

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **2011 Annual Report**

This past year, our agency celebrated 30 wonderful years of service to the community. In celebrating this milestone, it was also important to not only acknowledge our history, but build upon it. Through the years, the Center has experienced growth and a higher demand for service in virtually all of our program areas. We are very proud that we have consistently and courageously met the challenge and the need. This has been made possible through gaining the support of many and building community partnerships that are critical to our mission achievement.

Since 1981, Albion Fellows Bacon Center has assisted thousands of people in finding safe shelter, crisis intervention, referral, advocacy and support. We are dedicated to improving the quality of life for victims and their children in need of comprehensive services. Our agency's mission is to eliminate domestic and sexual violence in our communities through advocacy, education, support services and collaborative partnerships. All services are free, confidential, and although we accept victims from any geographic area, we have an 11-county service area.

Nearly 19,427 youth and adults took advantage of our programs and services in 2011. Our numbers speak for themselves, and I could not be prouder of our staff who never hesitate to go the extra mile to help meet the growing demand for service. To assist us meet those demands, we were also very fortunate to have the assistance and dedication of numerous volunteers and student interns who contributed countless hours of service. The following is an overview of our accomplishments:

- 8,288 nights of shelter (a 3% increase) were provided to 374 women and 295 children (374 unduplicated). (Since the economic downturn of 2009, we have experienced a 15% increase in nights of service). Women and children have a need to stay longer in shelter than they once did. As an emergency shelter, women and their children may stay with us for up to 45 days.
- The Outreach Program assisted 769 adults and 16 children throughout our eleven county service area. (22% increase in those served)
- The Legal Advocacy Program provided services to 661 residents of Vanderburgh County.
- Sexual Assault services were rendered to 829 primary and secondary victims of sexual abuse. (24% increase)
- The Peer Advocacy Program reached 573 individuals in Vanderburgh County. (12% increase)
- Calls to our two 24-hour crisis line totaled 3,361 and 807 individuals requested safe shelter.
- 9,020 students received valuable information on dating, domestic, cybersafety, sexual abuse and safe dates.
- Community education and training sessions reached 3,529 individuals throughout southern Indiana.

Awareness events continued to provide invaluable opportunities to reach various populations and age groups throughout southern Indiana. Crime Victims' Rights Week, Stalking, Teen Dating Violence, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Awareness Months activities not only attract hundreds of participants, but allow for systemic conversation and ultimately.... change. Our intention is to not only reach those who are suffering in silence, but to educate the public in order to change public opinion on these issues and increase sensitivity. Collaborative partnerships are vital in bridging gaps in our community to increase the likelihood that victims will be better served. We work tirelessly to foster wonderful working relationships with social service agencies, law enforcement, the Department of Child Services, the medical and criminal justice communities. We are active in several task forces and committees throughout our eleven county service area, as well as an agency member of Evansville-Vanderburgh County Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence and the Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Indiana Coalition Against Sexual Assault.

In addition and in partnership with awareness, in 2010, we first embarked on a prevention education approach, which is vital to changing the tide of violence in our society. We began to enhance our efforts to reach youth, and youth influencers. We first began with planning and preparing for the 2011 launch of "Safe Dates", a prevention curriculum that makes use of a multi-session approach to prevention aimed at youth. We also implemented the "In their Shoes: Teens and Dating Violence" curriculum which is a social simulation for parents and adults who work with youth to understand the teen experience of interpersonal violence. Both have been overwhelmingly received. Additionally, in response to the overwhelming needs of our community, we have been trying to build our volunteer base and transitioning both our volunteer program and our Outreach staff to be cross-trained in both domestic violence and sexual assault response, maintaining specialized areas but also maximizing the ability to respond to more people in need.

Local media outlets continued to be very good to us throughout 2011. From News25 underwriting our 2011 annual Gala: A Time of Celebration, to local radio stations covering fundraising events, the many articles and features in the Courier and Press, to the creation of 2 new PSAs that aired on all stations owned by Townsquare Media, to WFIE 14 airing a PSA specifically designed and produced by them to use during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. We can not thank our local media enough for the many connections we have been able to make with our community in need.

The generosity of our community continues to encourage and empower our agency. The kindness shown through donation of time, talent and treasure makes it possible for our agency to serve more victims in our community. We are a proud member of the United Ways of Southwestern Indiana, Posey and Gibson counties. For the second year, a benefit event was held at B.J.'s Home Accents whereby proceeds were split between Albion and the Santa's Clothes Club, just as are the proceeds from the annual Dave Duell Memorial Golf Outing. Proceeds of benefit activities such as the 2011 community production of the Vagina Monologues, directed by Steve Small, as well as the University of Southern Indiana and University of Evansville Vagina Monologues

university productions were given to us, continuing a long giving history. Many unique and fun events such as the Chi Epsilon Chapter of the Chi Omegas from the University of Evansville miniature golf event with proceeds donated to us, the North American “wife-carrying” event that Mike and Lisa Ulrich of Evansville participated in (in honor of their wedding anniversary) with sponsorship coming to Albion; and unique donations from businesses, such as Target who provides us with free toiletries, paper products, and cleaning supplies that allows for our dollars to be stretched further so we may ensure that vital service provision is possible. Through a grant that they were awarded, spearheaded by Angie Tennison of PCQuest, the business updated our agency website. The list of donors who remember our families at holiday time with gifts, food and toys are too long to mention....and so very appreciated.

In 2011 our agency was recognized as one of 10 agencies honored in a Community Recognition Ceremony at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Phenominal Women of University of Southern Indiana and Community event. This was a very special honor, celebrating agencies who serve women from all walks of life and have made contributions to diversity in our community. I was personally honored to be named as an Athena Award nominee in 2011. This gave me opportunity and platform to highlight and to put focus on the quality services provided by Albion Fellows Bacon Center. Additionally, our agency was able to celebrate a joint 30-year celebration with the Ark Crisis Child Care Center with a month-long awareness event in November whereby community members decorated and displayed at Old National Bank main headquarters, “hand” cut-outs with words of thanks, encouragement and celebration for the 2 agencies who work “hand in hand” to combat violence within families, and especially children of domestic violence and neglect. Thank you for your everyday partnership!

Even in the face of challenge, opportunity was found. In 2010, our agency had been recipient of the Vanderburgh Community Foundation’s Women’s Fund grant for our “Heart of the Home” kitchen renovation. Our shelter is 21 years old. All of our kitchen cabinetry/flooring/countertops were original and had seen it’s better days. I am happy to report that this renovation was completed in 2011. We are thankful to the Women’s Fund for this wonderful gift. We also received a community grant from the Vanderburgh Community Foundation for our “Safe Shelter Project” ...these are just a few examples of the wonderful assistance we gained in 2011. Contributors make it possible for Albion staff to continue important service provision in the tri-state. For a list of our contributors, visit our website ([www.albionfellowsbacon.org](http://www.albionfellowsbacon.org)).

Indeed, the past year has been a challenging one for the non-profit world; yet, beautiful opportunities have inspired our journey. Though stretched at times, we have met the challenge. From responding to victims at a local victim advocacy center, area hospitals, and law enforcement offices to courtrooms and safe shelter, our counselors, advocates, volunteers and board members continue to lend their support and expertise. Albion would not be the effective, comprehensive agency that it is without your dedication and support. Even in these challenging times, we are focused on the services that we provide; we are focused on those we serve; we are changing lives.

Thank you for being a special part of making our community a safer place, one person, one family at a time.

Candice L. Perry  
Executive Director

## **SHELTER PROGRAM 2011 Annual Report**

The Shelter Program provides safe shelter for women and their minor children who are victims of domestic and sexual violence and a variety of services. Such services are provided to achieve the ultimate goal of helping victims of domestic violence and their children identify, prepare, and strive toward the final goal of living in a violent-free relationship.

Victims and their children are accepted into shelter, not only from our eleven-county area, but from anywhere in the United States. As a shelter, we also maintain communication with shelters nationwide in the event a resident would need to be transferred to a safer location.

**24-HOUR CRISIS LINE:** When a person requests shelter, an assessment is conducted via our 24-hour crisis line to determine eligibility. In 2011, 3,361 crisis calls were received and 807 individuals requested shelter.

**ASSESSMENT:** When a person enters shelter, an intake is done; following the intake, a service plan is completed to determine the client's needs. Based on that assessment, referrals are given to other community agencies and the client is encouraged to follow up. In 2011, 1,024 referrals were provided to our women and children in shelter. Client goals are set on a weekly basis and are re-evaluated at these times.

**LEGAL ADVOCACY:** The Legal Advocacy Program Coordinator and Peer Advocate provide information concerning the legal system and how it may relate to the individual situation of each client. These advocates also help clients file protective orders, pro-se divorces, police reports, and victim crime compensation claims. The advocates refer shelter clients to other agencies which are more appropriate to handle a victim's immediate needs, such as legal assistance. The Program also provides vital support necessary to shelter clients when accompaniment is requested to the Prosecutor's Office, Police/Sheriff's Departments, attorney appointments and to court.

Legal advocacy was provided to 97 residents; 37 were assisted in obtaining protective orders, personal advocacy and court accompaniment was provided 199 times to those residents.

**FAMILY SERVICES COUNSELOR:** The Family Services Counselor meets with clients within 72 hours after entering shelter. This person conducts an initial interview in which she interviews the client in depth as to her family of origin, and full history of abuse beginning in childhood. In 2011, 104 initial interviews were conducted with women without children.

This hopefully will establish an emotional bond between the Family Services Counselor and the client that enables both of them to set the needed goals. The Family Services Counselor meets with the client on a daily basis to chart her emotional progress and to

offer support as needed. In 2011, the Family Services Counselor provided 815 hours in individual sessions. The Family Services Counselor meets with each client individually to formulate three written safety plans based on the client's situation. These safety plans may prove invaluable to the client should she choose to return to her abuser. In 2011, 104 clients developed safety plans. The client is given a copy of her safety plans to keep with her.

In 2011 the Family Services Counselor provided 73 support groups to 450 duplicated women in shelter. The topics included: "The Cycle of Violence", "Power and Control", "Why Women Stay", "Facts and Myths of Abuse", "Generational Cycle of Violence", "Tactics Used by Batterers" and documentary films. The support groups provide knowledge, which in turn empowers victims to be survivors.

The Shelter staff continues to play an important part in the community as well, and is recognized around the many tables that we partner with. The Homeless Healthcare Network, Mainstream Resources, Homeless Prevention Coalition and Steering Committee, Regional Peer Review Team and the Homeless Service Council are to name but a few of the areas of representation.

Throughout the year, interested individuals and businesses wanting to learn more about our agency take part in informational meetings and site visits. Community speaking engagements are also an essential component, bringing awareness of the Shelter Program services to the community.

**CHILD ADVOCACY:** Many of the children to whom we provide shelter are victims of physical, emotional or sexual abuse. We have continued to keep statistics on the children who come into the shelter as a means of giving us a more in-depth profile of a child living in an abusive environment.

Most domestic violence advocates agree that education equals prevention, prevention equals intervention and that is the only way to break generational violence that permeates our society. It is vital that children be educated as to what a healthy relationship is and how to handle their feelings of anger, shame and guilt. It is just as important that these children know who to go to for help if there is a violent incident, whether it's between adults or directed at them. We offer a comprehensive children's program that addresses all of the above issues using excellent assessment tools that include information not only from the parent but also the child. The abuse may come from one or both parents. We may observe some abuse from the victimized parent if the family remains in shelter long enough. Our goal is to assess and provide immediate intervention for the child.

**CHILD ADVOCATE:** The Child Advocate meets with the child, if age appropriate, and completes the intake. She then meets with the mother to obtain a more in-depth view of the abusive history and target any behavior problems the child may have. The Child Advocate will make the appropriate referrals based on that complete assessment.

In 2011, 157 unduplicated children entered shelter, an increase of 10 children. There were

64 initial interviews conducted on mothers; 501.75 individual hours spent in sessions on mothers; 109 safety plans on mothers; 128 referrals were made to outside agencies based on the Child Advocate's assessments; 51 safety plans on children were completed. The Child Advocate facilitated 72 children's groups.

Subjects included but were not limited to the following topics:

"My Shelter Book"	Self-Esteem
Feelings Are Important	Art Groups
Kindness to Animals	Healthy Relationship
Hands Are Not For Hitting	Dating Violence
Sexual Abuse	Choices
What is Abuse	Emotions
Say No to Drugs	Conflict Resolution
Call For Help (911)	Scary or Safe

This past year the Children's Program has teamed up with the staff and students from the Signature School to provide enrichment experiences for our children. These include:

- One-on-one mentoring
- Homework help
- Art projects
- Parties
- cMoe experience

Family outings are always a highlight for our children in the shelter. Places visited in 2011 include:

- AMC Theater
- Suessical the Musical
- Hadi Shrine Circus
- Evansville Otters Baseball
- Fall Festival
- CiCi's Pizza
- Children's Museum

Our Children's Program served 295 children, (157 unduplicated) this past year. In order to maintain those numbers we continue to nurture our most valuable relationships with volunteers and other community agencies. In 2011, 278 volunteers donated 411 hours of service to the shelter program. Our residents and children were able to participate in the following activities:

- Teen Power Easter Party

- Mother's Day Celebration
- YMCA Programs
- Christmas Party and Visit with St. Nick
- Valentine's Day Party

Our shelter staff also spearheaded, "Operation-Christmas". Letters were sent out at the end of October to announce our plea to provide Christmas for those in and outside of shelter who may not otherwise have a Christmas. We partnered with 57 businesses/groups and 68 individuals who donated to the cause. We received all we asked for and more. On Christmas morning, 25 women and 8 children celebrated in a mighty way at the shelter. Forty-nine (49) women and children were served outside of the shelter.

**SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS:**

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| Channel 25 Gala Interview                 | AFBC Board Meeting                             |
| Dream Center--site visit                  | Caze Elementary Faculty                        |
| Vectren VP Christmas Party                | Girl Scout Troop--Newburgh                     |
| Young Women Group                         | Harrison High School Project Orientation       |
| Vanderburgh United Way site visit         | Holly's House Intern—site visit                |
| Holly's House Employee—site visit         | Ivy Tech Counselors—site visit                 |
| United Way—Brake Supply                   | Posey County United Way—site visit             |
| USI Student--site visit                   | Temple Adath B'nai Israel Social Action Day    |
| Emmanuel Church Women's Group             | The Angels--site visit                         |
| Women's Foundation—site visit             | United Way Loan Executives--site visit         |
| WIKY Extortion Breakfast                  | United Way--City Clerk's Office                |
| Evansville Optimist Luncheon              | Vanderburgh County Women's Fund Annual Meeting |
| Crossroads Christian Church Women's Group | West Side Kiwanis                              |

**STATISTICS:** In an attempt to provide a more in-depth profile of the women we shelter, the following is a 2011 unduplicated statistical report that contains information regarding age, income, ethnic identity, and geographical information about our clients. This profile represents 217 women and 157 children, who were sheltered one time only from January through December, 2011. Our nights of service increased by 223.

<u>County and/or State</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Sheltered No. of Nights</u>
*Vanderburgh	176	122	6,868
*Warrick	8	1	211
*Posey	5	5	175
*Gibson	8	7	285
*Perry	1	0	67
*Dubois	3	4	196
Knox	2	0	43



Allen	1	0	2
Out of State	13	18	441
TOTAL	217	157	8,288

\* In Service area

Of the 217 women and 157 children who were sheltered in 2011:

80% from Vanderburgh County	1% from Indiana but not our service area
2% from Warrick County	5% from Crawford, Gibson, Pike, Perry, or Spencer Counties
3% from Posey County	9% from out of state

<u>Race</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Children</u>
Caucasian	72%	56%
African-American	21%	17%
Multi-Racial	4%	24%
Native American	2%	0
Asian	1%	3%

Out of the 100% race count 2% of those were Hispanic.

Of the 217 women sheltered, thirty-four (37%) percent entered shelter with children and 63 percent did not have children, or did not have them with them.

It bears mentioning that the number of child abuse responses is very low. One of the reasons for this results from the mothers' knowledge of our mandatory child abuse reporting status. Also, a mother and child may leave shelter before information can be gathered. Additional information gathered from intakes on the children is:

<u>Children's Ages</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
0 -- 12 months	10%
1 – 5 years	43%
6 – 12 years	40%
13 – 18 years	7%

<u>Female Children</u>	<u>Male Children</u>
45%	55%

<u>Adult Client's Age</u>	
23% 18-24	12% 47-57
35% 25-35	6% 58-68
24% 36-46	0% 69+

**Relationship to Abuser (abused by):**

5% Ex-Spouse  
25% Spouse  
47% Boyfriend

5% Family Member  
18% Other

**Client's Income**

58% 0 - 5,000  
32% 5,000 - 15,000  
8% 15,000 - 25,000  
1% 25,000 - 40,000  
0% 40,000+  
1% Unknown

**Abuser's Income**

29% 0 - 5,000  
21% 5,000 - 15,000  
6% 15,000 - 25,000  
1% 25,000 - 40,000  
9% 40,000+  
34% Unknown

**Follow-Up:**

9% Returned to Abuser  
4% Own Home without Abuser  
15% Friends  
2% Transitional Housing

20% Separate Residence  
15% Another Shelter  
24% Relatives  
11% Unknown

Forty-three (43%) percent of the clients polled stated they had been abused as children.

Abuse was always emotional, often physical, sometimes sexual, or a combination of all three. In gathering information regarding their abuser, thirty-one (31%) percent related that their abuser had been emotionally, physically or sexually abused as a child or a combination of all three.

Substance abuse continues to be interwoven into the fabric of domestic violence. Whether the victim uses alcohol or drugs to survive the abuse or the abuser uses alcohol or drugs as an excuse for the violent behavior, the result is the same. The issue of domestic violence cannot be addressed until substance abuse issues have been dealt with. What we can and do offer is safe shelter and emotional support to the victim and refer her to the appropriate agencies for help. Clients are provided a support group on substance abuse monthly. These are provided by other community agencies that are experienced in that area.

Fifteen (15%) percent stated they have substance abuse problems and fifty-three (53%) percent stated their abuser has a substance abuse problem.

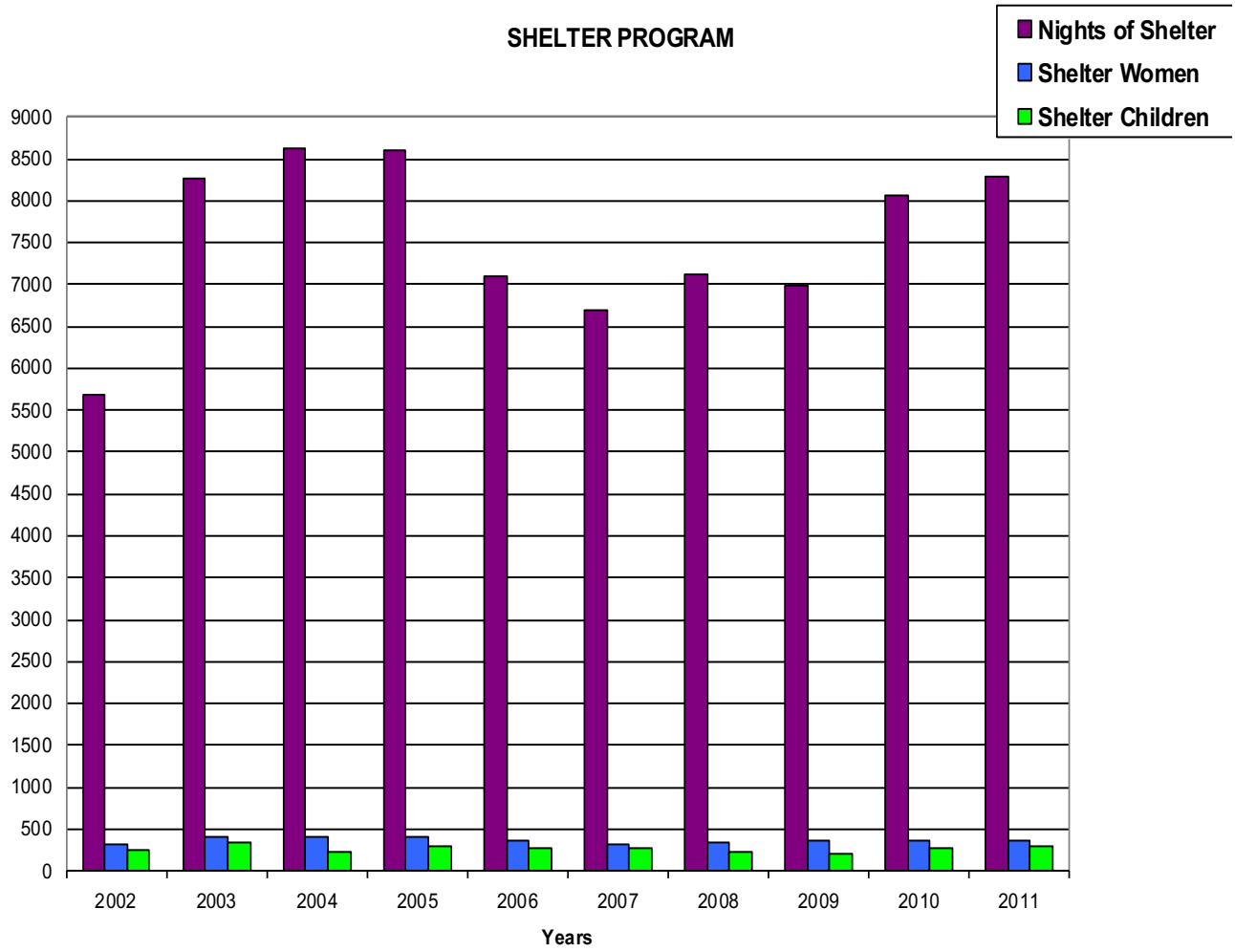
**CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM:** Of the clients polled, we received the following information:

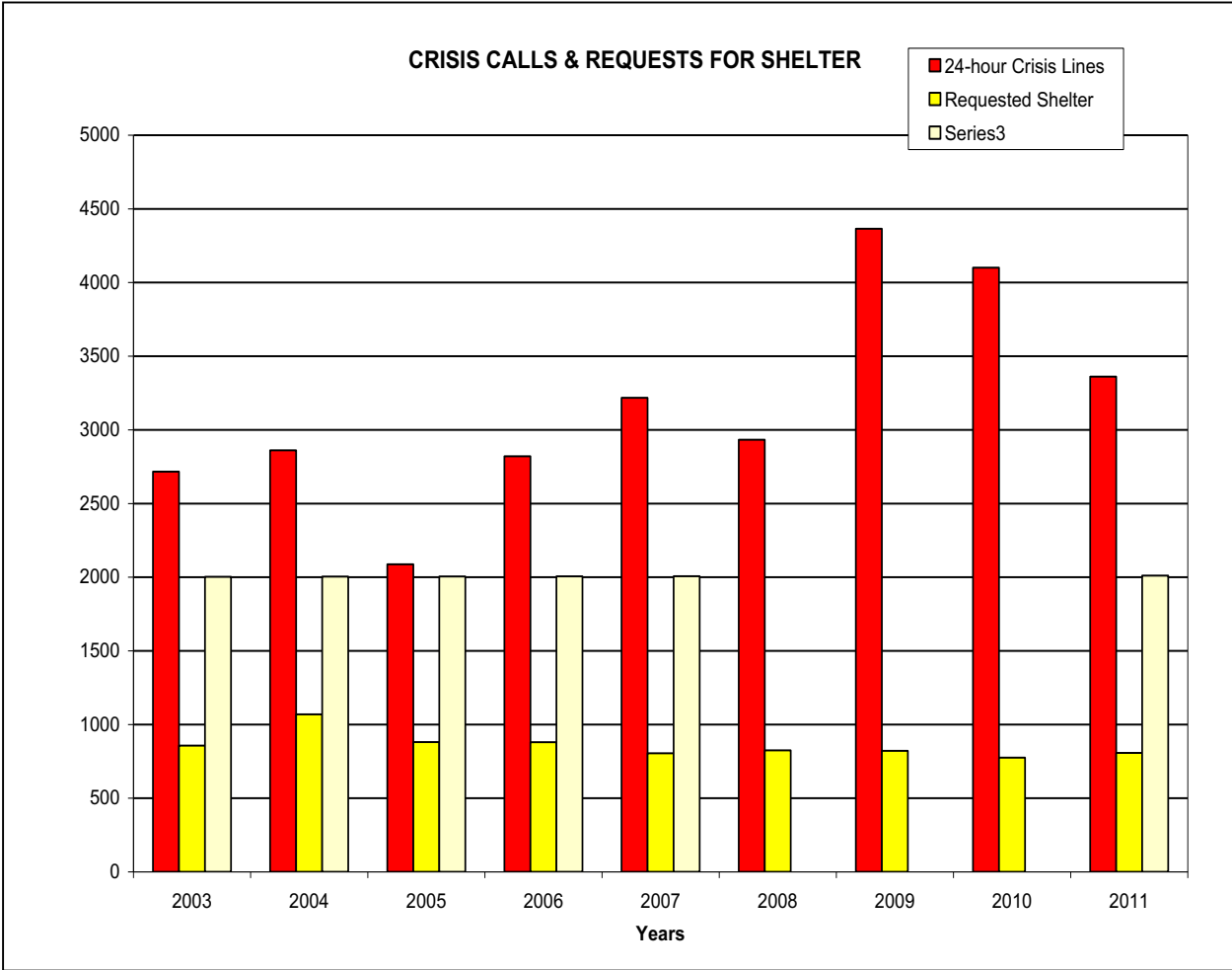
29% stated they contacted the police during a violent situation  
11% stated their abuser was arrested  
13% stated they filed charges against their abusers

- 7% stated that they had contact with the criminal justice system in some way but not with arrest or charges filed
- 49% nothing done

Jenny Ballard  
Assistant Director

### SHELTER PROGRAM





## LEGAL ADVOCACY PROGRAM 2011 Annual Report

**The Legal Advocacy Program** provides a range of comprehensive services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. The program offers support and advocacy and is designed to assist victims throughout the court process.

**Services include (but are not limited to):**

Information and referrals (shelter, counseling, access to legal services)

Crisis intervention

Safety planning

Court accompaniment to hearings

Court advocacy and assistance in applying for civil protective orders

Information about the criminal justice system

Victims Compensation

Victims' Rights Information

In addition, the advocates monitor the response of the court system and advocate for changes that are a benefit to domestic violence and sexual assault victims. We are a certified trainer for the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy and provide training to criminal justice professionals. We also attempt to educate the media and the community to the needs of domestic violence victims.

The Peer Advocacy Program falls under the umbrella of the Legal Advocacy Program. This is staffed by one coordinator, Gina Gist, and one Peer Advocate, Leslie James, who maintains a volunteer staff of peer advocates. The following are additional services provided by the Legal Advocacy Program (peer advocacy numbers are in a separate report):

Approximately **899** clients utilized the Legal Advocacy Program's services in 2011. The Legal Advocacy Program Coordinator met with **661** clients and the Peer Advocate met with an additional **238** legal advocacy clients.

**Of the 661 Legal Advocacy clients:**

**576** were primary victims and **85** were secondary victims

**51** were male

**456** clients were new

**56** were shelter residents

**24** were Peer Advocacy clients

**65** were Outreach clients

**14** were Sexual Assault clients

**35** were Misdemeanor Court Contacts

**DIRECT SERVICES**

**292 hours** were spent providing phone/crisis counseling

123 hours, 45 minutes were spent in individual counseling  
 463 hours, 30 minutes were spent in court  
 939 agency referrals provided to clients.

The following services were provided:

431	<b>Crisis counseling</b> -- in-person crisis intervention, emotional support, guidance and counseling.
525	<b>Follow-up contacts</b> -- in-person contacts, telephone contacts and written communication with victims to offer emotional support, empathetic listening, check on a victim's progress, etc.
661	<b>Crisis hotline counseling</b> – phone counseling which provides counseling, guidance, emotional support, information and referral, etc.
46	<b>Shelter/safe house</b> -- referral to both short and long term housing
244	<b>Information and referral</b> (in-person) -- in-person contacts with victims during which time services and available support are identified.
184	<b>Criminal justice support/advocacy</b> -- support, assistance and advocacy provided to victims at any stage of the criminal justice process.
12	<b>Emergency financial assistance</b> -- cash outlays for transportation, food, clothing, emergency housing, etc.
112	<b>Emergency legal advocacy</b> – assisting clients with filing protective orders, elder abuse petitions and child abuse petitions
11	<b>Assistance in filing compensation claims</b> -- making victims aware of the availability of crime victim compensation, assisting the victim in completing the required forms; may include follow-up contact with the victim compensation agency on behalf of the victim.
940	<b>Personal advocacy</b> -- assisting victims in securing rights, remedies and services from other agencies, intervention with employers, creditors and others on behalf of the victim, accompanying the victim to the hospital, etc.
656	<b>Telephone contacts</b> -- contacts with victims during which services and available support are identified.
51	<b>Transportation</b> – assisting clients with location transportation or providing transportation to a client.
418	<b>Safety Plan</b> – assisting clients with creating written or verbal safety plans
175	<b>Civil Court Accompaniment</b> – accompanying clients to non-criminal court proceedings (protective orders, small claims, divorce, etc.)
13	<b>Attorney Meeting Accompaniment</b> – accompanying clients to attorney appointments
2	<b>Photographing Injuries</b>
6	<b>Cell Phone-</b> provided Hopeline Phone or other phone to client

**Community Education:**

***Students***

USI (Education)	24 attending	Vanderburgh
Harrison HS Project Orientation	10 attending	Vanderburgh

Daisy Troop	16 attending	Vanderburgh
St. Matthew's UCC Children's Church	15 attending	Vanderburgh

**Community**

Volunteers of America	08 attending	Vanderburgh
Community Corrections	10 attending	Vanderburgh
UE Drug & Alcohol Institute	35 attending	Various
Branchvillex2	120 attending	Perry

**Law Enforcement/Security**

Posey Law Enforcement	30 attending	Posey
Southwestern IN Law Enforcement Academy	10 attending	Vand, Warrick, Spencer & Gibson
USI Security	5 attending	Vanderburgh

**Health Fairs/Pamphlets Distributed:**

- Vanderburgh Clerk's Office –Protective Order attachment & Advocate Information Sheet Vanderburgh
- Holly's House Spring Fair Vanderburgh
- Legal Aid Vanderburgh
- Warrick County 4-H Fair Warrick
- Bosse HS Vanderburgh
- Juvenile Court Vanderburgh
- Prosecutor's Office Vanderburgh

**Conferences/Workshops Attended:** The Legal Advocacy Program Coordinator attended the following trainings on various topics to enhance the services provided to clients. The following trainings were attended:

**Training Received:**

- What Community Agencies Need to Know, Vanderburgh
- In Her Shoes , Vanderburgh
- Beyond the Obvious: Responding to Domestic Violence Victims (Mark Wynn), Vanderburgh
- NCVRW Proclamation Ceremony, Vanderburgh
- Social Security Program and Open House, Vanderburgh
- Advocating, Investigating & Prosecuting Crimes Using Technology, Indianapolis
- Cultural Competency Training: Promoting the Effectiveness to Work with Latino Communities, Vanderburgh
- CPR/First Aid, Vanderburgh
- Break he Silence: Give Them a Voice (Latino Coalition Against DV & SA, Conference), Indianapolis
- Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Training, Vanderburgh
- Hopeline Conference Call, Vanderburgh
- Lucas Place II Open House, Vanderburgh



**Awareness/Media Activities:** Outreach workers are involved in raising awareness through media campaigns and community events throughout the year, especially during Domestic Violence Awareness Month and National Crime Victims' Rights Week. The following are some of the highlights.

- **Courier & Press**
  - Beyond the Obvious: Responding to Domestic Violence Victims featuring Mark Wynn
  - National Crime Victims' Rights Week
  
- **News 25**
  - Domestic violence Awareness Month Proclamation/Balloon Launch
  - Beyond the Obvious: Responding to Domestic Violence Victims featuring Mark Wynn
  - National Crime Victims' Rights Week
  - Protective Orders & Recent Domestic Violence Deaths
  
- **Fox 7**
  - National Crime Victims' Rights Week (morning show)
  
- **WFIE 14**
  - Beyond the Obvious: Responding to Domestic Violence Victims featuring Mark Wynn
  - National Crime Victims' Rights Week
  
- **Other**
  - Created PSAs for Domestic Violence Awareness Month activities
  - Created PSA's for National Crime Victims' Rights Week
  - Created PSA's for Stalking Awareness Month
  - Created PSA's for 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Prevention Training featuring Mark Wynn
  - Distributed press release for Walk a Mile in Her Shoes
  - Distributed press release for Sexual Assault Balloon Launches (Vanderburgh & Warrick)
  - Distributed press release for Take Back the Night
  
- **Domestic Violence Awareness Month Activities**
  - Created and distributed Calendar of Events
  - Arranged and attended DV mayor's proclamation at the Westside Nut Club Fall Festival
  - Distributed Heath Cares About Domestic Violence Day packets to Orthopedic Specialists
  - Organized and promoted Kipplee's Dine Out/Give-Back Day
  - Assisted and attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Flowers on the Lake
  - Organized and promoted the cell phone drive at Old National Bank

- Distributed ribbons to law enforcement to display on the antennas of their vehicles
- Distributed ribbons throughout the community

- **National Crime Victims Rights Week**

- Held proclamation kick-off ceremony with two survivors speaking. Balloon launch followed ceremony. T-shirts, pizza and drinks were provided to participants (50 attending)
- 1000 NCVRW coasters were distributed to restaurants and bars
- Ribbons were distributed at proclamation kick-off ceremony and at Holly's House Spring Fair
- Media campaign launched (see attached list)

- **Sexual Assault Awareness Month**

- Assisted with Take Back the Night
- Attended Sexual Assault Awareness Balloon Launch at UE

**Fundraisers:**

- Attended/Assisted with Timeless Celebration Gala
- Organized Kipplee's Dine Out/Give Back Fundraiser
- Collected Cell Phones for Shelter Alliance Recycling Program
- Organized Cell Phone Drive at Old National Bank

**Task Force/Meetings Attended:**

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| • Staff Meeting (AFBC)  | Vanderburgh |
| • Supervisors meeting (AFBC)  | Vanderburgh |
| • Cross County Meetings (bimonthly)                                     | Vanderburgh |
| • Enforcement and Treatment Committee of Mayor's Commission (secretary) | Vanderburgh |
| • National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW)                           | Vanderburgh |
| • DV & SA Mayor's Commission  | Vanderburgh |
| • Case Management (AFBC)  | Vanderburgh |
| • Awareness Committee (AFBC)  | Vanderburgh |
| • Warrick County Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Task Force          | Warrick     |
| • Harper Elementary Community Council Meeting                           | Vanderburgh |

**Special Events/Activities/Projects:**

**13<sup>th</sup> Annual Prevention Training: Beyond the Obvious: Responding to Domestic Violence Victims  
Featuring Mark Wynn**

- Collaborated with Daybreak Advocacy and Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office to organize the training

- Registered participants for training
- Compiled handouts for training
- Created and distributed press releases
- Solicited sponsorships for training
- Worked with Ivy Tech regarding room and technology needs
- Made lodging arrangements for Mark Wynn
- Secured CEU's through Deaconess Crosspoint for training
- Created certificates
- (2) one day trainings (**200 attending**)

**17 Legal agencies** represented: Evansville Police Dept, Vanderburgh Co. Sheriff's Office, Ft. Branch Police Dept., Haubstadt Police Dept., Princeton Police Dept., Gibson County Sheriff's Office, Spencer County Sheriff's Office, Owensville Police Dept., Rockport Police Dept., USI Security, Toyota Security, Boonville Police Dept., Vanderburgh Prosecutor's Office, Gibson Prosecutor's Office, Warrick Prosecutor's Office, Spencer Prosecutor's Office, Vanderburgh Superior Court

**33 Social Service agencies** represented (Vanderburgh, Warrick, Gibson, Posey and Spencer counties)

**Claire's Comfort for Kids:**

"Claire's Comfort for Kids" provides blankets to first responder patrol officers, who can offer them to children when they are called in to assist those involved in traumatic situations such as domestic or sexual abuse, separation from parents, etc. The hope is that these blankets will provide children comfort and a sense of security. We collected blankets throughout the year and distributed them to the Evansville Police Department and Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department.

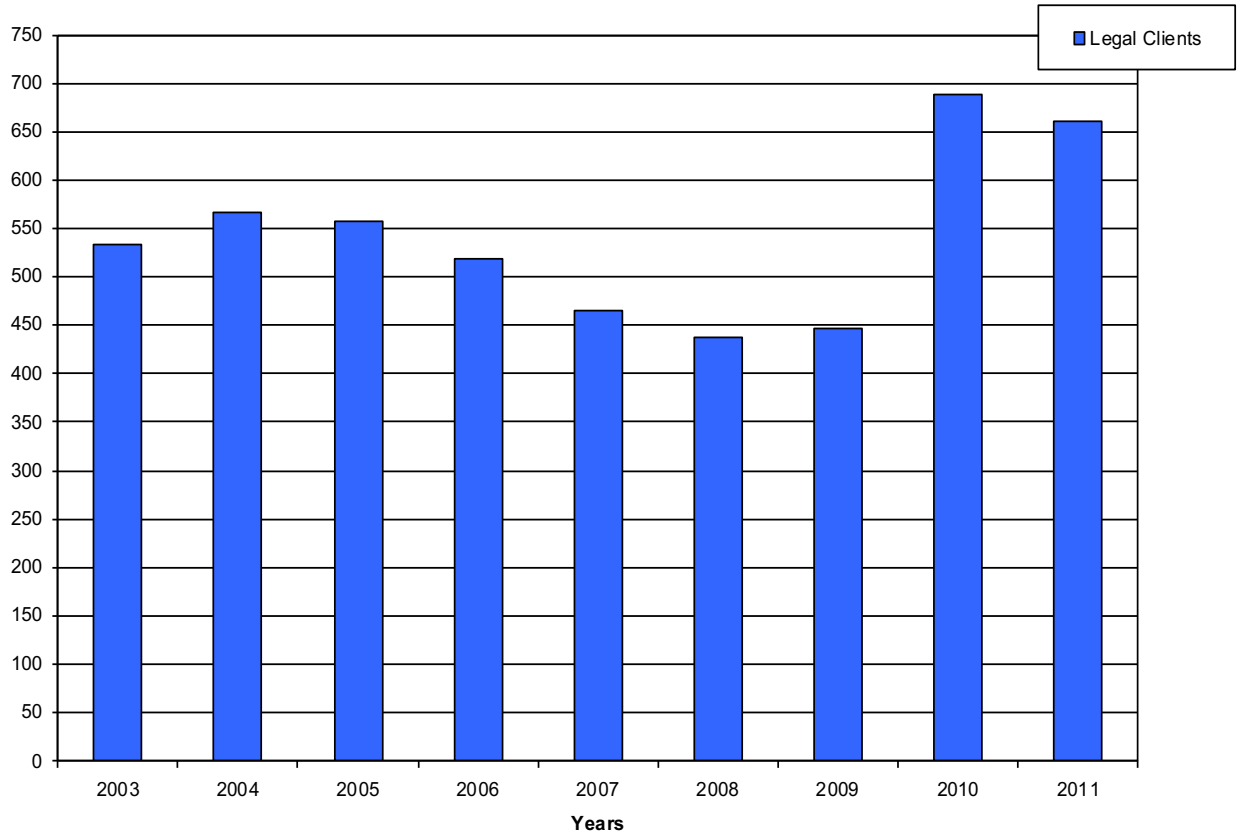
The Legal Advocacy Program Coordinator continued to attend **Misdemeanor Court** on Wednesdays (domestic violence trials) to speak to victims about options, services and what to expect with the legal system.

**Other:**

- Assisted with Albion Open House
- Attended Albion's support group at Deaconess Family Practice to discuss legal issues with clients
- Met with Heidi Lindblom, mediator to discuss her services
- Created and secured free printing for display board panels

Gina L. Gist  
Legal Advocacy Program Coordinator

### LEGAL ADVOCACY PROGRAM



## **PEER ADVOCACY PROGRAM 2011 Annual Report**

The Peer Advocacy Program was created in 1996 in partnership with the Evansville Police Department and continues to work closely with the Department. The Vanderburgh County based program is designed to provide information, emotional support and advocacy to victims of domestic violence during the post-crisis period. The primary goal of the Peer Advocacy Program is to increase the number of domestic abuse victims working towards violence-free futures. Peer Advocates play an important role in this goal by offering appropriate follow-up services to victims.

The Peer Advocacy Program utilizes volunteer advocates to provide services 24 hours a day, seven days a week. After completing the required training, the volunteer advocates provide coverage during on-call shifts. Each volunteer receives approximately 18 hours of domestic violence training on topics including crisis counseling, victim's options and available services, legal/personal advocacy and the dynamics of domestic violence. The volunteers spend a portion of their training time at Holly's House and the YWCA learning of their valuable services and also at the Evansville Police Department in their Ride-Along Program. By learning about and being able to offer different types of follow-up services within the community, the volunteer peer advocates are able to make the Peer Advocacy Program a truly community wide program.

The Peer Advocate also assists with client loads for the Legal Advocacy Program, assisting with Protective Order filing and court accompaniment. In addition to completing follow-up visits with a Detective from the EPD Domestic Violence Unit, the Peer Advocate works closely with the Prosecutor's Office and the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office in contacting victims of domestic violence for follow-up and to offer services.

The following is a breakdown of activity that occurred in the Peer Advocacy Program in 2011.

### **Client Services:**

A total of 570 people received services through the Peer Advocacy Program in 2010.

- ◆ 539 primary domestic violence victims (10 male)
- ◆ 58 secondary domestic violence victims (8 male)
- ◆ 5 adult sexual assault victims and secondary sexual assault victims
- ◆ 3 child sexual assault victims and secondary sexual assault victims
- ◆ 4 batterers (male/female)

These numbers do not necessarily add to the total served, as one person may fall into more than one category.

During 2011, 1,588 referrals were made to intra-agency services and 1,179 referrals were made to outside service providers. Due to confidentiality, follow-up statistics were not kept. Referrals were not broken down by agency, but included the following:

4C of Southern Indiana	Indiana Legal Services
AMENDS	Lampion Center
Angel Food Ministries	Legal Aid Society
ARK Crisis Child Care Center	Lucas Place
Animal Control/Pet Foster Homes	Mental Health America
Attorneys	Outreach Ministries
Aurora	Parenting Time Center
CAPE	St. Vincent DePaul
Catholic Charities	Salvation Army
Child Protective Services	SW Behavioral Health Care
Community Partners (Ireland & Luzio)	Stepping Stone
Deaconess Cross Pointe	Township Trustees
ECHO Community Health Care	United Way Call 211 for Help
Emergency Food Pantry Services	Vanderburgh County Department of Health
Evansville Association for the Blind	Vanderburgh County Humane Society
Evansville Christian Life Center	Vanderburgh County CASA
Evansville Housing Authority	Vanderburgh County Office of Family Resources
Evansville Police Department	Vanderburgh County Prosecutor
Goodwill Family Center	Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office
Healthy Families – Vanderburgh	Vocational Rehabilitation
Holly's House	Warrick County Sheriff's Office
Impact Ministries	Work One Evansville
	YWCA

Services provided to clients:

- ◆ 436 Crisis Counseling
- ◆ 311 Follow-up Contacts
- ◆ 158 Crisis Hotline Counseling
- ◆ 297 Shelter
- ◆ 2806 Information and Referral
- ◆ 45 Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy
- ◆ 7 Emergency Financial Assistance
- ◆ 88 Emergency Legal Advocacy (protective orders)
- ◆ 618 Personal Advocacy (including securing services from other agencies, intervention with employers, creditors or others, accompanying to hospital)
- ◆ 157 Phone Counseling/Contacts
- ◆ 161 Other Services (including spiritual concern need initiated by the client, photographing injuries, etc.)
- ◆ 0 Cell Phones Given Out

- ◆ 391 Safety Plans
- ◆ 71 Peer Advocacy Interventions
  - Holly's House: 25
  - Deaconess ER: 5
  - Deaconess Gateway: 3
  - Deaconess Family Residency Clinic: 1
  - Deaconess Women's Hospital: 1
  - St. Mary's ER: 14
  - Echo Clinic: 7
  - EPD (by phone): 1
  - Ruth's House: 1
  - Thompkins Middle School: 1
  - North High School: 1
  - Specialty Home Health Care: 1
  - The Crossing Apartments: 1
  - Southwestern Indiana Behavioral Health: 7
  - By Phone: 2

In addition, the Peer Advocate spent 243 hours in court providing Legal Advocacy.

The Peer Advocate attempted to contact 209 total victims referred by the following services:

- ◆ 39 by the Evansville Police Department (Det. on medical leave most of year)
- ◆ 162 by the Prosecutor's Office
- ◆ 8 by the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office

The Peer advocate successfully contacted:

- ◆ 134 primary victims
- ◆ 18 secondary victims
- ◆ 4 batterers

Literature concerning Albion's services was sent by mail or left at the home of the victim (when completing home visits with a DV detective) for those victims with whom the Peer Advocate did not have personal contact.

## **Volunteer Activity:**

The volunteers (12) provided 8,821 hours of on-call coverage. The Peer Advocate provided 2,384 hours of off-duty on-call coverage. The Peer Advocate continued in the role of Volunteer Coordinator. The Peer Advocate co-facilitated 3 new volunteer orientations for 6 volunteers and 6 interns. The Peer Advocate also interviewed 2 potential volunteers, interviewed 8 potential interns, trained 1 new Peer Advocacy Program volunteer and supervised 6 interns (who provided 724.5 hours of service) including meeting with their professors for midterm and final evaluations.

The Peer Advocate/Sexual Assault volunteer programs are moving to a cross trained model utilizing Crisis Response Advocates who will be dually trained and able to respond to both domestic violence and sexual assault crisis calls. In order to explain these changes to our existing volunteers, the Peer Advocate coordinated a volunteer retreat which was held in August 2011. Following this retreat, the Peer Advocate and the Senior Victim Support Specialist worked together to begin cross training volunteer advocates. It is a goal of the volunteer program to have all existing volunteer advocates cross trained by the end of 2012. All new Crisis Response Advocate volunteers are being cross trained as part of their initial training.

The volunteer program has been updated. A new pamphlet and application are being created. New volunteer areas have been identified. They are:

**Direct Service**

Crisis Response Advocate  
 Crisis Line Operator  
 Court Advocate  
 Support Group Assistant  
 Children’s Activities Volunteer

**Indirect Service**

Donations Volunteer  
 Shelter Volunteer  
 Community Education Volunteer  
 Special Events Volunteer  
 Administrative Volunteer

The Peer Advocate updated volunteer program forms and training materials for Peer Review and participated in the Volunteer Program section of Peer Review.

**Community Education:**

The Peer Advocate participated in presentations to the following:

<b><u>Agency</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>	<b><u>Participants</u></b>
Rescare	Vanderburgh	5
Deaconess Family Residency Clinic	Vanderburgh	27
Labor Temple	Vanderburgh	2
Substance Abuse Council	Vanderburgh	55
Orthopedic Associates Gateway	Vanderburgh	20
Orthopedic Associates Columbia	Vanderburgh	45
Planned Parenthood	Vanderburgh	4

**Task Forces / Committees:**

- ◆ Cross-County Case Management Meetings for Domestic Violence
- ◆ National Crime Victims’ Rights Week Committee
- ◆ Holly’s House Multi-Disciplinary Team
- ◆ Holly’s House Case Management



- ◆ Evansville Vanderburgh County Commission Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
  - Enforcement/Treatment Subcommittee
- ◆ Awareness Committee
- ◆ Gala Committee
- ◆ HELP Meetings
- ◆ AFBC Staff Meetings

## **Media**

- ◆ WIKY radio – Extortion Breakfast to promote Gala
- ◆ Fox 7 Morning Show (Vagina Monologues)
- ◆ Appeared in commercial for National Crime Victims’ Rights Week (MediaMix)
- ◆ PSA (volunteer program)
- ◆ WIKY interview w/Dave Lyons (volunteer program)
- ◆ WJLT Radio (volunteer program)

## **Workshops / Trainings and Conferences Attended:**

- ◆ Weakfish: Bullying Through the Eyes of a Child
- ◆ Department of Family Resources: What Community Agencies Need to Know
- ◆ In Their Shoes: Teen Dating Violence Simulation
- ◆ Recruiting and Retaining Great Volunteers Webinar
- ◆ Beyond the Obvious: Responding to Domestic Violence Victims (Mark Wynn)
- ◆ Child Sexual Abuse: A Medical and Legal Update Webinar (Dr. Richard Kaplan)
- ◆ Potter’s Wheel Program Overview
- ◆ Domestic Violence and Substance Abuse (Bill Braun)
- ◆ Ark Crisis Nursery Program Overview
- ◆ Adult, Child, Infant CPR/AED/First Aid
- ◆ Health Insurance In-Service (Roger Garrett)
- ◆ Evansville Vanderburgh County Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence Retreat
- ◆ The Complex Dynamics of Intimate Partner Violence in the Lives of Veterans Webinar
- ◆ Grief, Loss and Domestic Violence (Carla Gaff Clark)

## **Health Fairs/Pamphlets Distributed**

- ◆ Weakfish: Bullying Through the Eyes of a Child (60 people)
- ◆ Delivered information packets (Do’s and Don’ts, Red Flags, how health professionals can help with DV screening) on “Health Cares About Domestic Violence Day” to Orthopedic Specialists and Mental Health Specialists offices (reached 40 doctors and their staff)
- ◆ Distributed Albion Pamphlets to

- Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office
- Holly's House
- St. Mary's Hospital ER
- Central Dispatch
- Stepping Stone
- Vanderburgh County Clerk's Office
- YWCA
- Deaconess Gateway
- Southwestern Indiana Behavioral Health Center
- Deaconess Family Residency Clinic
- ECHO Clinic
- University of Evansville (Chi Omega)

- ◆ Ivy Tech Spring/Fall Student Health Fairs (400 people)

### **Awareness Events**

- ◆ National Crime Victims Rights Week
  - Met with potential speaker for Kick Off Ceremony
  - Picked up balloons and attended Kick Off Ceremony
- ◆ Assisted with set up and participated in Walk a Mile in Her Shoes Event
- ◆ Assisted with handing out t-shirts and participated in Take Back the Night
- ◆ Made awareness ribbons for Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- ◆ Delivered awareness ribbons to EPD, VCSO, Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office, Courthouse and Civic Center
- ◆ Promoted Kipplee's give back event and cell phone collection drive at Old National Bank
- ◆ Flowers on the Lake
  - Contacted Evansville State Hospital to request use of grounds and lake
  - Met with Finance Director to obtain Certificates of Liability insurance for Evansville State Hospital and University of Evansville
  - Helped with set up for event
  - Read statistic during event
- ◆ Health Cares About Domestic Violence Day
  - Wrote letter to health professionals about how to screen patients for domestic violence
  - Put together packets with letter, Do's and Don'ts, Red Flags, AFBC services
  - Delivered packets to Orthopedic Specialists and Mental Health Specialists
- ◆ Fall Festival
  - Helped build float
  - Rode on float during parade
  - Hung DV awareness ribbons on doors of businesses down Franklin Street during Fall Festival week

## Other Projects / Activities

### Gala

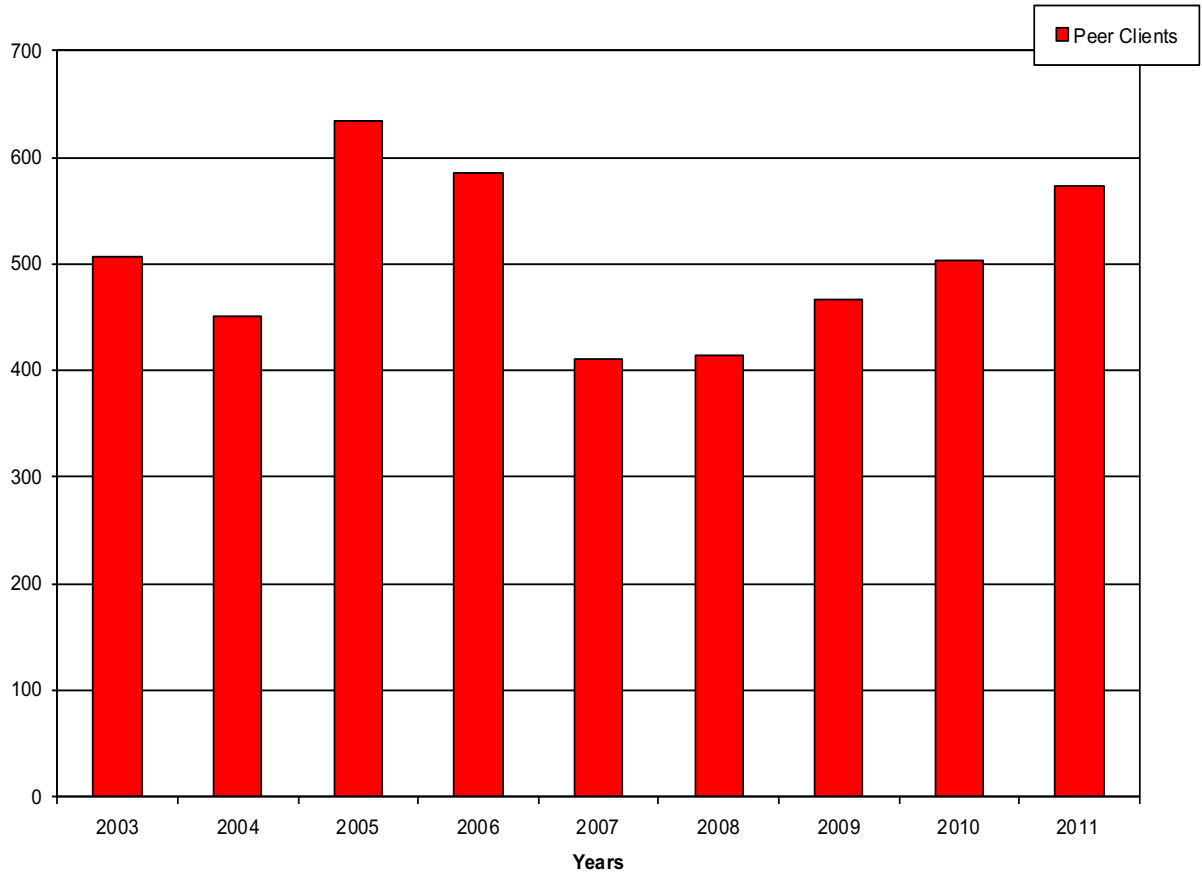
- ◆ Secured donation of flowers from Cottage Florist for centerpieces
- ◆ Picked up donations
- ◆ Recruited/Organized volunteers
- ◆ Coordinated volunteer assignments
- ◆ Set Up
- ◆ Worked Silent Auction/Attended
- ◆ Cleaned Up

### Other:

- ◆ Continued working with YWCA and Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office to strengthen Prosecutor Follow Up Visits (meeting with victims who want to sign a "No Prosecution" affidavit)
- ◆ Covered Misdemeanor Court for Legal Advocate
- ◆ Covered on call for SA program/began cross training to be prepared to respond to SA calls
- ◆ Presented Peer Advocacy Program updates and changes to all CIC's at monthly CIC meeting
- ◆ Assisted Legal Advocate in set up and registration for 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Prevention Training
- ◆ Continued collaboration with USI service learning students/professor on creation of new training video for volunteers
- ◆ Met with AFBC/Holly's House Staff to discuss service delivery
- ◆ Was interviewed by Ivy Tech Student on PA program role, AFBC services and DV dynamics
- ◆ Met with Executive Director to discuss writing a letter for Volunteer Appreciation and a welcome letter for new volunteers
- ◆ Met with man from Ozanam to show him kitchen appliances
- ◆ Coordinated program/agency orientation for Holly's House Intern
- ◆ Met with Heidi Lindblom, Mediator, to discuss her pro-bono mediation services
- ◆ Attended Lucas Place II Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- ◆ Attended Albion and Arc Crisis Child Care's Hand in Hand 30 year celebration event
- ◆ Presented PA Program overview to: 2 new employees, Board of Directors, and 1 Holly's House Intern

Leslie James  
Peer Advocate

### PEER ADVOCACY PROGRAM



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT OUTREACH PROGRAM 2011 Annual Report

The Outreach Program works collaboratively with communities to empower victims, survivors, and persons affected by domestic violence and sexual assault in the counties of Vanderburgh, Warrick, Posey, Pike, Gibson, Spencer, Dubois, Perry, Orange, Crawford and Harrison Counties.

We accomplish this objective through:

- **Crisis Counseling** – provided by phone or in-person to educate the client on the dynamics of domestic violence and to explore options.
- **Support Groups** – to assist clients in working through the normal emotional reactions to abuse. Helps break down isolation and allows clients the opportunity to receive support and encouragement from other survivors.
- **Legal Advocacy** – designed to ease some of the stress and intimidation in dealing with the legal system. Accompaniment during civil/criminal processes and explanation of legal options provided.
- **Information and Referral** – available to assist clients in accessing support services from community agencies (housing, financial, therapy, etc.).
- **Community Education** – designed to provide speaking engagements, workshops and training programs on domestic violence, dating violence, healthy relationships and technology safety.
- **Awareness Events** – Outreach staff plan and organize events for Domestic Violence Awareness Month and National Crime Victims Rights Week.

### Sexual Assault Victims Statistical Breakdown

Primary Victims	404 clients
Secondary Victims	<u>470 clients</u>
Total:	<u>874 clients</u>

(34% increase from 2010)

### Breakdown of Sexual Assault Victimization

Child Victims	79
Male Victims	107
Female Victims	688

51 % of our clients were under the age of 25

## Sexual Assault Client Service Units

Crisis Calls	790
Crisis Intervention and Counseling	717
Medical Accompaniment	64
Deaconess-Main Campus	28
Deaconess-Gateway	15
St. Mary's	21
Other Medical	0
Legal Advocacy	39
Court Accompaniment	68.50 hours
Attorney Accompaniment	5.25 hours
Holly's House Response	234
Provided Advocacy Hours	140 hours
On site request to VCSD	3

## Domestic Violence Victims Statistical Breakdown

Adult victims	769 Clients
Teen victims	<u>16 Clients</u>
Total: 785 clients	

## Outreach Client Service Units

Crisis Counseling	393
Follow-up Contacts	411
Group Treatment/Support	300
Crisis Hotline Counseling	577
Shelter/Safe House	11
Information and Referral	175
Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy	59
Emergency Financial Assistance	04
Emergency Legal Advocacy	76
Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims	01
Personal Advocacy	102
Telephone Contacts	492

- 93 support groups were held with 179 Outreach Clients Attending
- 424 hours and 45 minutes where spent in support group.
- 239 hours were spent in phone/crisis counseling
- 296 hours and 30 minutes where spent in individual counseling
- 123 hours and 45 minutes providing legal advocacy.

## Community Education

### Schools: schools, attending

<b>Elementary Schools</b>	<b>Attending</b>	<b>County</b>
Joshua Academy	73	Vanderburgh
Lincoln School	4	Vanderburgh
Hebron	40	Vanderburgh
Dexter	214	Vanderburgh

***Total Elementary***                      **331**

<b>Middle Schools</b>	<b>Attending</b>	<b>County</b>
Evans MS	11	Vanderburgh
Glenwood MS	270	Vanderburgh
Haubstadt MS	124	Gibson
Owensville MS	110	Gibson
Paoli Jr HS	104	Orange
Princeton MS	136	Gibson
Resurrection MS	136	Vanderburgh
Southridge MS	240	Spencer
Thompkins MS	104	Vanderburgh
Tecumseh MS	151	Warrick
Washington MS	404	Vanderburgh
Wood memorial MS	135	Gibson

***Total Middle Schools***                      **1,925**

<b>High Schools</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>County</b>
Bosse HS	20	Vanderburgh
Boonville HS	180	Warrick
Crawford Co. HS	44	Crawford
Evansville Day School	22	Vanderburgh
Gibson Southern HS	392	Gibson
Harrison HS	746	Vanderburgh

Mater Dei HS	57	Vanderburgh
Memorial HS	344	Vanderburgh
Mt. Vernon HS	115	Posey
North HS	790	Vanderburgh
North Posey HS	143	Posey
Orleans HS	40	Orange
Paoli HS	105	Orange
Pike Central HS	233	Pike
Princeton Community HS	174	Gibson
South Spencer HS	110	Spencer
Spring Valley HS	76	Orange
Signature School	40	Vanderburgh
St. Peter and Paul HS	150	Gibson
Tecumseh HS	268	Warrick
Wood Memorial HS	100	Gibson
<b>Total High Schools</b>	<b>4,149</b>	

<b>Universities</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>County</b>
USI	516	Vanderburgh
UE	90	Vanderburgh
Harrison College	26	Vanderburgh
Ivy Tech	82	Vanderburgh
Oakland City University	57	Gibson
<b>Total Universities</b>	<b>771</b>	

**Prevention Education: 8 Agencies, 518 Attending**

**SAFE DATES:** A ten or six session dating abuse prevention program geared towards middle and high school students. Safe Dates strives to equip teens with the skills to develop healthy dating relationships, including positive communication, anger management, and conflict resolution. Teens learn the skills and resources to help themselves or friends in abusive dating relationships. (All sessions of curriculum completed.)



<b>Agency</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Participants</b>
Dream Center	Vanderburgh	82 participants
Life Choices	Vanderburgh	46 participants
North High School	Vanderburgh	34 participants
United Methodist Home (2 groups)	Vanderburgh	154 participants

**Total: 316 participants**

CHOOSE RESPECT: This program is an initiative to help adolescents ages 11 to 14 form healthy relationships to prevent dating abuse before it starts. This national effort is designed to motivate adolescents to challenge harmful beliefs about dating abuse and take steps to form respectful relationships.

<b>School</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Students</b>
Crawford County High School	Crawford	44 Students
Southridge Middle School	Dubois	126 Students

**Total: 170 students**

In Their Shoes Simulations: A program directed for adults provides a snapshot of unhealthy teen relationships and generated a thoughtful discussion about how adults may better understand and more effectively engage with teens.

<b>Agency</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Participants</b>
IYI	Posey	16 participants
AFBC Staff	Vanderburgh	16 participants

**Total: 32 participants**

**Agencies : 34 Agencies, 1,276 Attending**

<b>Agencies</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>County</b>
Albion Board Meeting	17	Vanderburgh
Albion Shelter Residents	16	Vanderburgh
AFBC Staff, Board, volunteers	16	Vanderburgh
AFBC Volunteers	4	Vanderburgh
Body Works	72	Vanderburgh
BNI	30	Vanderburgh
Branchville	410	Perry
Dream Center	90	Vanderburgh
Eastside Optimist Club	20	Vanderburgh
Evansville Treatment Center	17	Vanderburgh
Evansville Christian Life Center	6	Vanderburgh

Girls in Bloom	60	Vanderburgh
Ivy Tech Counseling Center	2	Vanderburgh
Joshua Academy Parents	30	Vanderburgh
Life Choices	5	Vanderburgh
Memorial Baptist Church	4	Vanderburgh
Orthopedic Associates	30	Vanderburgh
Parents Group from Lincoln	20	Vanderburgh
Planned Parenthood	5	Vanderburgh
Posey County IYI Group	20	Posey
Posey county Law Enforcement	40	Posey
Posey County United Way	2	Posey
ResCare	5	Vanderburgh
Southern Indiana SANE/SART	12	Multiple
Southern Indiana Law Enforcement	11	Vanderburgh
St. Mary's SANE Advocacy Hours	2	Vanderburgh
USI Security	9	Vanderburgh
UE Drug and Alcohol Institute	35	Vanderburgh
USI Counseling Center	9	Vanderburgh
United Methodist Group Home	22	Vanderburgh
Vanderburgh CASA	30	Vanderburgh
Warrick CASA	15	Warrick
Youth Build	46	Vanderburgh
Youth Care Center	164	Vanderburgh
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,276</b>	

### **Task Force/Meetings:**

- AFBC Staff Meeting Vanderburgh
- AFBC Annex staff meetings Vanderburgh
- AFBC Awareness Committee Meeting Vanderburgh
- AFBC Supervisors Meeting Vanderburgh
- Eville-Vand. Mayor's Commission Education Committee Vanderburgh
- Warrick County DV & SA Task Force & Ed. Meeting Warrick
- Website Meeting Vanderburgh
- Gibson County DV & SA Task Force Gibson
- Gibson Community Foundation Meeting Vanderburgh
- October Domestic Violence Awareness Committee Vanderburgh
- Spencer County Domestic Violence Task Force Spencer
- Holly's House Meeting Vanderburgh
- Victims' Rights Awareness Committee Vanderburgh
- United Way Site Visit Vanderburgh
- Met with two USI Students About Teen Violence Vanderburgh
- White Ribbon Meeting with Stacia from Holly's House Vanderburgh
- Met with Daybreak Advocacy about Gibson  
Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

- Meet with ECLC about Prevention Efforts Vanderburgh
  - Jr. League Grant Site Visit Vanderburgh
  - Met with Chris Lothamer, YWCA, to discuss support group Vanderburgh
  - Joshua Academy meeting to discuss Cybersafety Vanderburgh
  - Participated in Women's Issues discussion from IWC @ UE Vanderburgh
  - Meeting with Self Defense Fundraiser Group Vanderburgh
  - Technology Meetings with Website Creator Vanderburgh
  - Met with Laura Keys about Cybersafety and Safe Dates Vanderburgh
  - Site Visit with Janet from INCASA Vanderburgh
  - Met with ETC to discuss potential group facilitation Vanderburgh
  - Met with Deaconess Family Practice to evaluate group Vanderburgh
  - Met with Hoosier Hills Pact about White Ribbon Campaign Orange
  - Met with Crisis Connection about Prevention Education Efforts Spencer
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- Met with Harrison HS Students about Student Project Vanderburgh
  - UE Women's Awareness Group Meeting Vanderburgh
  - Oaklyn City University Involvement Meeting Gibson
  - INCASA Membership Meeting Marion
  - Region 17 SART Spencer
  - Spencer County DV/SA Task Force Spencer
  - Albion Supervisor's Meeting Vanderburgh
  - Albion's Staff Meeting Vanderburgh
  - Albion's Awareness Meeting Vanderburgh
  - Case Management with Holly's House Vanderburgh
  - Cocoa Meeting Vanderburgh
  - Commission Treatment / Enforcement Committee Vanderburgh
  - Harrison High School Project Meeting Vanderburgh
  - Holly's House MDT Vanderburgh
  - Lucas Place II Tour and Meeting Vanderburgh
  - National Crime Victim Rights' Planning with VCPO Vanderburgh
  - Regional SART-Vanderburgh, Warrick, Posey County Vanderburgh
  - St. Mary's Child Trauma Care Meeting Vanderburgh
  - Southern IN LEA meeting Vanderburgh
  - Victim's Crime Rights Week Mtg Vanderburgh
  - Walk a Mile in Her Shoes Planning Vanderburgh
  - White Ribbon Campaign Planning Vanderburgh
  - Women's Law Group Vanderburgh
  - Communities that Care Warrick
  - Warrick County DV/SA Task Force Warrick

### **Website / Newsletter**

- Sent out November / December Newsletter
- Updated Website with Christmas Wishlist

- Updated Website with October Awareness Events
- Updated Facebook with October Awareness Events
- Sent out an events notice email alert
- Facebook DV Statistic Everyday in October
- Created and emailed Vagina Monologue Flyer
- Sent out Teen Dating Violence Newsletter
- Updated web on Teen Dating Violence and April Awareness Events
- Met with PC Quest about Website

### **Health Fairs/Pamphlets Distributed:**

- Created informational packets for school counselors and social workers, various
- McGary Resource Health Fair, Vanderburgh
- Coordinated the creation of Prevention education Pamphlet with Garrett Printing
- Meade Johnson Agency Fair, Vanderburgh
- Designed Flyer for Commission Retreat, Vanderburgh
- DCS Office, Vanderburgh
- EVSC Tech Center, Vanderburgh
- United Fidelity Bank, Warrick

### **Training Received:**

- CPR & AED
- First Aid
- Tour of Lucas Place 2
- Commission Retreat
- Heather's Law Training Conference Call by ICADV
- Brentwood Meadows In-service at Staff Meeting
- Mark Winn Training
- INCASA Conference
- Technology Safety Training by INCASA and ICADV in Indianapolis
- Prevention Education Webinar
- Latino Coalition Cultural Sensitivity Training at YWCA
- CPS child intervention model
- Prevention Education Training in Indianapolis
- Prevention Institute Training in Indianapolis
- Window Between Worlds Webinar Training
- Cultural Competency Training at Holly's House
- Safe Dates Training in Marion County
- National Sexual Assault Conference in Baltimore
- Cybersafety training in Indianapolis
- RPE Webinar
- Conference Call for S.O.C.
- Advanced Domestic Violence Training
- Ben Atherton-Zeman @ USI
- Staff Retreat

- Understanding Primary Prevention

### **Media:**

- Distributed press release for Stalking Awareness Month.
- Mayor's Proclamation
- Courier & Press, "Flowers on the Lake" interview
- Interview with TV station about DV awareness Month
- Interview with Courier & Press about DV Awareness Month
- Boonville Standard-Warrick County Balloon Release-Before
- Boonville Standard-Warrick County Balloon Release-After
- Evansville's Courier and Press-Brief Warrick County Balloon Release
- Evansville's Courier and Press-Brief Vanderburgh County Balloon Release
- Evansville's Courier and Press-Brief Walk A Mile in Her Shoes
- Evansville's Courier and Press-Brief-Take Back the Night
- Evansville's Courier and Press-Walk a Mile in Her Shoes Article, after walk
- Evansville's Courier and Press-Take Back the Night article, after walk
- Fox 7-Walk a Mile in Her Shoes and Balloon Release
- Media Mix-National Victims Crime Rights Week
- WEHT 25-Walk a Mile
- WEHT 25-Warrick County Balloon Release
- WFIE 14-Posey County Balloon Release
- WFIE 14- Vanderburgh County Balloon Release
- WIKY 104.1FM-Vanderburgh County Balloon Release
- WIKY 104.1FM-Take Back the Night
- WIKY 104.1FM-Domestic Violence Awareness Proclamation

### **Awareness Month Activities:**

- February Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month—Heart on Your Sleeve Campaign at 7 schools with 235 students signing the pledge.
- INCASA Balloon Release in Gibson County with 20 participants
- INCASA Balloon Release in Posey County with 25 participants
- INCASA Balloon Release in Vanderburgh County with 30 participants
- National Crime Victims Rights Week Kick-off in Vanderburgh with 40 participants
- Take Back the Night in Vanderburgh County with 65 participants
- Walk a Mile in Her Shoes in Vanderburgh County with 350 participants
- INCASA Balloon Release in Warrick County with 20 participants
- October Mayor's Proclamation & bubbles, over loud speaker at event, Vanderburgh
- October Fall Festival Parade (float with Sigma Phi Alpha), Vanderburgh
- October Children's Art Event (CMOE), Vanderburgh
- October Ribbons distributed to law enforcement for their vehicles, Vanderburgh
- Purple ribbons distributed throughout the community, Vanderburgh
- Health Cares About Domestic Violence Day-Orthopedic, Vanderburgh
- "Flowers on the Lake" dedicated to victims and survivors, 50 attending, Vanderburgh

- Partnered with UE Women’s Awareness Group

**Volunteer Activity:**

Vanderburgh County Hours	5,183 hours
Warrick County Hours	6,736 hours
Victims Support Specialist Back-up Hours	3,888 hours
Sexual Assault Program Coordinator Back-up Hours	3,504 hours
Peer Advocate Back-up Hours	816 hours
Information Packets Sent to Potential Volunteers	6 people
Potential Volunteers Interviewed	3 people
Volunteers who received initial training from VSS	9 people
Volunteers who received SA Advocacy Training from SAPC	14 SAVAs

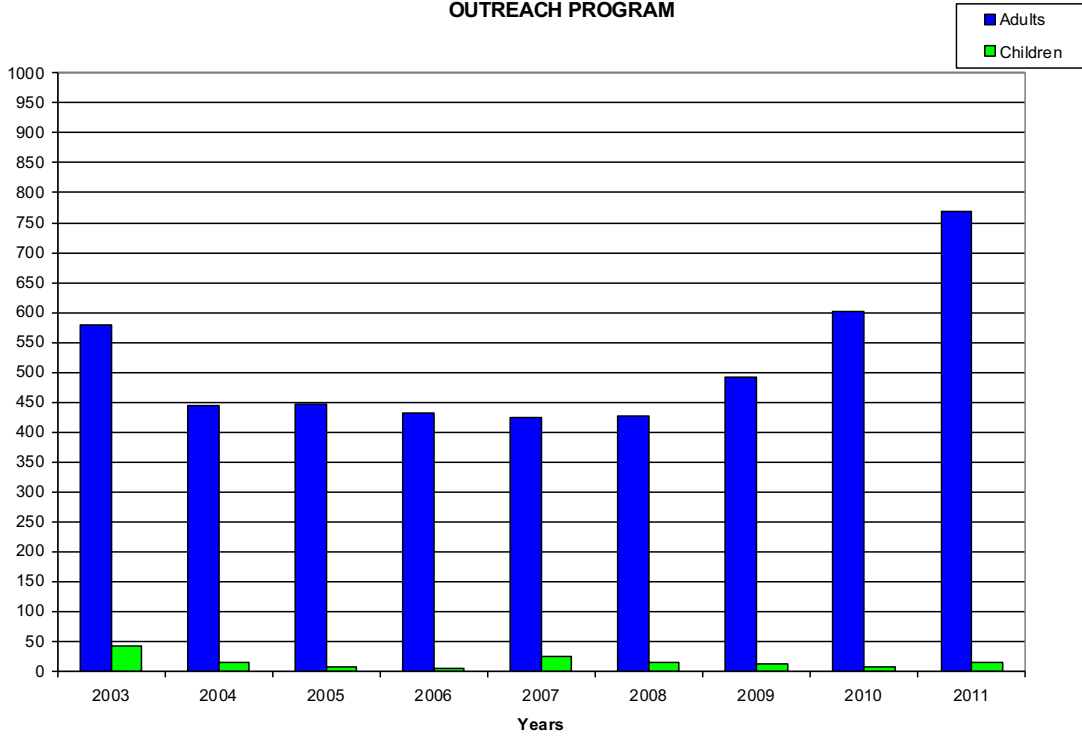
5 volunteers and interns provided 190 hours of service to the Outreach Program.

**Other:**

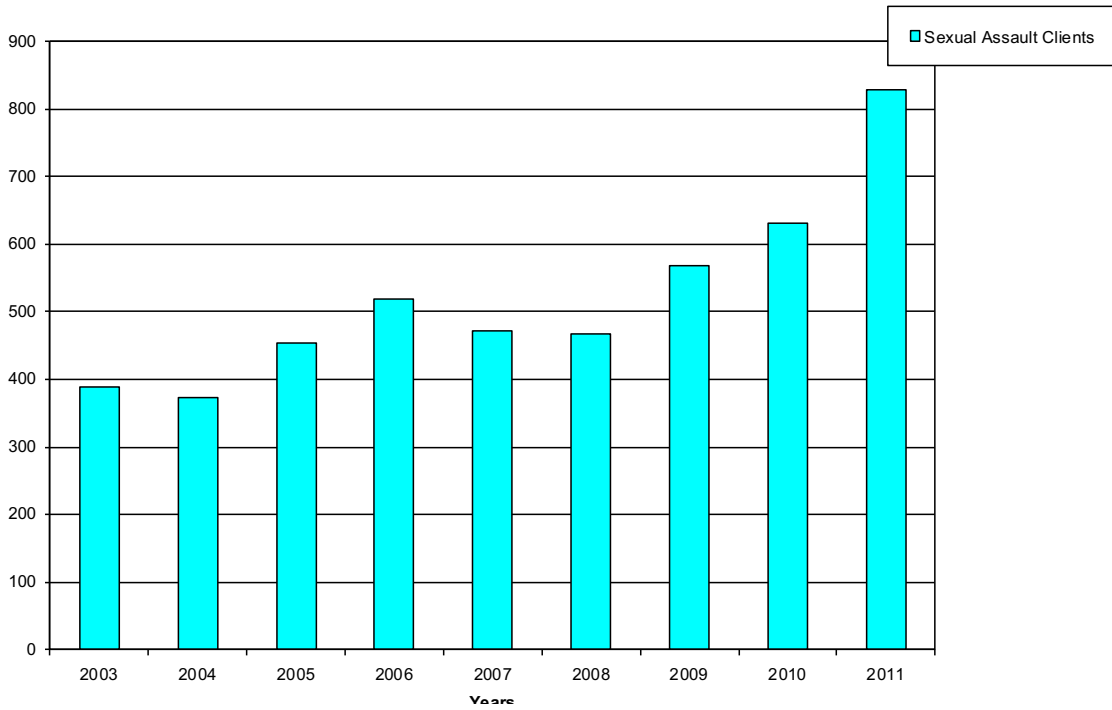
- Interviewed and hired Outreach Part Time Advocate
- Assisted with and attended Walk a Mile in Her Shoes
- Training Outreach Part Time Advocate
- Assisted with and attended Take Back the Night
- Attended and volunteered for Gala Fundraiser event
- Peer Review
- Helped create presentation for women’s fund “Kitchen Project”
- Coordinated and promoted Gibson County DV Support Group with Daybreak Advocacy...Wrote a Grant for Gibson County Community Foundation to support the Group and attended the Award Dinner to receive money from Gibson County Community Foundation.
- Oriented Holly’s House Intern
- Helped in the Fall Festival Booth

Brand Watson  
Outreach Program Coordinator

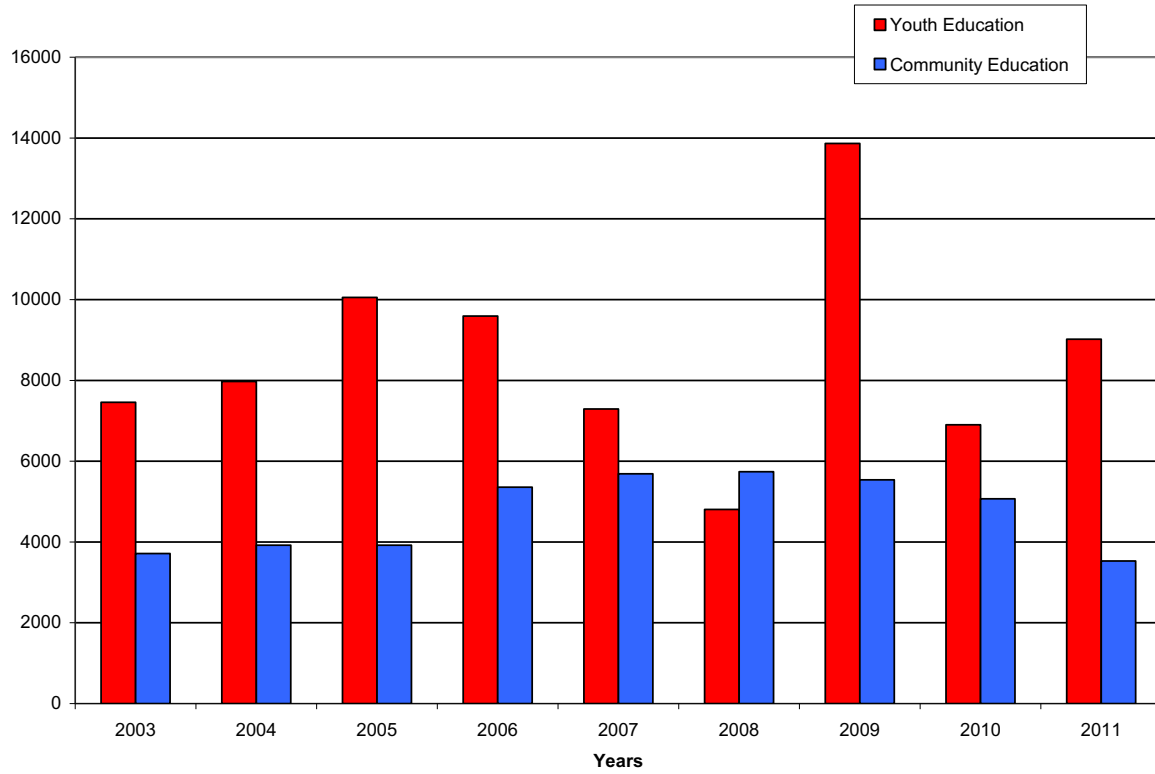
### OUTREACH PROGRAM



### SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAM

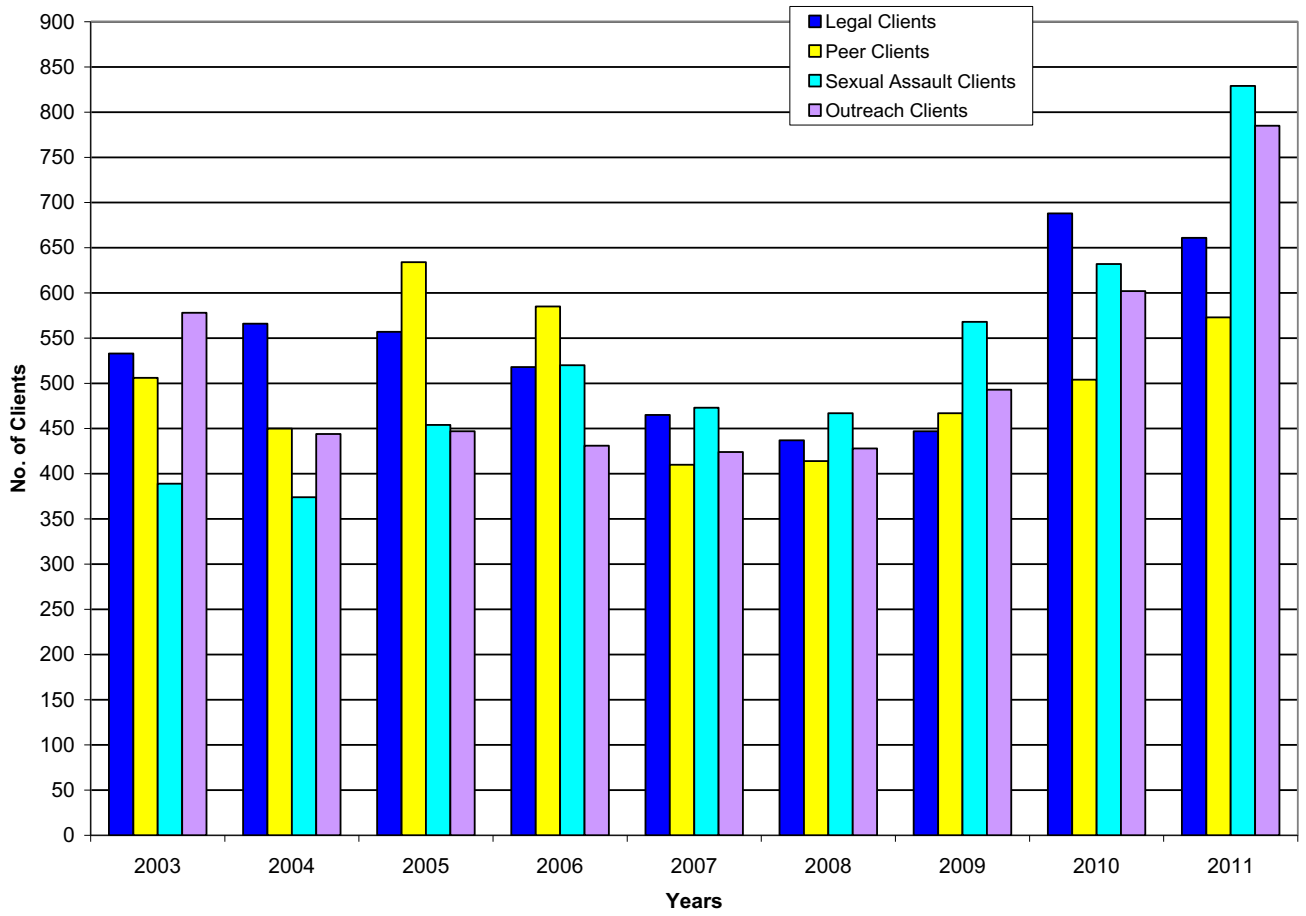


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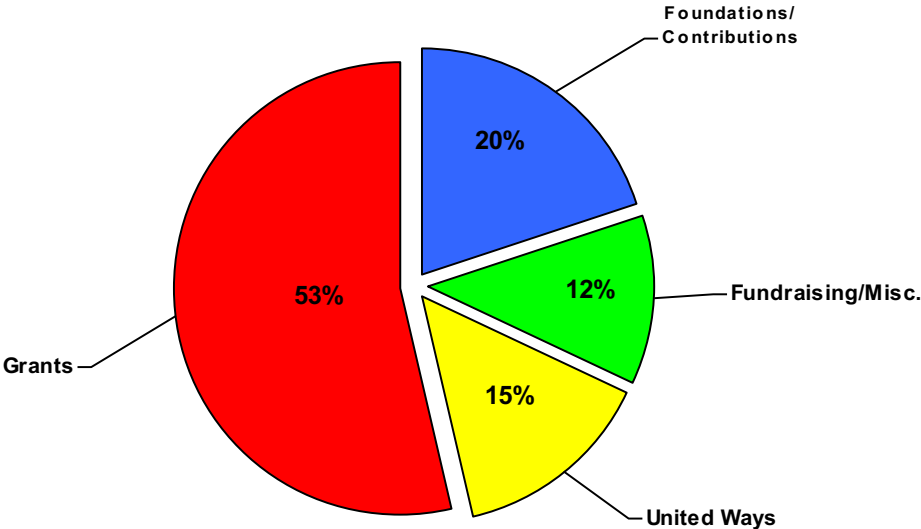




### LEGAL, PEER ADVOCACY, OUTREACH & SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAMS



# 2012 Budget



# 2011 Actual Budget

