




SAFE HOMES
OF ORANGE COUNTY

Creating Safety. Reclaiming Equality. Pursuing Justice.

2018 COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT



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A Message From Our Executive Director

As I begin my 10th year as the Executive Director of Safe Homes, I find myself feeling as if I am just beginning my journey with so much I hope to accomplish. Safe Homes has experienced incredible growth in the past decade, but at times it can feel like we are still fighting the same battles: lack of awareness and understanding of intimate partner violence and human trafficking, and lack of empathy for and the continued blaming of victims. Over the last 12 months, as a nation, we have seen increased opportunities for victims to have a voice. We bore witness to the continued strength, courage, and resiliency of survivors connected to the Me Too movement. We watched Dr. Ford bravely share her story. Yet, we still live in a society where the cultural narrative around sexual assault has not changed much since 1991.



Here at Safe Homes, we continue to work, train, and educate around the larger systemic issues that create space in our society for domestic violence, sexual violence, and human trafficking to occur. Most people can agree that physical acts of domestic violence and sexual violence are not okay and those who use such behaviors should be held accountable. The larger issue is that these behaviors are the least common tactics of control that abusers/traffickers use. Currently there are no laws that adequately address tactics of emotional and psychological terror—the invisible chains which keep victims entrenched and entrapped. Ceasing the objectification of women and girls and creating new messaging around positive gender roles is still not the priority in media, music, marketing, or within the education system. While some companies have taken a stand, we still experience messaging that reinforces traditional gender roles and stereotypes, the objectification of women and girls, and toxic masculinity in everything from cartoons, movies, print media, to the nightly news. The list could go on and on; we still have a lot of work to do.

January is Human Trafficking Awareness month. Trafficking is the response to the demand for prostitution, and the sale of human beings is projected to surpass the sale of both drugs and guns as our largest global criminal enterprise. With the growing capabilities of technology and more platforms available to move video and images, participation in trafficking can occur without ever having to leave one's home. Collectively, we are often outraged by the idea of trafficking, with many unable to comprehend that it is happening right here in our own backyards. However, when we start to have deeper conversations around the correlation between prostitution, pornography, and trafficking, that hard fast line once held starts to bend. There was very little community conversation when an international pornography company chose a nearby community this past fall to receive free leaf cleanup as part of a marketing campaign. If you were to look at the comments online, most people thought it was a great idea and took no issue with local businesses agreeing to place this company's logo on their vehicles as advertisement for an online pornography empire. All of which brings me back to saying that we still have a lot of work to do.

Changing the curtains in a home does nothing about the cracks in the foundation. One has to start at the core of the structure in order to stabilize it, or we might need to tear it down and build something new. Everywhere we turn, the oppressive social constructs of racism, sexism, homophobia, and xenophobia prove again and again to be the bricks and mortar of the country in which we live. Policies bear no weight if there is no process for implementation, procedure for moving forward, or accountability for failure to follow. I'm sure you can guess what I am about to say: clearly, we have a lot of work to do. For those of us who do this work every day, at times it can feel overwhelming, but it can also be transformational and even healing. To keep fighting for equality and justice is the only option – anything else feels unbearable.

As we move forward into 2019, we hope you will join us on our mission. To all of the amazing individuals, groups, and communities who have chosen to take this journey with us by joining the conversation, sharing our information, creating space for victims' voices, and supporting Safe Homes unconditionally: **THANK YOU!** When we work together, we have the power to **create change** and **save lives**.

Forward we march,

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OUR IMPACT IN 2018

Confidential services, including shelter, to victims of intimate partner violence, teen dating violence, and human trafficking. Education, outreach, and prevention programs for adults and youth.



92 Adults and 52 Children accessed safety and services at the Safe Homes Shelter.



5,202 Nights of Safety provided in our Shelter's inclusive environment



817 Adults and **632 Children** served through Non-Residential Programs in Orange County; **32 Adults** and **41 Children** served through Non-Residential Programs in Sullivan County.



19,158 Advocacy Services in Orange County and **247 Advocacy Services** in Sullivan County encompassed the areas of court accompaniment, legal support, law enforcement, medical, mental health, social services, housing, immigration, employment, economic empowerment, and education.



3,319 Emergency Services in Orange County and **15 Emergency Services** in Sullivan County addressed the immediate needs of children, and basic needs such as food, clothing, personal care, critical household items, and transportation for individuals and families.



4,286 Crisis Line Calls in Orange County and **147 Crisis Line Calls** in Sullivan County provided safety planning and access to support services and resources.



7,730 Supportive Counseling Services in Orange County to individual victims and survivors, creating **5,665** individualized **Safety Plans**. **90 Supportive Counseling Services** in Sullivan County to individual victims and survivors, creating **86** individualized **Safety Plans**.



6 Pets were sheltered through our partnership with the Warwick Valley Humane Society for a total of **248 nights** of safety.



The **Safe Harbour: NY** program, funded through the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, supports counties in developing their capacity to identify youth who have been trafficked, sexually exploited, or are at risk of victimization and to meet identified service needs of these youth. The **Orange County Safe Harbor Program**, a collaboration with the **Orange County Department of Social Services, Safe Homes, and HONOR**, received **81** referrals for youth and provided **55** youth with services, including safety planning, individual support, case management, and referrals to service. **39 Presentations** reached **1,066 adults**, raising awareness about human trafficking.



106 referrals for our **Therapeutic Counseling Program** provided counseling to **164** individuals with **789** sessions being provided.



Safe Homes advocates co-located within **Child Protective Services (CPS)** in Goshen and Newburgh worked collaboratively with CPS on **560** cases involving indicators of domestic violence and reported child abuse. They provided services and information to **361** individuals, conducted **249** joint visits within the home and community.



The **Domestic Violence Liaison (DVL)** conducted **389** DV assessments for individuals seeking DSS assistance and provided **232** waivers to enable survivors to safely comply with DSS requirements. The DVL connected **195** individuals with Safe Homes for ongoing services and support.



Participating with the **OC District Attorney's Office**, Safe Homes assisted on **67** grand jury cases and received **37** referrals for Safe Homes services.



During the 4th quarter of 2018, the newly-created position of **Crime Victim Case Manager** provided **102** crime victims with information and referrals, assisted **7** individuals with personal advocacy and provided emotional support to **28** individuals.



151 Presentations reached **1,912 adults**, raising awareness about the complex dynamics and impact of intimate partner violence and human trafficking.



310 Age-appropriate Presentations reached **5,352 Adolescents and Teens** in Orange County and **8 Age-appropriate Presentations** reached **88 Adolescents and Teens** in Sullivan County on topics including abusive versus healthy relationships, physical and online bullying, sexism, systems of oppression and cultural competency.



Our **Housing First Program**, in collaboration with **HONOR**, remained at capacity and supported **6 adult** clients and their **8 children** with **600 supportive case management and advocacy services** and **68 home visits**.

Surviving domestic violence and trafficking can be a daunting, unrelenting journey.

We recognize the incredible strength of victims and survivors attempting to access safety and connecting with Safe Homes for support.



Legal Services

In 2013, Safe Homes partnered with **Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (LSHV)** to provide increased access to holistic legal services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and human trafficking in the areas of family offense, custody, visitation, child support, and victim-related immigration matters. As a result of this partnership, one full-time attorney and one full-time paralegal from LSHV were co-located at Safe Homes Family Justice Center. **In 2018**, the attorney and paralegal located at Safe Homes Family Justice Center handled **138** cases on behalf of **78** clients.



In October 2016, LSHV was awarded additional funding to enhance our collaboration from the United States Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), providing one additional full-time attorney to our project. **In 2018**, this additional attorney allowed for **221** cases to be handled on behalf of **132** clients referred by Safe Homes.

In October 2018, Safe Homes was awarded additional funding from the New York State Office of Victim Services (OVS) to once again expand legal services to victims. Through OVS, Safe Homes expanded our contract with LSHV to employ three attorneys and one paralegal who will be located at LSHV offices in Newburgh and Monticello, allowing Safe Homes to expand these vital services into Sullivan County. **From October to December 2018**, this new team handled **31** cases on behalf of **14** clients referred by Safe Homes.

Risk Reduction Response

The Safe Homes **Risk Reduction Response Program (RRRP)** was created in October 2016 with funding from the New York State Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (OPDV). This program is a multi-disciplinary approach to high risk domestic violence cases, centered around victim safety and offender accountability.

Safe Homes, along with **local law enforcement, Orange County Probation, and the Orange County District Attorney's Office**, work collaboratively to identify domestic violence incidents that have a risk of serious physical injury and/or lethality. To track offender accountability and maintain focus on victim safety, any cases that screen into the RRRP are monitored throughout the criminal justice process.

	Newburgh	Port Jervis	Middletown
# of High Risk Cases	350	79	186
# of DIRs Reviewed	758	235	504
# of Joint Home Visits	233	37	83

Officers conduct a brief lethality/risk assessment at all domestic incidents involving intimate partners. If the result is high risk, officers then place a call from the scene to the Safe Homes hotline in order to immediately connect the victim with an advocate. Officers, along with a Safe Homes advocate, also conduct follow-up homes visits to engage the victim around available services and any needs they may have.

This program originally launched in collaboration with the **City of Newburgh Police Department**. With the support of additional funding through the **S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program** administered through the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, Safe Homes has expanded the RRRP to the **City of Port Jervis and City of Middletown Police Departments**.



Training for the **Town of Newburgh Police Department** will begin in Spring 2019.



Safe Homes comprehensive support services and outreach programs are sustained by the dedication of our volunteers, the solidarity of our community, and the vision of our funders and government leaders.

ALL GIFTS—BIG AND SMALL—MOVE OUR WORK FORWARD.

Volunteering and Internships

In 2018, Safe Homes **Volunteers and Interns** contributed a total of **3,164** hours of service.

INTERNS

Nicolle Brunale	Kesang Sherpa
Emily Cannillo	Maya Stang
Kaeleigh Clark	Rebecca Stegmann
Lauren Jones	Maria Streva
Marina Krupp	Elizabeth Vesely
Zenovia Lee	Emily Vetrano
Kelsey Millan	Hannah Ward
Danielle Salazar	Taylor Zuber

VOLUNTEERS

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Jessica Dolata	Saishree "Kiki" Rao
Amy Enna	

GAP Foundation
Kaplan Family Private Foundation
M&T Charitable Foundation
MERCK Foundation
National Network to End DV
Warwick Savings Foundation
Women and Infants Service Package

COMMUNITY

411th Engineer Brigade, United States Army
The Abelson Company
Access: Supports for Living Inc.
Advanced Dental & Oral Surgery of New Windsor PLLC
Apple2Orange Realty
Ball Corporation
Bavoso & Plotsky
Beyond Rubies
Blaser Swisslube
Blustein, Shapiro, Rich & Barone, LLP
Bonura Hospitality Group
Bruyn Designed
Calmoseptine, Inc.
Cantania, Mahon, Milligram & Rider, PLLC
Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange, Sullivan & Ulster
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Central Deli & Catering
Central Hudson
The Church of the Innocents
The Classic 10k Road Race Inc.
Combined Energy Services
Cream Boutique
Crystal Run HealthCare
Crystal Run Village, Inc.
Dawes Transport Inc.
Deja Vu Events & Floral Design
Delta Kappa Gamma
Depew Oil Co. Inc.
Dr. Michele Winchester-Vega & Associates
English Rose Day School
Etched In Time Engraving, Inc.
Family Martial Arts Goshen
Filipino-American Asso. of Newburgh NY
First Presbyterian Church of Campbell Hall
First Presbyterian Church of Chester
Francis J. Feely Charitable Fund

Friends of Sandra Mennerich
Goshen Chamber of Commerce
Goshen High School Students, Teachers & Staff
Goshen United Methodist Church
Habitat for Humanity of Greater Newburgh
Hamptonburgh Seniors
Harriet L. Earnest, CPA
Highland Mills United Methodist Church
Home Inspections - For a Cause
HONOR ehg, Inc.
Hudson United Title Services
Hudson Valley Contracting/DKI
Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union
Hudson Valley Ghostbusters
HV Region MARC Inc.
Increase Your Visibility LLC
Independent Living, Inc.
Indigo Beauty Lounge
JacPfef Photography
Jason D. Hoffman Insurance Agency
John Herbert Company
JP Packaging, LLC
Keller Williams Realty Hudson Valley United
Law Office of Jacquelynn Vance-Pauls
Law Offices of Albert P. Pacione, Jr., Esq.
Legal Services of the Hudson Valley
Lions Club of Warwick, Inc.
Malk Enterprises
Maternal Infant Services Network
Meadow Hill Reformed Church
Mediacom
Meghan Spiro Photography
Meredith Heuer Photography
Mental Health Association in Orange County
Mid Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union
Middletown Chemists, Inc.
Monroe-Woodbury High School Students
Monroe-Woodbury Rotary Club
Mountainville United Methodist Church
Newburgh Envelope
The Newburgh Ministry
Nugent & Haeussler, P.C.
O'Keefe & McCann, LLP
Orange & Rockland Utilities
Orange County Government Employees
Orange Regional Medical Center

GOVERNMENT

NYS Department of Health
NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services
NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence
NYS Office of Children and Family Services
NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
NYS Office of Victim Services
NYS Senator John J. Bonacic
NYS Senator William J. Larkin
Orange County Department of Social Services
Orange County District Attorney's Office
Orange County Youth Bureau
Police Chiefs' Association of Orange County
Sullivan County Department of Social Services

FOUNDATIONS

1st Lt. Louis Allen Scholarship & Community Foundation
AmazonSmile Foundation
Community Foundation of Orange & Sullivan
Dyson Foundation





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 Pizza Brava
 Pocatello/Mount Hope
 Fire Company
 POPPY on the Hudson
 Praetorian Consulting Agency
 The Purple Spoon
 Sisters of Presentation
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 Goshen
 St. John's Lutheran Church of
 Middletown
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 Statewide News Network
 Sterling National Bank
 Strauss & Kallus PLLC
 Tau Chapter Sigma Lambda Nu
 Ulster Savings Bank
 United Technologies
 United Way of Rockland County
 United Way of the Dutchess-
 Orange Region
 Valley Central Teachers
 Association
 Van DeWater & Van DeWater, LLP
 Walden Savings Bank
 Walkkill East Rotary Club
 Warwick Valley Bed and
 Breakfast
 Warwick Valley Chamber of
 Commerce
 Warwick Valley Rotary Club
 West Point - Highland Falls
 Rotary Club
 Wine and Design of Warwick
 World Wide Travel of Cornwall

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 Ari Weinstein
 Ashley Lenahan
 Astrid Robles
 Austin Dubois
 Barbara & Mark Levy
 Barbara Johnson
 Barry Grossarth
 Becky Dawes
 Bess Jankowski
 Bill Braine
 Bryan Giudice
 Caitlin Tabala
 Carlene Stillwagon
 Carmine Rizzo
 Carol Ierace
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 D. Jarkiewicz-Thompson
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 David & Jeannie Goggins
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 Debra Brock
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INDIVIDUAL

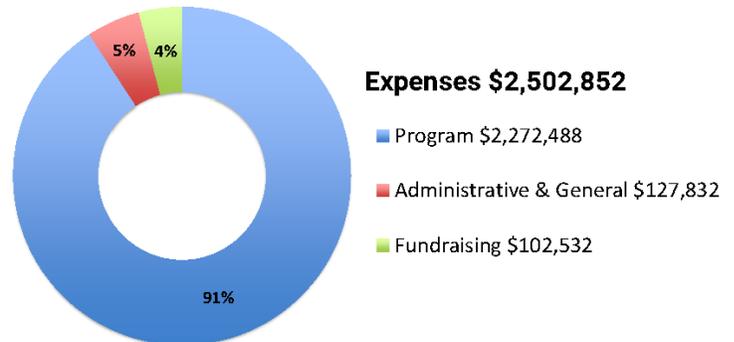
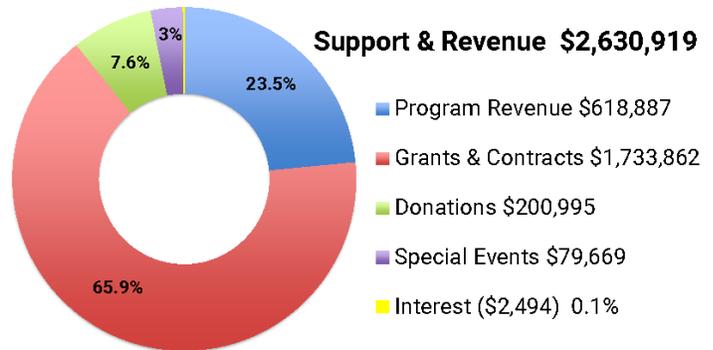
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2018 Financials



...of every dollar donated to Safe Homes goes directly into programs and services to help survivors and to educate our community.

Total Agency Budget \$2,413,346





INDIVIDUAL (cont'd)

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 Zhenya Amditis

Our Mission

Safe Homes of Orange County's mission is to work toward the elimination of intimate partner violence, teen dating violence, and trafficking by providing comprehensive support services to victims and their children, and by increasing public awareness about these issues and encouraging accountability for perpetrators. We envision being the County's leading authority and key agent of change for victims, their families, and our community impacted by intimate partner violence, teen dating violence, and human trafficking.



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