## ANNUAL REPORT



Rape Crisis Center 2021



# A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTORS.

The Rape Crisis Center (RCC) made great strides in our mission to ensure that survivors of sexual assault and their loved ones get the support and resources they need. In 2021 we have seen an increase in the number of survivors who have come forward seeking help as our community reopened and started recovery from COVID-19. We are deeply grateful for the support of our community and government partners keeping our doors open to continue to serve survivors.

We are looking forward to expanding our services, adding more counseling and case management to our offerings. We are working hard to create supportive and inclusive spaces for survivors of sexual assault and their families.

As we look ahead to the future, we remain committed to providing support, resources, and advocacy to survivors of sexual assault in our community. We are proud of the progress we have made in the past year and we are eager to continue to grow and build a better future for survivors.

We thank you for your dedication to RCC and look forward to continuing to work together in the coming years.

Sincerely,

The Directors of the Rape Crisis Center





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#### SURVIVOR SERVICES.

A major part of supporting survivors in 2021 was ensuring that all core sexual assault services were maintained and that we took the steps forward to build the capacity to safely offer in-person services, while maintaining remote services based on the comfort levels of our clients.



#### THE NUMBERS

2887

Calls on the Help Line

180

Hospital Accompaniments

262

**Legal Accompaniments** 

375

Emotional Support Clients

#### SURVIVOR SERVICES.



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Opening up our volunteer training to accept all genders. In the most recent training, the RCC added 14 new helpline volunteers.
- Introducing an expansion to our Therapy Services program to better meet the needs of our clients and the community, this includes the addition of Comprehensive Community Services into this program, increasing access to therapy for CCS eligible individuals in Dane County.
- In 2021, the Rape Crisis Center (RCC) provided mental health services to approximately 40 clients affected by sexual assault and their support people. Services included trauma therapy, provided via Zoom for security and privacy. All services were provided free of charge. Annie Bruns, MSW, and Heidi Kobor (SW intern) provided services, along with the lead staff member Maureen Marshall, Licensed Professional Counselor. Her favorite response from a client was "You're a mensch."
- Redesigning the documents clients receive at the hospital during a forensic nurse examination, this work was the direct result of the Education Coordinator who created a compact booklet using plain language.

# EDUCATION, OUTREACH, AND PREVENTION.

RCC's Education & Outreach Department provided trauma-informed programming throughout Dane County in 2021, collaborating with community partners and local leaders to coordinate actionable steps towards preventing sexual violence.





#### school highlights.

- Over 120 Presentations in Schools
- Reaching over 6,000 Students
- RCC completed Title IX Training that reached 71 Teachers and administrators
- RCC partnered with the Edgewood College Athletic Department to provide a series of workshops to the men's basketball and plans to present to the men's volleyball teams

# EDUCATION, OUTREACH, AND PREVENTION.

#### GameChangers.

Each year, RCC's GameChangers program brings together a cohort of students that use their passions and innovation to develop projects to engage their peers in sexual violence prevention and education. In 2021, this included:

- Creating a zine entitled "Dreaming Ourselves" in partnership with the Madison Print & Resist Madison Collective. The zine was featured at the Madison Print & Resist Fest event and was attended by over 200 community members.
- Developing a series of age-appropriate videos on YouTube about boundaries and bodily autonomy called "Consent For Kids."
- Leading an online workshop called "Consent During Covid" which was directed at teachers, school administrators, and other adults who work with students that had over 40 people in attendance.



#### **Community Highlights.**

- RCC's Safer Bar, which provides bystander intervention training for alcohol service staff, reached 80 individuals across Madison restaurants and bars
- Our multicultural outreach staff developed new online avenues for engaging the African American and Latinx community by offering our mindfulness live courses entirely in Spanish, and creating an online workshop for black mothers to aid in talking about sex and healthy relationships with their children.
- In partnership with OutReach LGBT Community Center, RCC created a monthly LGBTQIA+ support group
- RCC's Girls Group which focused on reengaging in-person with the focus on rural schools where African American students have limited resources and support

# EVENTS.

# SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

In 2021, the Rape Crisis Center acknowledged and took responsibility for our legacy of embodying white feminism and upholding the values of oppression that have harmed Black women, Black Trans women, and gender non-conforming Black persons throughout our history. In centering the Black experience, RCC used SAAM as opportunity to oppression as the root cause of sexual violence and without eradicating all forms of oppression, we cannot eradicate sexual violence.



Our 26th Java Jive was a rainy affair that halted our attempts to return for our first major inperson fundraising event...

But we had our mugs printed, logos made, and auction online, so we made something happen thanks to our amazing community of supports

\$60,000 in combined silent auction & sponsorships

#### FINANCIALS.

#### **Revenue:**

Government Grants: \$960,764

Other Grants: \$47.242

Contributions: \$246,333

Donated services, space, & materials: \$79,803

Program Revenue: \$127,339 Investment Return: \$34,647

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Agency Endowment Return: \$17,625

Other Income: \$407

**Total Revenue: \$1,514,460** 

#### **Expenses:**

Client Services: \$1,008,620

Outreach & Education: \$270,148

Management & General: \$223,301

Development & Fundraising: \$85,656

**Total Expenses: \$1,587,725**