Annual Report (10/1/2023-9/30/2024)

Hands of Hope Resource Center, Inc.

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We are pleased to share this report with you. Between October 1, 2023, and September 30, 2024, we served **454 domestic violence**, **75 sexual assault**, and **344 general crime** adult and child victim/survivors and their loved ones in our two office locations. We also welcomed 1 new staff member.

We wish to thank all our volunteers, partners and donors for giving us the opportunity to serve those most vulnerable in our community. We could not offer 24-hour access to assistance without the **3,743 volunteer hours** provided by our caring volunteer advocates.

Warmest regards,

John Peters, Current Board Chair Stephenie Och, Executive Director

OUR MISSION

Hands of Hope Resource Center advocates, educates and promotes societal change for those affected by violence and abuse. We provide free and confidential services in Todd and Morrison Counties. We serve those impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse and other general crimes such as assault, burglary, stalking harassment and theft. We provide civil, criminal and medical advocacy for those seeking justice. We work closely with our partners in law enforcement, county attorney offices, social services and schools to support clients affected by crime and abuse. Our Violence Prevention Program provides prevention and other educational programming in the community and the schools on topics such as dating violence, healthy relationships, cyberbullying, sexting, and other topics as requested.

<u>CURRENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS:</u> Chair John Peters, A John Peters Learning Systems; Vice Chair Kim DeZurik, Morrison County Social Services; Secretary Julie Sievert, H&R Block; Treasurer Eve Balfany, Morrison County Community Corrections; Ed Moran, Morrison County Commissioner; Tim Denny, Todd County Commissioner; Laura Welle, Assistant Morrison County Attorney; Lisa Smude, CommonSpirit Health; and Alexandra Meyer, Assistant Todd County Attorney.



Making a difference...

"Thank you for taking the time and meeting with me last week. You are always so warm, open, and welcoming and an awesome listener. You have such a caring and empathetic heart as well. It's like coming home, when I can have some time with you. (Those are just some of your gifts)."

~Anonymous Victim/Survivor

How can you help?

- Follow us on our social media platforms.
- Sign-up for our quarterly newsletter.
- Volunteer on our crisis line.
- Join our governing board.
- Help in our office.
- Host an event to raise funds, supplies and awareness.
- Volunteer at our awareness events.
- Spread the word about our agency and our mission with your friends, family and co-workers.
- Donate money or supplies.
- Give to our annual Community Support Campaign.
- Purchase a DENIM DAY RAFFLE ticket!

~ Support and healing for victims of crime & abuse ~

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Financial Report

Revenues	2023-2024	2022-2023
Government grants	\$370,572	\$378,448
Private & Special Project	190,304	169,150
Grants		
Fundraising	23,638	23,775
Contributions	12,805	14,142
Offender fees	2,198	2,791
Other Income	3,868	2,560
Total	603,385	590,866
Net Assets Released from	0	0
Restrictions		
Total Revenues	\$603,385	\$590,866
Expenses		
Domestic Violence	166,461	189,880
Sexual Assault	150,174	178,726
General Crime	154,391	136,382
Emergency Assistance	27,846	30,050
Violence Prevention	2,401	5,797
Fundraising	13,701	12,354
Management & General	57,959	50,758
Total Expense	\$572,933	\$603,947
Net Income	\$30,452	(-\$13,081)

Assets	2023-2024	2022-2023
Cash (including Board	\$281,227	\$231,266
designated reserve) & other		
deposits		
Grant & Other Receivables	39,394	34,048
Prepaid expenses	10,581	21,789
Furniture & Equipment (net)	9,215	14,240
Total Assets	\$340,417	\$301,343
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	1,396	790
Accrued Expenses	25,674	40,062
Deferred Revenue	23,967	1,562
Total Liabilities	\$51,037	\$42,415
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions:		
Designated Operating	143,013	150,987
Reserve		
Unrestricted	137,853	95,398
Total Without Donor	280,866	246,385
Restrictions		
With Donor Restrictions	8,514	12,543
Total Net Assets	\$289,380	\$258,928
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$340,417	\$301,343

Our complete 990 may be viewed by going to our website.

Highlights

MENTAL HEALTH ASSISTANCE

Through the assistance of focused grant funding, Hands of Hope Resource Center was able to support victims in receiving 89 counseling sessions by alleviating their out-of-pocket burden.

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

Our agency provided 26 community presentations to 1,165 participants, one professional training to 73 participants, and 61 total media contacts via print and radio spots.

CLIENT EVALUATIONS

There were 79 individuals completing evaluations with a 96% satisfaction rate. 100% felt that the advocate was supportive and listened without judgement; 97% felt that their advocate was knowledgeable about the issue they needed help with; 95% completed safety planning with an advocate; and 97% felt they were allowed to make their own decisions about what was best for their situation.

DONORS/FUNDING

Funding for this fiscal year came primarily from state and federal grants through the Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Justice Programs. Other funding sources include Otto Bremer Trust, Morrison County Social Services, Morrison County United Way, Sourcewell, The Laura Jane Musser Fund, The Carlson Family Foundation, Central Minnesota Community Foundation, Morrison County Area Foundation, and The Region V+ Adult Mental Health Initiative.

Hands of Hope Resource Center is also supported by many businesses, community groups, and individual donors.