GREATER NEWBURYPORT
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HIGH RISK TEAM

SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT
2005-2016
During the first 12 years of operations, the Greater Newburyport DVHRT has identified and responded to 172 cases at the highest risk of domestic violence homicide or near-lethal assault.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HIGH RISK TEAM OUTCOMES**

- **90%** No reassault reported
- **91%** Engaged in DV services
- **95%** Did not utilize shelter

- **63%** Detained pretrial
- **81%** Found guilty
- **10%** Criminal case dismissed
- **70%** Incarcerated

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VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS

99% Female

91% White

31% Between Age 40-49

74% Married or Dating

43% Relationships Between 1-5 Years

AGE

- Unknown
- 60+
- 50-59
- 40-49
- 30-39
- 20-29
- 18-19
- 14-17

RACE/ETHNICITY

- Unknown
- Other
- White
- Hispanic/Latino
- Black/African American

RELATIONSHIP TYPE

- Unknown
- Other
- Family Member
- Previously Dated
- Dating
- Former Spouse
- Spouse

RELATIONSHIP LENGTH

- Unknown
- 30+ Years
- 20-29 Years
- 15-19 Years
- 10-14 Years
- 6-9 Years
- 1-5 Years
- < 1 Year
OFFENDER DEMOGRAPHICS

99% Male
83% White
34% Between Age 40-49
33% Unemployed

AGE

0% 10% 20% 30% 40%

Unknown
60+
50-59
40-49
30-39
20-29
18-19
14-17

RACE/ETHNICITY

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Unknown
White
Hispanic/Latino
Black/African American
American Indian/Alaska Native

PRIMARY LANGUAGE

- English
- Portuguese
IDENTIFICATION OF HIGH RISK CASES

GREATER NEWBURYPORT DVHRT REFERRALS

- Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center: 54%
- Law Enforcement: 38%
- District Attorney's Office: 5%
- Probation/Parole: 3%

Law Enforcement and Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center are the primary sources of referrals, with Law Enforcement being the most common at 38%.
RISK INDICATORS PRESENT IN HIGH RISK CASES

- Owns a Gun
- Threatens to Harm Children
- Violent with Victim During Pregnancy
- Victim Has Children Not in Common with Offender
- Forced Sex
- Unemployed
- Left Offender After Living Together in the Past Year
- Threatens or Attempts to Commit Suicide
- Threats and/or Use of a Lethal Weapon
- Use of Illegal Drugs
- Avoided DV Arrest
- Stalking Behaviors
- Alcoholic/Problem Drinker
- Strangles Victim
- Controls Most or All of Victim's Daily Activities
- Threatens to Kill Victim
- Violently and Constantly Jealous
- Believes Offender Could or Might Try to Kill
- Physical Violence Increasing in Severity or...
PRETRIAL INCARCERATION

63% of high risk offenders were detained pretrial

- 56% Held After Dangerousness Hearing
- 37% Held on Probation Violation or Warrant
- 7% Released on Bail
At the time of this report, 99% of the high risk cases receiving criminal justice intervention have been disposed. In 64% of high risk cases, the time between arraignment and disposition was three months or less, and 94% of cases were resolved within six months.

- Guilty: 81%
- Dismissed: 10%
- Not Guilty: 1%
- Generally Continued/Continued Without A Finding: 7%

* Of the 172 high risk cases, 79% received criminal justice intervention after the case was accepted by the DVHRT.