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Division: Services & Community
Development

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: 1995 Domestic Violence Annual Report

ATTACHMENTS: 1995 Domestic Violence Annual Report
(not available on-line)

Attached for your information is a copy of the Department's 1995 Annual Report on the Domestic Violence Prevention Act (Chapter 838 of the Laws of 1987).

As demonstrated by the Domestic Violence Prevention Act, New York State has historically been in the forefront in addressing the complex issues surrounding domestic violence. The goals of the original legislation were expanded by the Aid to Localities Budgets of 1991 through 1995. Together, these laws have ensured the viability of programs designed to provide safe and secure shelter and services for victims of domestic violence and their children.

Implementation of the Domestic Violence Prevention Act required the Department to undertake a multitude of activities in support of local district and domestic violence service providers. The attached report describes the benefits that have been realized as a result of the Act.

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The Department will continue to collaborate with the New York State Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence, social service districts, domestic violence service providers and other state agencies to address the comprehensive service needs of victims of domestic violence and their children.

I trust you will find this information helpful. If you have any questions please contact the appropriate Regional Office of the Division of Services and Community Development.

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