

# Chicago Police Patrol Officer Survey

## Key Findings

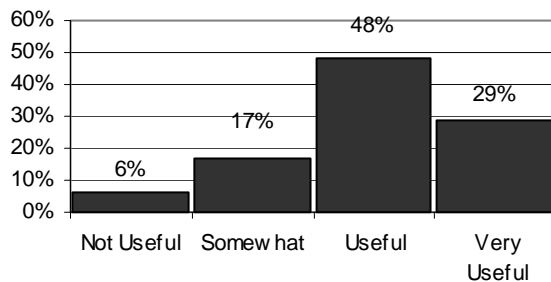
### Police Response to Domestic Violence

- The majority (95%) of the officers surveyed had responded to a DV incident in the past six months.
- Over six months, on average, each officer gave 27 Domestic Incident Notices (DIN).
- In addition to the DIN, 82% of the officers reported providing additional information or help to victims (calling the Help Line, providing OP information, transporting to safer locations).

### Assessment of Features of the Help Line

- 77% thought the single citywide phone number that the Help Line provided was a useful or very useful feature of the Help Line.

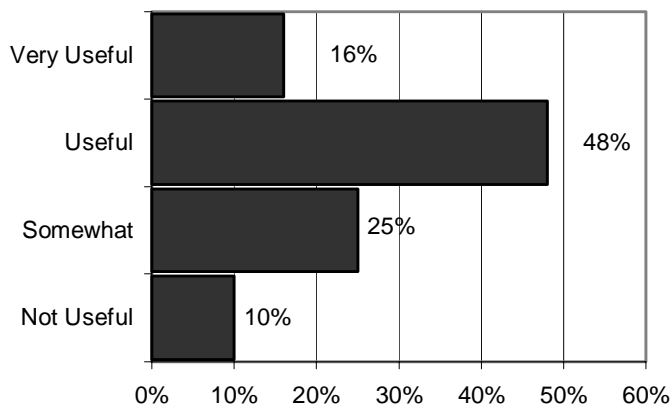
Single Phone Number for Officer Use to Refer Victims



N=927

- 64% of Officers thought the Help Line is useful or very useful to victims.

Help Line as a Resource to DV Victims



N=717

### The Study

On March 16, 2005, the CPD administered the survey to all Chicago Patrol Officers in each of the 25 districts on all 3 shifts.

1202 officers completed the 17-question survey.

### Officer's Occupation:

93% Beat Officers  
 4% Supervisors  
 2% Community Policing  
 1% TAC Officers  
 0.3% Other

### Survey Completion

#### % Surveys by Shift

34% 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
 27% 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift  
 39% 3<sup>rd</sup> Shift

District	#Surveys	% of Total
1	32	3%
2	69	6%
3	32	3%
4	33	3%
5	53	4%
6	24	2%
7	24	2%
8	29	2%
9	73	6%
10	94	8%
11	76	6%
12	8	1%
13	63	5%
14	71	6%
15	45	4%
16	37	3%
17	35	3%
18	67	6%
19	61	5%
20	44	4%
21	48	4%
22	35	3%
23	42	4%
24	43	4%
25	63	5%
	1201	100%

## Officers Give Information about the Help Line

- 74% of the officers who reported having tenure on their job before the inception of the Help Line found it easier to give a referral to a DV victim now than before the inception of the Help Line.
- Officers reported little difficulty with victims accepting the DIN, which includes the Help Line number.
- Only 10 % of officers report that a victim had expressed some hesitancy to call the Help Line because city government sponsors it. Of those officers, 17 reported that the victim refused to take the DIN.

## Officer's Perceptions of Barriers to Victims Accessing Community-Based Services

- Officers rated how often they encountered situations where they believe a barrier might limit the victim's ability to utilize a domestic violence referral.

