictions	1	0	0
Transportation Expense Aid	0	1	0
Referrals To			
Case/Care Management – Ireland Home Based Services	1	0	0
Dental Care	1	0	0
DV Hotline – Turning Point	1	0	0
DV Shelter – Julian Center	0	0	1
DV Shelter – Middle Way House	0	2	2
Homeless Shelter – Becky's Place	0	0	1
Homeless Shelter – Martha's House	1	0	0
Housing Search and Information	1	0	0
Legal – District 10 Pro Bono Project	0	2	0
Legal – Indiana Legal Services	0	1	0
Transportation Expense Assistance	0	1	0

DISTRICT 10 PRO BONO PROJECT

P.O. Box 8382
Bloomington, IN 47404
To apply for services:
(812) 339-3610
Tuesdays, 5-7 p.m.
Thursdays, 2-5 p.m.
Fridays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.*
www.d10probono.org

District 10 Pro Bono Project provides quality, free legal services for low-income people in the Indiana counties of Clay, Greene, Hendricks, Lawrence, Monroe, Morgan, Owen, Putnam, Vigo, and Sullivan by matching local volunteer attorneys with people who need civil (not criminal) legal help.

They also support a number of legal clinics that give free advice or services to clients.

Monroe County Cases	March 2010 – December 2015	January 2016 – March 2016
Total Involving Domestic Violence	304	28
Rejected Cases	99	9

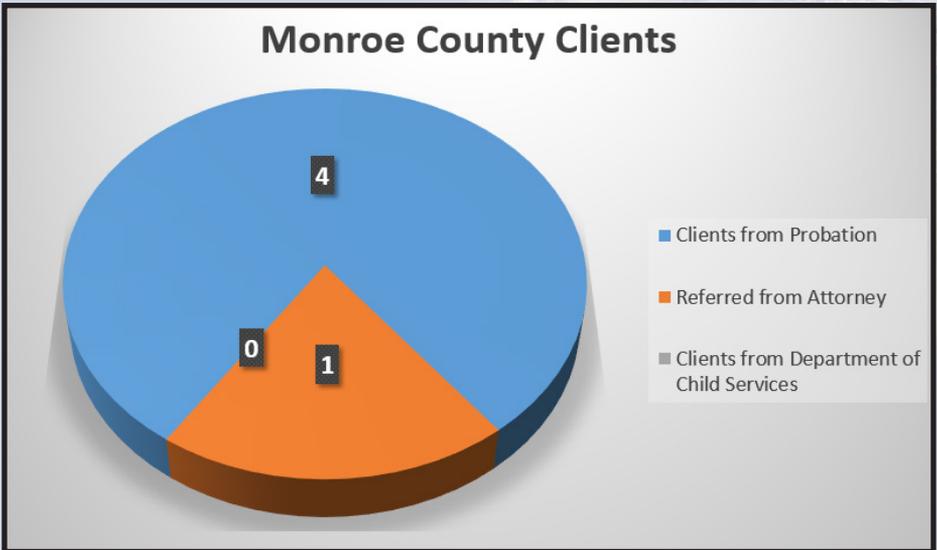
Common reasons for rejection: case sent to other District 10 clinics where volunteer attorneys give unrepresented litigants advice and help with paperwork.

*For brief legal advice, visit District 10's 'Counsel in the Court' walk-in clinic at the Justice Building.

INDIANAPOLIS COUNSELING CENTER BATTERERS INTERVENTION PROGRAM

724 North Illinois Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 549-0333
Toll free: 1-866-549-1333
www.icc-indy.com/iccbip.aspx

The primary purpose of the ICCBIP is to prevent violence to victims/survivors, families, and the community. Their objective is to challenge batterers on their justifications and excuses for their abusive behaviors and educate batterers on ways to effectively stop their domestic violence.



In addition, one client was referred from probation for abuse against his daughter.

PO Box 95
Bloomington, IN 47402
(812) 333-7404 (Admin.)
(812) 336-0846 (24-hr Crisis Line)
communications@middlewayhouse.org
www.middlewayhouse.org

MIDDLE WAY HOUSE

Middle Way House Inc. works to end violence, both structural and interpersonal, in the lives of every individual. Their services are available to anyone who has experienced domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault. Middle Way House Inc. covers six counties and our services include a 24-hour crisis line, crisis intervention, emergency shelter, legal and personal advocacy, safety planning and transitional housing. Middle Way House Inc. also conducts prevention programming in the community.

2016

Monroe County	October	November	December
Legal Advocacy	40	32	26
Shelter Residents	18	15	28
On-Scene Advocacy Calls	17	12	12

The legal advocacy number represented the number of individuals who sought legal services. The shelter residents number included the number of children residing in shelter who are affected by domestic violence, as well as those who are currently fleeing domestic abuse, sexual assault, or human trafficking. The on-scene advocacy number represented the number of individuals who received crisis support advocacy.

MONROE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

214 W. 7th St., Suite 200
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(812) 349-2645
www.co.monroe.in.us/tsd/Justice/Probation.aspx

The Monroe County Circuit Court Probation Department's mission is to promote a safer community by intervening in the lives of offenders, holding them accountable, and serving as a catalyst for positive change.

Open Supervisions for Domestic Battery

	October	November	December
Adult Probation	2	6	3
Pretrial Case management	0	1	0
Electronic Monitoring	0	0	1

Closed Supervisions for Domestic Battery

	October	November	December
Adult Probation—Closed - Transfer In	4	0	1
Adult Probation—Revoked - Technical	1	0	0
Adult Probation—Revoked - New Offense	0	1	0
Adult Probation—Successful	3	1	0
Adult Probation—Unsuccessful	0	1	1
Electronic Monitoring—Successful	1	0	0
Pretrial Case Management—Successful	0	1	0

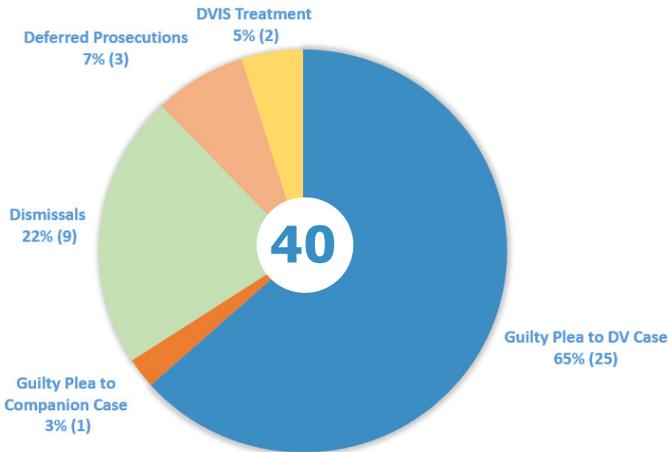
The information provided by the Monroe Circuit Court Probation Department reflects only the number of new probation cases for a domestic battery conviction being supervised by this department. The above statistics may not include other cases or convictions for other types of violent offenses having occurred in Monroe County.

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MONROE COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

The Monroe County Prosecutor's Office represents the people of the State of Indiana to seek justice, promote greater public safety, and assist victims of crimes. They receive reports from law enforcement agencies and file criminal charges in appropriate cases. They prosecute those who are guilty, while ensuring that the innocent are not wrongly convicted or oppressed. The office works proactively with law enforcement and other organizations to encourage crime prevention and education efforts that enhance public safety and improve the quality of life in the community.

OCTOBER-DECEMBER/2016 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DISPOSTIONS



50 new cases were received between October-December 2016:
28 felonies 22 misdemeanors.

The previous graph displays dispositions of Domestic Violence cases resolved from October 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016. A case is designated Domestic Violence based upon a current or former intimate partner relationship between the victim and the defendant.

Explanation of Categories:

Guilty Plea to DV Case

Defendant was convicted of a domestic violence charge pursuant to a negotiated plea agreement.

Guilty Plea to Companion Case

Defendant was convicted of an offense in a related case pursuant to a negotiated plea agreement.

Dismissed

The charge against the defendant is dismissed.

In situations where the evidence likely does not support an outright conviction the state may still seek to achieve a favorable outcome that provides a meaningful response to protect victim safety along with accountability for the defendant through supervision and rehabilitation services; including the following:

Deferred Prosecution

Case remains pending for a period of time while defendant completes certain conditions with the charge dismissed upon successful completion.

Domestic Violence Intervention System (DVIS)

Diversion program whereby the Defendant must successfully complete a Batterer's Treatment Program, consume no alcohol or illicit drugs, and commit no new criminal offense for one year to earn a dismissal of the charge.

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www.law.indiana.edu/pop

PROTECTIVE ORDER PROJECT

at Indiana University
Maurer School of Law

The Protective Order Project (POP) is a program directed by law students working under the direction of an attorney, designed to help victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking obtain civil protective orders from the court.

POP's goal is to prevent further abuse, both by restraining the abuser and empowering the victim.

	Fall 2016 (as of 11/18)
Total cases	67
Intakes performed	52
Referrals from Protective Order Assistance Project	43
Referrals from Middle Way House	4
Cases from other Sources	20
Cases where POP represents DV victim	18
Cases where permanent protective order was granted with POP representation	9
Cases where POP declined representation (but may have provided hearing assistance)	20
Cases where client withdrew	18

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The Monroe County Domestic Violence Coalition meets on the third Friday of each month at noon in the McCloskey Conference Room (#135), located in Showers City Hall, 401 N. Morton St., Bloomington, IN.

Meetings are open to the public. You are encouraged to contact the MCDVC liaison to ensure that a room change has not occurred.





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For more information visit
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