2017 ANNUAL REPORT
Providing Safety, Support and Hope for Over 40 Years

Financials FY 2015/16

Operating Revenue Audited 2016 Audited 2015
Contributions $735,812.00 $962,834.00
In-kind $173,115.00 $178,613.00
Grants $888,280.00 $698,909.00
Other Revenues $126,665.00 $61,689.00
Restricted contributions whose restrictions were met $142,992.00 $223,567.00
Total Operating Revenue $2,066,864.00 $2,123,614.00

Operating Expenses Audited 2016 Audited 2015
Program Expense $1,877,673.00 $1,551,472.00
Management & General $266,329.00 $259,141.00
Fundraising $236,156.00 $212,962.00
Total Operating Expenses $2,380,158.00 $2,023,575.00
Increase/Decrease in Net Assets $106,706.00 $100,039.00

2016 Revenue
- Contributions 36%
- In-kind 25%
- Grants 43%
- Other Revenues 2%

2016 Expenses
- Management & General 11%
- Program Expense 79%
- Fundraising 10%
- Contributions 36%
- In-kind 25%
- Grants 43%
- Other Revenues 2%

"I had all but lost hope that my life could be better until I called SafeHouse Center. I found support, help and understanding and I found out I was not alone.
- Deodra, a survivor"
Message From Our Executive Director

This year as I surpassed my fifteenth year as executive director, and our community navigated changes in federal funding for many non-profits, SafeHouse Center remained focused on a truly bipartisan issue – domestic violence and sexual assault.

You’ll find many numbers in the pages of our annual report, but we cannot forget that each one represents a real person with a name and a struggle who is trying to survive one of the most traumatic experiences anyone will go through.

Domestic violence and sexual assault can be a difficult thing for people to talk about but we must believe one in four women will experience violence by an intimate partner in their lifetime. Survivors and their children experiencing abuse are not the only ones affected. Law enforcement, employers, health care providers, friends and families are all impacted emotionally, economically and sometimes are fearful for their own safety as well.

SafeHouse Center is actively enlisting even more individuals – community leaders, political representatives, women, men and young people – to change the attitudes that allow this violence to continue. We do this with the knowledge that our supporters, donors and volunteers stand with us, arm-in-arm on this journey because everyone should be allowed to live their life free of fear.

This year, in keeping with our philosophy that “all people should be valued without bias and should be treated with dignity and respect”, we started an LGBTQIA support group and a men’s support group. As always, all of our services and programs remain 100% cost free because of the generous support we receive from individuals, corporations, foundations, faith-based churches and organizations, granting agencies, and many community groups. We simply could not do it without them and you. We thank you.

We ask you to continue to stand with us and endorse our efforts to be the organization that not only brings awareness but one day, hopefully an end to domestic violence and sexual assault in our community.

In safety, support and hope,

Barbara Niess-May, MPA, MSW
Executive Director

SafeHouse Center Numbers At A Glance

We provided almost 8,000 bed nights for survivors in the shelter last year alone. That is 1,000 more than the previous year. The increase was primarily children.

SafeHouse Center volunteers provide 1,354 hours of volunteer service. These hours range from 24-hour response to working with the children in our children’s program, and so much more.

SafeHouse Center is an 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to provide safety, support, advocacy and resources for survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence and their children, and to work relentlessly to change the systems and attitudes that allow this abuse to continue.

Close to 5,000 women children and men seek life-saving and supportive services from SafeHouse Center annually. Help is provided through shelter, response teams, 24-hour Helpline, counseling, and legal advocacy.

SafeHouse Center Programs

24-Hour HelpLine
Immediate response to survivors after an assault, 24 hours a day
Helping getting personal protection orders
Legal advocacy
Counseling
Safety planning
Free health services
Support groups
Services for children
50 bed emergency shelter

Thanks to SafeHouse Center’s bilingual staff, my children and I felt safe. It was scary not knowing if we would be understood and supported. Thank you. - Lucia, a survivor

My two children and I came to the shelter with one small suitcase. It was so nice that the kids received a welcome bag with not only necessities but a stuffed animal and new toy. It made the transition easier.

- Cassandra, a survivor