



CRIME VICTIM SERVICES
ANNUAL REPORT
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A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

My heart is filled with gratitude for the quality of the 36 staff and 109 volunteers who served over 5,000 victims and family members and thousands of students in Allen and Putnam Counties, Ohio over the last year.

The pandemic took a tremendous toll, including the life of former 31-year employee Phyllis Neff. But we also celebrated many blessings, including new and toddling staff babies.

Whether you work with us or you benefit from our work, we always want you to find us transparent, trauma-responsive, and anti-oppression focused.

We are grateful for your support and commitment to cultivating communities free from violence and look forward to the ways you will help us to improve and remain impactful in the coming years.

David Voth
Executive Director



MISSION & VISION

Cultivating violence free communities through anti-oppression practices, restorative justice & accessible services.

At Crime Victim Services, we believe communities thrive when all members prevail over trauma and support one another with empathy and respect.

Since 1980, we have led the way in prevention, advocacy & outreach to help victims prevail over the trauma of their victimization through safety, healing, justice, and restitution.



**PREVENTION
ADVOCACY
OUTREACH**

PROGRAMS

CASA

A Court Appointed Special Advocate is a trained community volunteer appointed by a judge to speak up for the best interests of an abused or neglected child.

Child Advocacy Center

The Child Advocacy Center provides a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary, community response to individuals and families affected by abuse.

Court Advocacy

Crime Victim Services provides free assistance and court advocacy in juvenile, misdemeanor, and felony cases. Professional advocates walk alongside survivors throughout their healing process and help them with the justice process.

Elder Victim Ministry

Elder Victim Ministry helps elders prevail over the trauma of abuse, neglect, exploitation and other crimes, providing individualized recovery services.

Guardian Program

Crime Victim Services' Guardian Program provides qualified, court-appointed Volunteer Guardians for adult victims deemed unable to make important life decisions while ensuring their safety, dignity, and quality of life.

Anti-Human Trafficking

Crime Victim Services' Anti-Trafficking program works directly with survivors of human trafficking to help them heal through the trauma of their victimization.

Rape Crisis & Sexual Violence

The Day One department provides comprehensive services to survivors of sexual violence in Allen, Putnam, Hardin and Van Wert counties.

Relationship Violence

Crime Victim Services' Relationship Violence program provides Emergency Shelter, a 24-Hour Crisis Line, Transitional Housing, Protection Orders, and Court Advocacy to those affected by domestic violence, stalking, and dating violence.

Special Victims Unit

The Special Victims Unit aspires to meet the distinctive needs of underserved victims. The Special Victim Unit advocates for every victim to feel served and have an equal opportunity to victim services.

Violence Prevention

The primary focus is providing culturally appropriate educational curriculum to youth and adults in our community with the express purpose of preventing relationship violence and cultivating a culture where consent and respect for one another is a central tenet.

IMPACT

STAFF COMPLETED

1,269

HOURS OF TRAINING ON ETHICS, CULTURAL HUMILITY & TRAUMA

SUPPORTING

574

ABUSED & NEGLECTED CHILDREN IN ALLEN & PUTNAM COUNTIES

EDUCATING

1,860

YOUTH ON VIOLENCE PREVENTION

142

VICTIMS RECEIVED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

MORE THAN

5,007

VICTIMS SERVED

2021

7,627

NOTICES OF COURT HEARINGS PROVIDED

2021

4,788

COURT ACCOMPANIMENTS BY AN ADVOCATE

95%

OF VICTIMS REPORT HAVING IMMEDIATE NEEDS MET BY CVS

MORE THAN

108

PUBLIC EVENTS, PRESENTATIONS & TRAININGS

2021

98%

OF VICTIMS SERVED FEEL HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

MORE THAN

143

MEDIA APPEARANCES

IMPACTING

2

PUBLIC POLICY CHANGES SUPPORTING SURVIVORS

2021

97%

OF VICTIMS REPORT FEELING LESS ALONE

2021

1,135

VICTIMS RECEIVED COUNSELING & EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

2021

100%

OF VICTIMS REPORT FEELING RESPECTED & LISTENED TO

MORE THAN

638

SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORTED

PREVENTION

Prevention educators provided more than 300 sessions of anti-violence education curriculum to more than 1,860 students, trained more than 206 teachers & school staff, & facilitated more than 15 community trainings.

"To say Carla has made a difference in student's lives from her presentation and rapport with my students is an understatement.

It is very difficult to get all the material we have to cover in Health in a semester, but I always want to make time for real life issues.

Carla's presentation goes far and beyond just dating abuse and violence. **It teaches respect, self-worth, learning to understand what is and what isn't acceptable and learning ways to stand up for yourself and protect yourself.**

Her presentation of such an important topic, especially at Lima Senior High, is vital to teaching these young people how to deal with such an important, yet often overlooked subject matter.

She is making a positive difference in kid's lives and helping these young people make better choices for themselves."

Chris Hawkins | Health Educator



ADVOCACY

29 professional advocates provided more than 4,788 instances of court accompaniment, 7,627 notices of hearings, and 1,135 instances of emotional support to more than 5000 victims. 75 volunteer advocates provided services to 574 abused and neglected children.

"I was so glad to have my advocate to work with when I had to go to court. He explained things in a way that I understood. He helped me talk to the prosecutor to get my questions answered. He also helped me collect all the information that I needed to ask for restitution. I would have been lost without his guidance and advice."

-Putnam County Victim



"The advocate I worked with was a great advocate for me and what I wanted to see happen with the case. She kept me informed of what was happening in my case and helped me speak with others about what I wanted to see as the outcome. She listened to me and advocated for me. She went to court with me and helped me to understand the process."

-Allen County Victim



"I would not have gotten through this time without my advocate by my side. She helped me to make a plan for my and my children's safety. She was available when I had questions or just needed to talk with someone about what I was feeling. I feel safer knowing this program is here."

-Allen County Victim



OUTREACH

We believe every victim is entitled to accessible services and work hard to ensure our community knows we're here to help. Our staff participated in more than 143 media events, presented more than 108 times to our community and served more than 77 victims with special needs.

"I offer a familiar voice and a listening ear to folks who need support. It seems like a small thing to call someone and ask "are you ok" but it helps with the victim's healing process and that is the rewarding part for me. The "thank you" at the end of the call is what makes volunteering so worthwhile."

-Elder Victim Ministry Volunteer

"If you care about children and are looking for a way to give back and support your community, I can think of no better way to exercise your love and care than by becoming a CASA volunteer. The difference you make in the life of a child is everlasting. Reach out and help a child today!"

-CASA Volunteer

"I'm excited to make a meaningful difference in another person's life. That's hugely rewarding to me."

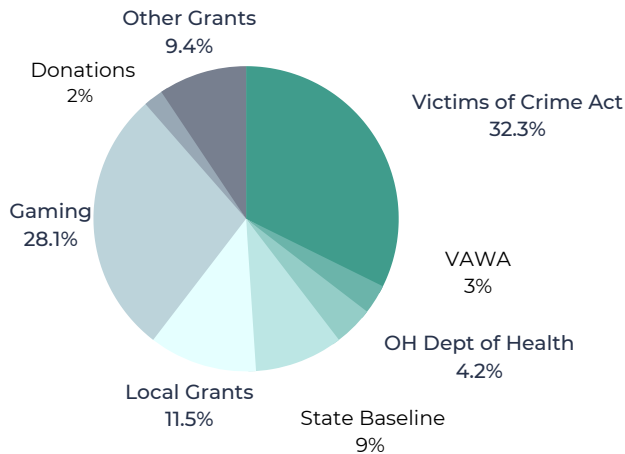
-CASA Volunteer

"In my life, I've been blessed with a lot of things over my years, and if I can give back to help others, I feel like I need to. I really enjoy the interaction with my ward. He is very social and appreciative. I find it very rewarding."

-CASA Volunteer



FINANCIAL REPORT

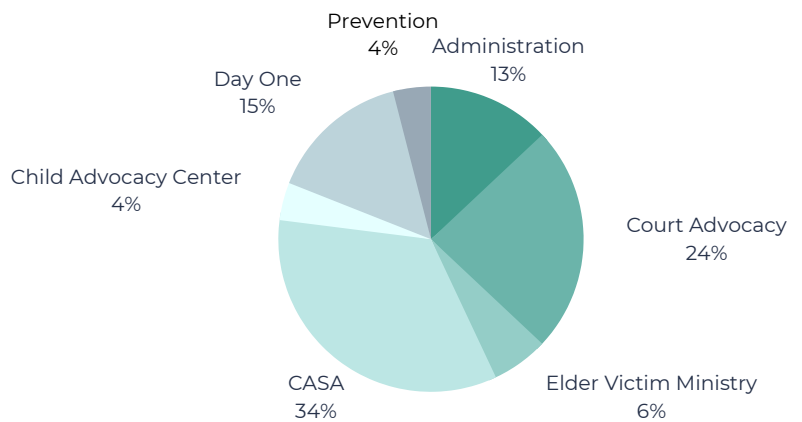


FUNDING INCOME \$3,182,001

This includes more than 28 different funding sources, including criminal fines and fees, taxes, gaming income, & state, federal and local grants.

EXPENSES \$2,972,976

This includes all direct service costs, including staff salary & benefits, outreach, volunteer recruitment, & emergency victim expenses.



40%

of total budget is VOCA funding, compared to 52% in 2020 and 76% in 2019

33%

of total budget is United Way, Bingo license, other grants & donations, compared to 23% in 2020 and 6% in 2019

\$594

Cost per victim with 36 staff and over 5,124 hours of volunteer work

LOOKING AHEAD

As the Board President of this outstanding organization, I want to say thank you and congratulations to the wonderful leadership of the Executive Director, David Voth and the many caring and dedicated men and women who support the mission and vision of Crime Victim Services.

Over the past 40 years I have observed the growth of the organization and its commitment to serve West Central Ohio. Despite recent challenges, we remain as committed as ever to providing for the safety, healing, justice, and restitution of crime victims in our community.

2022 will be a year of transition as we say goodbye our longest serving executive director and welcome a new leader who will help to carry forward our vision of a community free from violence and oppression. I look forward to seeing many more great things in the future as Crime Victim Services advocates, protects, and provides for rights of victims in the community.

To the 50+ community partners, 145 staff & volunteers and 137 donors, thank you. We couldn't achieve any of this without you.

Andrea King
President, Board of Directors

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