

Maryland Sexual Assault Statistics

- 1 out of 8 adult women in Maryland has been the victim of forcible rape sometime in her lifetime.
- During 2005, out of the 1,266 reported forcible rapes, 1,118 were “forced” and 148 were “attempted.”

Uniform Crime Data

Number of victims recorded 2005: 1,266

Forcible rape is defined by the FBI as “the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. Assaults and attempts to commit rape by force or threat of force are also included; however, statutory rape (without force) and other sex offenses are excluded”. This definition of rape is extremely limited, excluding male victims of sexual assault, incidents where physical force was not used, victims raped by family members, and only counting victims of vaginal/penile penetration.

About the Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault

What MCASA does: MCASA works to end sexual violence through advocacy, education, community outreach, and technical assistance.

Working closely with local, state, and national organizations to address sexual violence, MCASA is a membership organization that includes 18 rape crisis centers, as well as criminal justice agencies, health care personnel, and other allied professionals.

Staff: 10

Funding

Pass through? No

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