ANNUAL REPORT

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CRIME VICTIM CENTER

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FROM THE EXCUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends of the Crime Victim Center.

I am pleased to share the Crime Victim Center's Annual Report with our partners, supporters, and friends. The Annual Report reflects the many changes we have had at the Crime Victim Center in 2021. As the COVID-19 pandemic continued into 2021, we continued to make a new normal for working with clients and supporters. We did a mixture of virtual and in-person events throughout the year, including Vigil of Remembrance, Mother's Day Event, Trivia Night, Pup Pictures with Santa, and Party with a Purpose.

As we noticed an increase in counseling requests, we acted. We requested additional funding from one of the funders to add two other counselors to our staff. This allowed our clients to access counseling services as soon as they are ready to address their traumas. Our advocates, counselors, and legal staff continued to work hard to serve our clients virtually and in person. In 2021, we were able to help more than 5,000 people through counseling, legal assistance, and victim advocacy. We could not have served as many as we did without the aid of our volunteers and interns.

Also, in 2021, we launched a Monthly Giving Club - Planting Peace. Supporters can donate monthly and receive plant(s) or donate plant(s) to clients throughout the year. Please check out our website to find more information.

What has not changed, you might ask? We are committed to the community and the clients we have served for almost 50 years! At CVC, we look forward to continuing our work with community partners and building more relationships with partners to strive for a safer tomorrow for the St. Louis Region. Thank you for your continued support!

Katie Datton

Executive Director
Crime Victim Center



OUR TEAM

Staff

Katie, Executive Director

Peggy, Director of Clinical

Services

Katie, Managing Attorney

Hope, Director of Advocacy

Programs

Meghan, Director of Grants &

Volunteers

Beth, Counselor

Kat, Youth Counselor

LaShonda, Neighborhood Healing

Network Counselor

Tiera, Neighborhood Healing

Network Counselor

Renee, Client Services Manager

Taylor, Victim Advocate

Rashma, Victim Advocate

Bri, Victim Advocate

Erin, Victim Advocate

Sheila, Victim Advocate

Asia, Youth Victim Advocate

Sydney, Gun Violence Response

Network Advocate

Board of Directors

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Harris Stowe State University
Andrew Young, St. Louis
University
Theresa Bible, Community
Volunteer







OUR PROGRAMS

Trauma Focused Counseling

Licensed counselors and social workers provide trauma-specific interventions including person centered therapy, complex grief counseling, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Cognitive Processing Therapy, Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing, and Hypnotherapy. Counseling is available to adult, youth over 10, and families

Community Engagement

Focus areas include special events, community awareness, and educational trainings. Upon request, Crime Victim Center will provide outreach to schools, police departments, court personnel, and other agencies. Training topics include agency assistance, victims' rights, effects of trauma, and effectively working with crime victims.

Victim Advocacy

Advocates provide crisis intervention, case management, assistance with filing court orders, help with Victims'
Compensation, education on the civil/criminal justice program, and referrals. Our advocates in the St. Louis City and County police departments and courthouses assist victims of intimate partner violence, homicide, non-fatal gun violence, and families in crisis.

Civil Legal Assistance

Program that addresses the needs of victims who are indigent and under-served by providing services that combine expertise in domestic violence issues, including legal advocacy, safety planning, legal referrals, and legal representation for Orders of Protection.

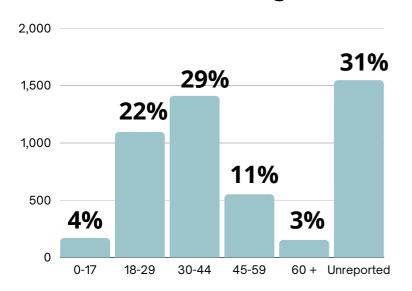
Thank you to our 33 volunteers across all of our programs who contributed 3,628 hours of service to Crime Victim Center.

We could not accomplish our mission without you!

WHO WE SERVE



Client Age



Native American



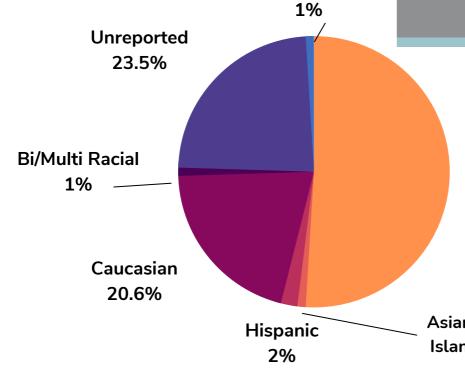
0% staff turn over

Provided 27 trainings to the community

Attended 15 virtual or in person resources fairs

Gained 589 new followers on social media & 10,131 people visited our website

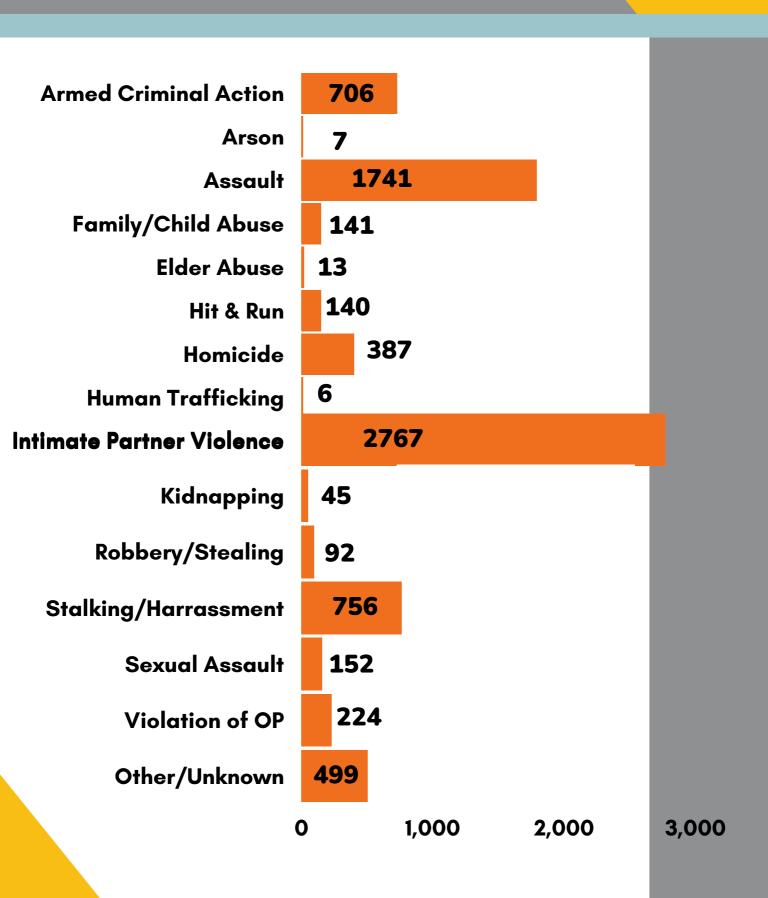
Served over 4,850 NEW clients



African American/Black 51%

Asian/Pacific Islander 1%

2021 CRIME VICTIMS SERVED





OUR IMPACT

Serena's Story

Our Domestic Violence Intervention advocate reached out to Serena, a victim identified in a police report where the offender was documented violating an Order of Protection. Serena expressed frustration that the abuser continued to violate the emergency Order of Protection, which resulted in only a misdemeanor charge against him.

In this latest violation, Serena had taken her car in for service, and the abuser showed up. He jumped into her car and was screaming at her to get out. A worker at the dealership talked him away from her, and she had to run inside and hide. Serena called the police, but the abuser had already fled the scene.

CVC's advocate called a detective in the Domestic Violence Unit and asked if anything more could be done about this. This unit was unaware of the ongoing situation as they usually only work with felony charges.

The detective spoke to the district officer and discussed possibly charging this abuser with a felony stalking charge. Upon review of the case, the police changed the charges and referred the case to the Prosecuting Attorney as a felony stalking charge. The abuser was charged with the felony, and Serena was very pleased with the result and felt much safer living their life.

Frederick called in mid-August asking about Missouri Crime Victim Compensation Program because his child was murdered within one of our service areas. Frederick had heard about our services through a friend. CVC's Homicide Response Advocate explained to Frederick that he needed a police report number in order to apply for Victim Compensation. Frederick had no idea how to do this and was clearly in the middle of a crisis and much distress, so our advocate reached out to the respective police department and obtained the police report number. CVC's advocate then walked Frederick through the entire Victim Compensation application, as well as what additional documents needed to be gathered. Frederick was able to file for Victim Compensation and three months later received reimbursement for the funeral costs of his child. When the final follow-up call was made, Frederick stated that his services were well met, all follow-up calls were very much appreciated, and he confirmed that he would call if he ever needed victims advocacy assistance again. In addition, during the final follow-up call, Frederick inquired about CVC's counseling program - the advocate informed him that he qualified for our counseling services and then connected him with our Director of Clinical Services to get set up with a counseling appointment.

Frederick's Story

REVENUE & EXPENSES

Expenses: \$823,396.93

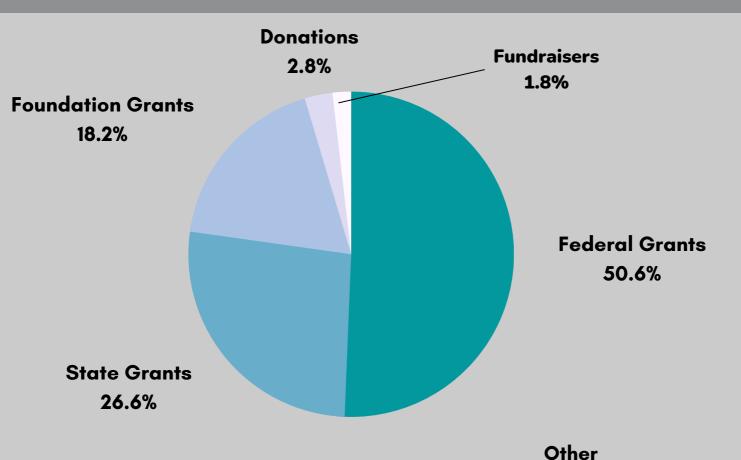
Expenses 50%

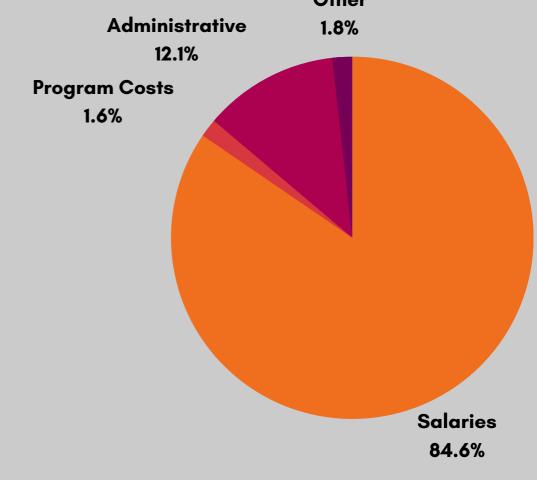
Revenue 50%

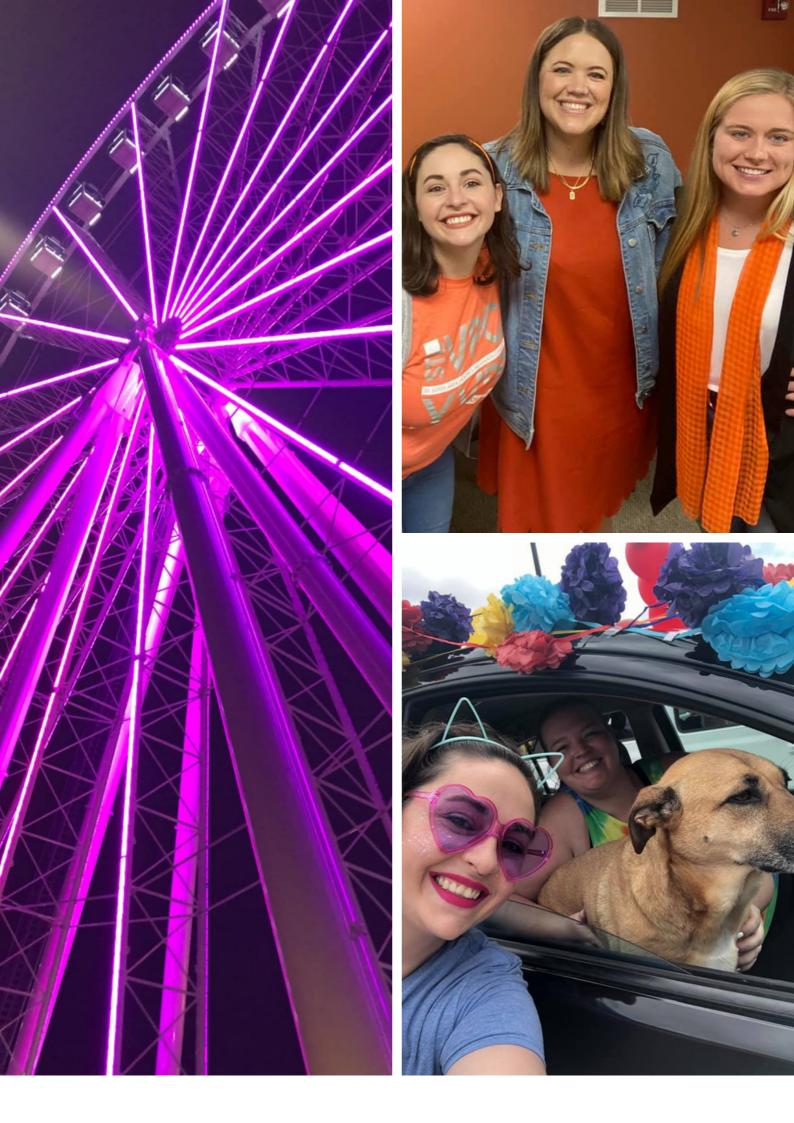
Revenue: \$823,880.23



REVENUE & EXPENSES







OUR DONORS

Abigail Keough Adam Huskic

Alesha's Big & Boujee

Boutique

Andy's Custard Alison Bischoff

Alison Yeh

American Family Insurance -

The Blackbaud Giving Fund

Andy Ritter

Anthony Arrington

Barbara Pohl

Barbara Theerman

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Carol Roberts

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Dewey's Pizza

Donna Reigler

Drew Young

Drury Inn

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First Unitation Church of St.

Louis

Forget Me Not Boutique

Gabe Crocker

Gateway Tea - Sam

Zychinski

Gretchen Arnold

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Kathryn M. Buder Memorial

Fund of the St. Louis

Community Foundation

Hair by DJW

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Jami Ake

Urban Harvest

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Jill Kingen

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Katie Grewe

Katie Wessling

Krueger's Bar

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of North America No. 110

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Lori Curtis

Love Unleashed

Lynn Lottmann

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Matt Bates

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Butler - Schwab

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Narwhals

O'Brien Law Firm

Odessa Weatherford-

Jacobs

Olivia Tisa

Pat Connolly Tavern

Peggy Tyson

Rolling Ridge Nursery

Scott & Melissa Eiswirth

Southside Alchemy

Style STL

Sugar Creek Gardens

Susan & James Gamble

Sybergs

Sydney Theerman

Taylor Ikemeier

The Sister Love Project

The Tent Boutique

The Thaxton

Theresa Bible

Thompson Coburn

Tiffany Crogier

Topgolf

Union Station

Union Studio

Urban Chestnut

Vicki Anderson

Virginia Roncaglione

Wolf Smith

Zee Bees Market







COMMUNITY PARTNERS & MEMBERSHIPS

Bullet Related Injury Clinic City of St. Louis Circuit Attorney-Victim Services Unit City of St Louis - Department of Public Safety City of St. Louis Department of Health Homicide, Ministers, and Community **Alliance** St. Louis Court Watch Leadership Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence Missouri Crime Victims' Compensation **Program** Missouri Department of Corrections **Board of Probation & Parole** Missouri Department of Social Services Missouri Victim Assistance Network St. Louis Field Education Collaborative National Custody Strategy Network **UMSL Campus Coordinated Response** Team Missouri Bar Family Law Remote Access Committee--Order of Protection Subgroup

Missouri Bar Association National Alliance of Grieving Children **National Organization for Victim** Assistance Neighborhood Healing Network St. Louis Anti-Violence Project St. Louis City Family Violence Council St. Louis County Family Violence Council St. Louis Community Foundation St. Louis County Police Department Family Court of St. Louis County St. Louis City Juvenile Court St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney- Victim Services Division St. Louis Ending Domestic and Sexual Violence Network St. Louis Queer+ Support Helpline (SQSH) St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department St. Louis Violence Prevention Collaborative



The Crime Victim Center empowers people impacted by crime to move from crisis to resiliency, and reduces the negative impact of crime on individuals and the community.

The Crime Victim Center has been a proud member agency of the United Way since 1998. Please support the United Way so they can continue to make a difference in our community.