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ANNUAL REPORT

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Women**S**afe

Serving the community since 1980

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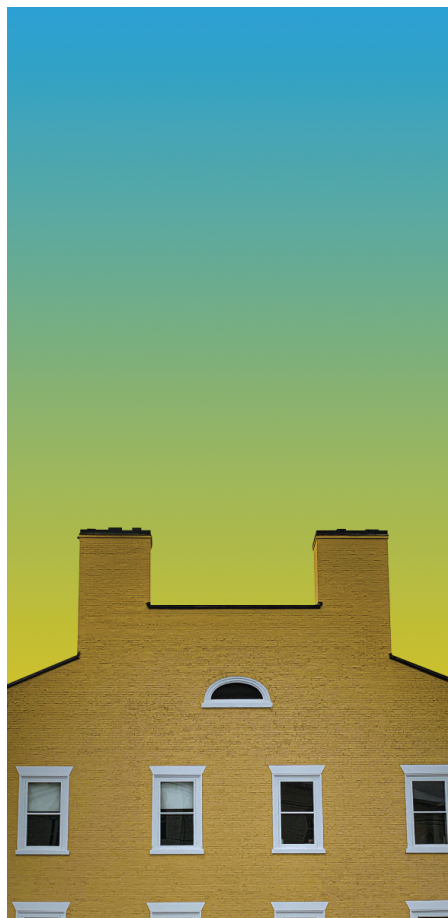
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WomenSafe provides a variety of services that strive to meet the needs of all people who experience stalking, dating, domestic or sexual violence. We define advocacy as the active support of an individual's goals by providing information and options to assist the person in making their own choices. We provide emotional support, information & referral, support groups and advocacy in the following areas through a free and confidential 24-hour hotline and in-person meetings:

- Civil & Criminal Legal
- Medical & Hospital
- Transitional & General Housing
- Systems Change

WomenSafe also provides outreach, community education, professional training, supervised visitation, and monitored exchange services.

*"This is exactly the resource
I needed. Thank you."*
- Service User



MISSION STATEMENT

WOMENSAFE WORKS TOWARD THE ELIMINATION OF PHYSICAL, SEXUAL,
AND EMOTIONAL VIOLENCE THROUGH
DIRECT SERVICE, EDUCATION, AND SOCIAL CHANGE.

Board of Directors:

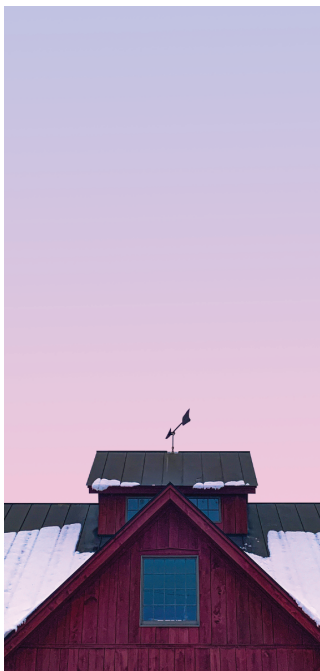
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Data Highlights

- 511 total adults and children served through advocacy and supervised visitation services.
- 8,300 in-person meetings and phone calls through the advocacy program.
- 410 supervised visits and orientation meetings for 18 families including 25 children.
- Worked with the parents/caregivers of a total of 330 children exposed to violence.
- Prevention programming reached 1,784 youth and adults through 438 presentations and outreach events.
- 66 volunteers donated 7,861 hours of services.



"I appreciate all your help and everyone else at WomenSafe. I've no idea how I'd survive without it."

- Service User

"We have learned so much from you this year. It was a great experience... You helped us understand what a healthy relationship is.

We can't wait to see you next year."
- Students in a 6th grade class

Highlights & Community Impact

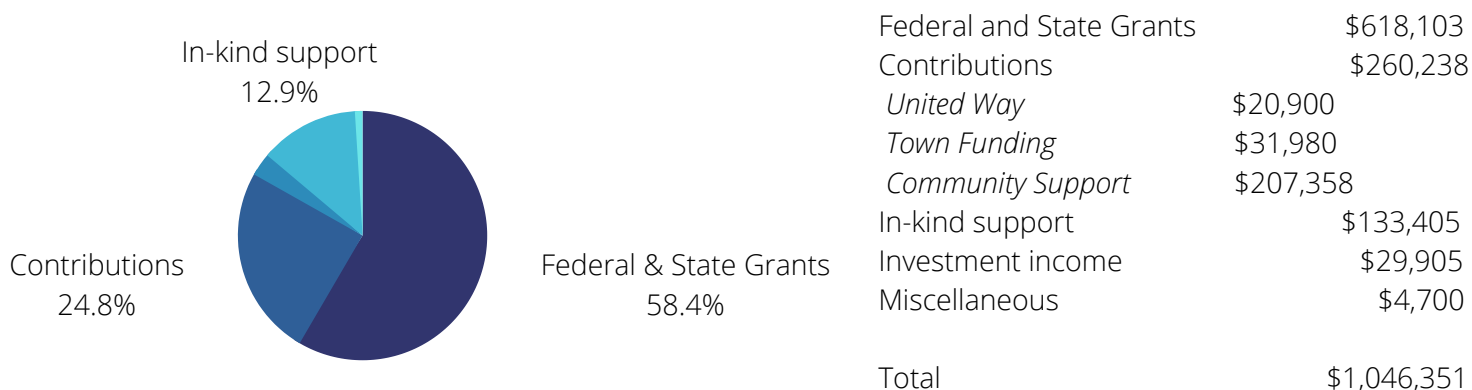
- WomenSafe staff continue to provide critical in-person services at the hospital, courthouse, or at law enforcement agencies as needed.
- A resident in the transitional housing apartments overcame great obstacles to secure and move into their own housing.
- The pandemic inspired our educators to be creative with prevention work. Whether it was virtual, outside, or in person with masks, our educators were ecstatic to talk with kids about healthy relationships.
- WomenSafe hosted two remote University of Vermont interns during the academic year and two in-person Addison County Privilege & Poverty Summer Interns from Middlebury College. Summer interns combine practical work experience with classroom learning and supplemental readings on privilege and poverty.
- WomenSafe kicked off our high school internship program for students interested in sexual violence prevention work with the support of the Rape Prevention Education Grant. Our first intern spent three months surveying her peers about healthy sexuality and creating proposals for her school to better meet the needs of students.
- WomenSafe paid off the mortgage and now owns both our office building and our transitional housing building.

Funding

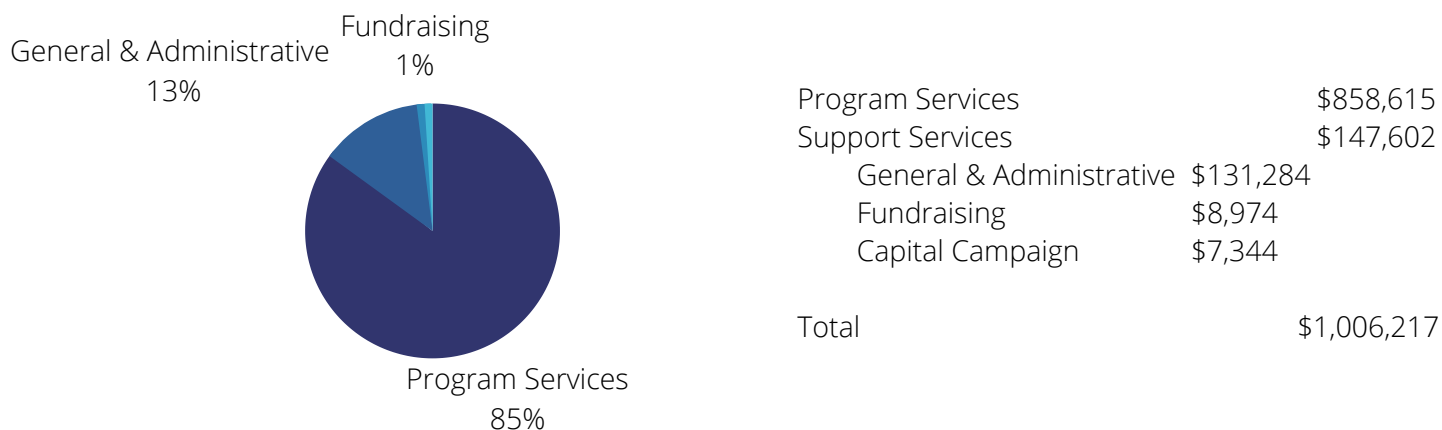
WomenSafe receives funding from a combination of public and private sources and is a member agency of the United Way of Addison County. Our Mother's Day, Annual Appeal, Town Appropriation, and other endeavors consistently receive strong community support.

The following is a summary of our Statement of Activities from the independent audit of our financial statements:

Income



Expenses



Net Assets

Without Donor Restrictions	
Board Designated	
Property and Equipment, net of related debt	\$608,464
Undesignated	\$436,445
Total without donor restrictions	\$1,044,909
With donor restrictions	N/A
Total net assets	\$1,044,909

Complete Financial Statements available upon request