



SHELTER

FOR HELP IN EMERGENCY

working to end domestic violence in our community

Annual Report

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What does Sprout represent to the Shelter?

Hope felt by a victim of domestic violence when they call our 24-hour hotline for assistance.

Strength gained by our clients and their children as they work to overcome the trauma they've experienced.

New Beginnings for survivors of domestic violence and their children – free from their abusers.

The Shelter offers a variety of services designed to empower victims of domestic violence and create a community of support.

24-hour hotline and safe shelter for those in immediate need of support and a safe place to stay.



1,367
hotline calls
answered by experienced staff and trained volunteers



5,557
nights of safety provided



211
adults & children were given emergency shelter



18.12
average number of hours of supportive services provided to adults and children seeking help

Support services for individuals and families experiencing domestic violence, including counseling, case management, legal advocacy, Spanish-language outreach, and child/teen youth programs.



291
outreach clients
who did not stay in our residential facility, but received counseling, legal advocacy and support services

95% of survey responses from victims indicates they are able to consider next steps, plan for their safety, and know more about community resources.

NEW PROGRAMS

Lethality Assessment Program (LAP): A joint Shelter/Law Enforcement collaboration with Police Departments in Charlottesville, Albemarle, Fluvanna and at the University of Virginia, LAP links victims of domestic violence with a Shelter hotline advocate immediately after the incident, while police are still at the scene of the crime. Considered a homicide reduction initiative, LAP allows the Shelter to connect with victims of domestic violence at greatest risk of being seriously injured or killed by their intimate partners and offer resources for safety and support.

Rural Outreach: Expanding the Shelter's presence in the four rural communities (Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa, and Nelson) allows our staff to meet clients where they are and offer legal advocacy, counseling, and support services in their home community. Reducing barriers and increasing access to service helps create a safety net for traditionally underserved rural populations.

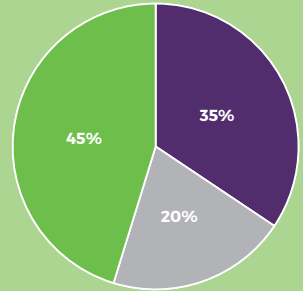
Prevention Programs: The Shelter believes an effective tool in ending domestic violence is prevention education designed to stop relationship violence before it begins. Focusing on healthy relationships, identifying risk factors, increasing protective factors and promoting positive youth development, the Shelter offers a variety of evidenced-based programs for young people in schools, community groups, and neighborhoods.

Trauma-Informed Mental Health Counseling: A collaborative program with community partners ReadyKids and The Women's Initiative offers trauma-informed therapeutic support to adult and child victims of domestic violence staying in our residential facility.

Expenses

(\$1,164,932)

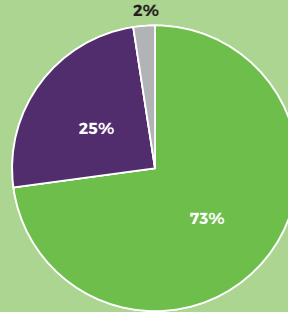
- Residential & Outreach Programs (\$848,741)
- Program Support (\$287,815)
- Other (\$28,376)



Income

(\$1,164,932)

- Donations (\$400,598)
- Local Government Grants (\$237,341)
- State & Federal Grants (\$526,993)



Shelter Events...

Please Join Us!

Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

Share the Love

Design House

Mother's Day Campaign

Golf Tournament

Health Fairs

Community Festivals

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Candlelight Vigil

Brown Bag Lunch Series

PEACE Project

5k Run/Walk

Adopt-a-Family



Teen Prevention Artwork

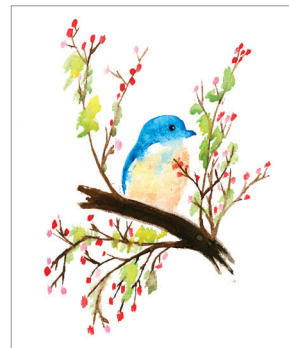


Darden "Christmas in April" Painting



“My experience here has been like having an extended family. They’re real, raw, and caring. You can go and talk to any of them about anything. In two words: Raw Love.”

(LGBTQ residential facility client)



Residential Child's Artwork (13 Year Old)



“We are so grateful for all you’ve done for us. There aren’t enough words to describe it. You’re amazing! Thank you so much!”

(Transitional housing client)

100% of community members attending presentations report learning new information to help them identify and respond to domestic violence.

Education and volunteer opportunities for community members who wish to learn more about domestic/intimate partner violence or become involved in community solutions.



260
number of
volunteers
across the agency

4,036
volunteer hours

“I wish my country would have a shelter and services like you do. It really helps those DV victims to have support and help in getting out of terrible situations.”

(Spanish-speaking outreach client)



The Shelter hosted their first Golf Tournament at Old Trail Golf Club in June. 60 golfers, 19 sponsors and over 15 dedicated volunteers and staff came together to spread awareness about domestic violence in our community and raise critical funds for the Shelter. The tournament raised over \$25,000 and was a resounding success!

“Thank you. Thank you for taking me in, for showing me the true giving and loving spirit of humanity, for lifting me up and for taking me as I am.”

(Residential facility client)



My pre-conceptions about domestic violence were typical: only the poor and disadvantaged are subject to this particular humiliation and violence. As I have since learned through my partnership with the Shelter for Help in Emergency, domestic violence crosses all racial, economic, and social lines. We mostly hear about the impoverished victims because they are ones seeking emergency shelter and financial assistance, while those who are more financially secure can afford a hotel or travel costs to stay with a friend or relative.

I have given my time, money, and sweat equity to the Shelter for over 18 years, because I know first hand, the literally life-saving work accomplished in our community every day. I also know the hard working and frugal ethics of the staff and am confident that my monetary contributions are being spent wisely. I have learned that although we may feel overwhelmed by huge issues of brokenness in our world, such as domestic violence, we still need to show up, continue to reach out, and give of ourselves in the most authentic way.

– Julia Jones, Former Board member and Past President



PLEASE JOIN US!

Consider giving freely of your time, talents and treasure.
For more information on what you can do to help, please call the
Shelter's Community Outreach Center at **434-963-4676**.

Offering peace, hope and safety to those experiencing domestic violence.

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