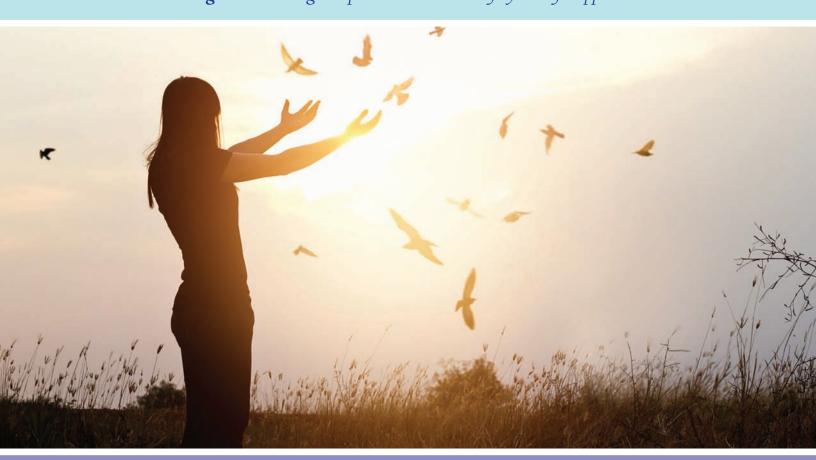


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# *Message from the President and Executive Director*



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Each year as I think about my Annual Message, I think about what is important for Womanspace friends and supporters to know about the organization. This year as we round the corner on our 40th Anniversary I would like to share what I believe to be the heart and soul of the agency. It is the people who, on a daily basis keep Womanspace successful in the fulfillment of our mission. We have the most talented, smart, compassionate, professional, creative and committed staff. As a first hand observer, I know so well that is true. Every year staff encounter some of the most difficult cases. They work with families who have been devastated by interpersonal violence in ways that are unimaginable. And every year Womanspace staff give150% to their roles as advocates, counselors, development and fiscal staff, human resource, administrative and facility management staff. Everyone recognizes their responsibility and the integral role they play in strengthening the organization and thereby enhancing what Womanspace can do for the families who come to us.

We have been touched by the growing tragedy chronic homelessness and by the pervasive addiction epidemic. In recent years the challenges faced have grown in every area of our work. Safe housing in Mercer County is expensive and difficult to find, especially if you have had your credit ruined by an abusive partner or have been isolated and unable to work. Sadly, safety net programs like Section 8 (affordable) housing have disappeared, "Welfare reform" has stripped benefits from struggling families and immigrant victims who have come to this country to seek asylum are finding their path has been blocked indefinitely. These are the families who become residents in our Safe House. They come with nothing, having escaped with their children and the clothes on their backs, Womanspace staff begin the ever more difficult task of exploring their options. I sit in case management meetings and marvel at the expertise of staff in making connections, advocating for each client and doing it with compassion and a genuine concern for each family member.

Outstanding legal issues, such as restraining orders, divorce, child custody and immigration issues are the norm. Affordable legal assistance is no more. Staff have called every law firm in the county to ask for pro bono assistance and every once in a while it works; a frustrating task that demonstrates the commitment of staff, determined to never give up on anyone.

Over-arching all the situations that face our clients the profound effects of trauma are everywhere. How do you move forward when flashbacks, sleep disorders, migraines, anxiety, depression, nightmares, eating disorders and so much more are occupying your psyche? The clinical staff at the Counseling and Support Program have begun and grown the EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) project. A modality that accelerates the healing process while our clients begin to move past their traumas. Staff members

gave up weekend time to participate in extensive training and supervision. Their enthusiasm to make an impact so positively with our clients is indicative of the professionals we are fortunate to have on staff at Womanspace.

From direct service staff to the Administrative staff who work tirelessly to meet the growing demands from funders and Development staff who commit to raising the funds to keep the agency strong; each person knows that their role has its place in ensuring that every individual and family who come through our doors or calls on our hotlines receive the help they need. That is the team of Womanspace. I would like, in this Annual Message, to salute a most amazing team of professionals who are dedicated to the ideal that all our families deserve the very best.



We gratefully acknowledge an incomparable group of professionals. Thank you Team Womanspace.

With Warm Regards

Patricia M. Hart, M.S.W., LCSW Executive Director

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Womanspace, Inc., founded in 1977, is a non-profit corporation providing comprehensive services to individuals and families impacted by domestic and sexual violence. In response to information gathered by the Alercer County Commission on the Status of Women identifying the need for services for battered women and their children, Womanspace opened the first publicly supported emergency residential facility in New Gersey in Pebruary 1978. Prom the beginning, our goal was to serve victims beyond the initial crisis. That goal has become a reality as our services continue to grow to assist clients facing complex situations due to the violence in their lives.

## **OUR MISSION**

The mission of Womanspace is to Prevent Abuse, Protect Families, and Change Lives through empowerment and a safety net of supportive services.

## OUR VISION

Womanspace, Inc. will be recognized as a prominent leader in providing services that address domestic and sexual violence in the county of Mercer and across the state.

Womanspace will value the right of survivors to make life decisions based on a process that allows them to be fully informed of all their options.

Womanspace will maximize resources through collaborative partnerships that enable us to impact the community response to domestic and sexual violence.

Womanspace will commit to cultural competency and inclusive practices.

## OUR THREE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN (2018 – 2020)

## Strategic Initiative I: Strengthen Existing Client Support Services

Create, strengthen and maintain a range of client services to effectively support the process of healing from the trauma of domestic violence/sexual assault and to foster the ability to sustain healthy relationships.

#### Strategic Initiative II: Increase Access to Services

Increase access to services, including multicultural, multilingual services and services to persons with disabilities.

#### Strategic Initiative III: Strengthen Organizational Capacity

Strengthen the organization's infrastructure and capacity to support current and future growth.

#### Strategic Initiative IV: Commitment to Excellence

Ensure quality services through continuous quality assurance and evaluation.

# Highlights of Fiscal Year 2018

Womanspace clients come from all geographic, socio-economic, cultural, racial and religious backgrounds and present a diversity of needs.

The intent of Womanspace is to be accessible to all. Our handicapped accessible services are essential to the community and our belief in collaboration keeps us visible to all in Mercer County. Our collaborations include the court system, law enforcement, child protective services, welfare, healthcare/mental healthcare, homelessness agencies, social service providers and many private nonprofit organizations within the county. Forming a coordinated community response to domestic and sexual violence is critical to addressing the many needs that our clients face.

Listed below are the activities from the year 2017/18 that help us reach our goals in serving the community.

EMERGENCY SERVICES, available 24 hours a day/7 days a week, are designed to assist victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and Human Trafficking immediately following a crisis.

- A new phone system was purchased and installed, made possible through a grant from the State Office of Victim Witness Advocacy.
- New computers for all staff at Emergency Services, compatible with the new phone system made possible through an Emergency Services Grant (ESG) HUD funds administered by the city of Trenton.
- New air conditioners were purchased for all resident rooms and new window treatments thanks to the generous grant from Trenton ESG.
- New server to accommodate the growing computer needs of the Emergency Services program through a grant from the Office of Victim Witness Advocacy.
- New playroom flooring was installed (ESG).
- The Statewide Hotline Resource Manual was converted to electronic access so that all advocates can look up resources via the computer.

COUNSELING AND SUPPORT SERVICES (CSS) are provided to adults and children by professionals who are specifically trained in the fields of domestic violence and sexual assault. Advocate services are also available on site at Family Court, Municipal Courts and Department of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P). Services are available regardless of ability to pay. Spanish speaking counselors are available for all services provided by this program.

- Three new staff have completed EMDR training with two more in process after which CSS will have nine EMDR trained staff, both English and Spanish.
- CSS completed the first round of research on the EMDR model in conjunction with Dr. Jill Schwarz and thanks to the generous funding of the Reshmi & Mahmood Siddique Foundation. Results were extremely positive and the project has been extended into this year.
- A Trauma Education and Skills drop-in group was created and has been ongoing for two complete cycles.
- A Spanish Safe Mothers Group was started for DCP&P clients.
- A new full-time Child Specialist was hired and trained and has begun to build a caseload.
- A summer project called Fun Friday began for children ages 5-10.
- CSS has completed their Policy and Procedure Manual.

NEXT STEP & BARBARA'S HOUSE transitional housing services provide an essential stabilizing influence for families who have experienced domestic violence. Womanspace housing programs foster independence and self-sufficiency for victims of domestic violence and their children.

- Shelter Support Grant provided funds to replace furniture in all the apartments and completed the installation of flooring in all apartments with an eye toward durability.
- New windows were installed in the building thanks to the James Kearney Foundation.
- A segment of the roof was replaced to correct a significant leak in the kitchen.
- A new kitchen in one apartment is being replaced.
- A new inventory system was developed to track storage in basement and garage.
- One client graduated with her two sons to her own apartment after less than a year in program.
- One client graduated to her own home, a first for our transitional housing program. She and her daughters moved in after an extended stay at Barbara's House.



SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICES provides group and individual counseling and support for survivors of sexual assault. In addition SASS provides prevention services to middle school, high school and college students.

• Safe Dates, a model for healthy relationships for high school students has continued for each new GED and trade school class with Isles. Reconnected with the after school program at Urban Promise to provide Safe Dates curriculum again.

• SAAM launch included presentation by TCNJ related to toxic masculinity as well as "using our voices" to speak out about sexual violence

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAMS – Provide extensively trained and carefully supervised volunteers (24/7) who respond at the time of crisis to support victims and their families. This year's training had new staff as well as 4 Deaf advocates participate.

#### DEVELOPMENT, PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MARKETING

• 24th Annual BBS success with Award Winner, L.Y. Marlow. A financial success, this event, grossing 15% more than the previous year.

• Annual Appeal surpassed all prior years totaling over \$249,000 our highest total ever and more than 25% over last year. All thanks to the generosity of individual donors and foundations.

• Communities of Light with Honorary Chair, Krisin Appelget; Director of Community & Regional Affairs at Princeton University raised over \$40,000!

• Two new Development staff hires, Erica Torsiello our Development Associate and Erin Hartshorn our new Grant Writer.

• We are so fortunate to obtain such plentiful grants throughout the year, some of our newer grantees are listed below and we hope to begin a long, sustaining relationship with them.

- Investors Foundation: \$1,500: Safe House/Transitional
  - Weyerhaeuser Family Foundation: \$25,000: Children's Program; specifically for EMDR
  - Nordson Foundation: \$10,000: Safe House/Transitional

• Princeton Area Community Foundation: Community Impact Grant: \$50,000 for general operating which allows us to put the money where it is needed the most. Princeton Chamber of Commerce: \$10,000 towards Self Sufficiency

- Berkshire Bank: \$500 for Safe House
- Mercer County Women's Commission: \$750 Community Outreach
- Lawrence Foundation: \$5,000 towards General Operating
- Bob's Cares: \$2,500 Group Therapy Room Furniture
- Help For Children: \$25,000 Children's counseling (EMDR)
- Allergan: \$10,000 also for general operating

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR attended numerous community events throughout the year attending events that both build awareness for Womanspace and raise funds. Below are just a few:

\*BWNice \*Women's Entrepreneurs of Central Jersey (Celebrate You) \*Children's Futures \*Mercer County Women's Council of Realtors \*Revere Restaurant (Ladies Who Brunch) \*John O. Wilson Neighborhood Center \*Pinot's Palette \*Metropolis Spa and Salon \*ROSA (Rise Over Sexual Assault Walk) \*Henry J. Austin Clinic \*TASK (twice/quarterly lunch and dinner) \*CEAS- Homeless outreach programs \*Princeton Mormon Church



FISCAL DEPARTMENT - The Fiscal Department is working diligently on the ever-growing reporting requirements of our government funding sources. The support is invaluable and the enhanced reporting is part of the responsibility. Quickly settled in after their first year, both Fiscal Manager and Bookkeeper strive for excellence.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES

- Completed new Human Resource Manual.
- Installed Office 365 throughout the agency.
- Completed fingerprinting of all staff.
- Upgraded security system with new security cameras inside and outside.

#### ADMINISTRATION

- Four new Board members, Michelle Bajwa, Joanne Barlow, Salim Manzar, and Charles Walker
- Board Retreat facilitated by Marcia Telthorster on Strategic Planning
- Two Advisory Council meetings were held, offering Council members a growing base of knowledge of agency operations and programs.

• Womanspace Executive Director has been invited to apply and been accepted to the NJ Coalition to End Domestic Violence Board of Trustees.

- Deaf Advocacy Project has engaged Executive Director as consultant to the project.
- A new dashboard has been created as a tool for monitoring and reporting on the work of the agency.
- Womanspace has been invited to apply for HUD funding for the first time, making exceptions in the process by the government to maintain confidentiality for our clients but with the prospect of opening up additional housing options.

#### NEW GOVERNMENT GRANTS SECURED

- Three three year VAG grants for Bilingual Services, Sexual Assault Services and Homeless Services
- DCA Shelter Support Grant for capital improvements at Barbara's House
- Applied for HUD grant for housing options

WOMANSPACE STAFF COMMITTEES – For many years Womanspace has engaged the skills, commitment and expertise of staff in creating committees that drive much of the work of the organization. Only an amazing staff would volunteer to spend extra time beyond the responsibilities of their positions to participate in the operations of the agency. Womanspace has the good fortune to have that kind of staff composition. All committees meet monthly.

• <u>Bilingual Services Team</u> – the first staff driven committee created by Spanish speaking staff to ensure that all Womanspace clients have access to materials in Spanish, that Womanspace has a presence in the Spanish-speaking community and that clients for whom English is not their first language feel comfortable and safe at Womanspace. The committee works on translating forms, attending Latina community events and speaking engagements.

• <u>Cultural Competency Committee</u> – Created to ensure that we are always working toward a higher level of cultural competency. That everyone who walks in the door of Womanspace feels comfortable regardless of age, ethnicity, gender, language, religion, sexual orientation. The committee plans inservice training, summer film festival, joins the YWCA for their Stand Against Racism and works in partnership with other committees to commemorate both SSAM and DVAM.

• <u>Education and Training Committee</u> – When funding disappeared for Prevention and Education the Education and Training Committee took over. Members of the committee respond to all requests for speaking throughout the year. In addition, they create standard presentations so that the message of Womanspace is always consistent and make all presentations available to all staff. The committee provides time for members to practice until they feel comfortable presenting. Last year the committee provided over 55 presentations in the community.

• <u>SOUP Committee (Domestic Violence Awareness Month DVAM and Sexual Assault Awareness Month SSAM)</u> (<u>Alphabet Soup</u>) – This committee plans the launch for both significant months, they plan activities to bring awareness across the county, they plan in-service training in partnership with other committees to ensure that the message of DV and SA is present in the agency and in the community. This committee also maintains a focus on Human Trafficking.





Womanspace's dedicated volunteers just completed their 80 hours of training for the Domestic Violence Victim Response Team (DVVRT) and Sexual Assault Support Services (SASS) Advocate Team in the Spring of 2018. DVVRT and SASS team members provide vital support to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault during the most critical time. In the past 12 years, the teams have served over 5,700 residents of Mercer County.



Womanspace's 40th Annual Meeting was held on October 18, 2017. We took this opportunity to induct our new board members and honor staff members who have hit landmark anniversaries. We recognized Martina Hernandez for 20 years with Womanspace, Althea Jones and Alison Daks for 15 years, Crystal Guerard for 10 years, and Nathalie Nelson for 5 years. We are grateful for their continued excellent service to Womanspace.



Without Womanspace's passionate and energized volunteers, we would not have such amazing events going on all over Mercer County benefitting Womanspace and spreading awareness. Women Entrepreneurs of Central Jersey Presented the Spring Soiree, The Celebrate You Event on April 19, 2018 at Mercer Oaks Gold Club.



Womanspace supporters celebrated the 24th Annual Barbara Boggs Sigmund Awards at the Westin in Princeton on Thursday, May 24, 2018. We were delighted to honor L.Y. Marlow, author, motivational speaker, and founder of the domestic violence prevention organization Saving Promise. L.Y. Marlow is pictured with our 2018 BBS Committee.



R.O.S.A Rising Over Sexual Abuse had their inaugural Trenton Annual Sexual Assault Awareness 3K Walk on Saturday, April 14, 2018 in Cadwalader Park. All Donations went to Womansapce and it was a great success in dollars and in raising awareness.



Communities of Light <sup>™</sup>, Peace Begins at Home Campaign helps raise awareness and lets victims know they are not alone. In 2017, Womanspace was honored to have Kristin Appleget, Director of Community & Regional Affairs at Princeton University serve as our 16th Annual honorary Chairperson of COL. Thank you to Kirstin and our local police officers always helping to bring peace at home.



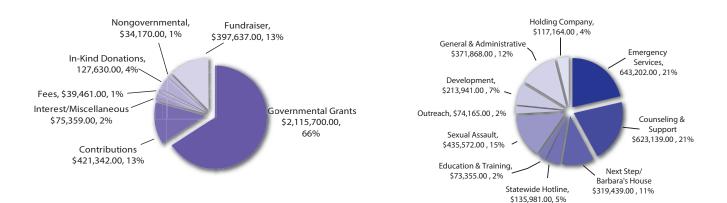
## FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

## SNAPSHOT OF PEOPLE SERVED

Women
Children
Men
Hotline Callers
Total People served in FY 2017 II,900
Community Members Educated & Professionally Trained 5,301

## REVENUE FY 2018

EXPENSES FY 2018



## STAFF MANAGEMENT TEAM

Patricia M. Hart – Executive DirectorAlison Daks – Sexual Assault Support Services CoordinatorKay Lory – Associate Executive DirectorHeidi Mueller – Domestic Violence Victim Response Team CoordinatorLauren Nazarian – Director of DevelopmentSusan Adams – Volunteer & Community Outreach CoordinatorSusan Victor – Director of Counseling & Support ServicesNathalie Nelson – Director of Human Resources & OperationsReyna Carothers – Director of Emergency ServicesNicole Reaves – Fiscal Manager

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

The Emergency Services program assists victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking, following the initial crisis, by providing round-the-clock access to the safe house and hotlines.

## SAFE HOUSE PROGRAM

Womanspace's Safe House provides secure, temporary emergency housing in a safe, confidential location, where survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking and their children can begin to recover and plan for a violence-free life. The program opened its doors—in this very location—nearly forty years ago, in 1978, and was filled immediately. It continues to be the only short-term residential program of its kind in Mercer County.

The Safe House is a warm and welcoming environment, staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Staff members support families in working through the immediate crisis. Clients receive individual counseling, case management, and ongoing advocacy, and have access to a weekly array of support groups that explore themes of safety, empowerment, living skills, healing from crisis, and the importance of building a support network. Advocates are available to assist clients in setting goals based on individual and family needs; these goals may include identifying viable safe housing options and other community resources—such as childcare, child supportive services, counseling, job training, legal assistance, substance abuse treatment, and medical and mental health providers. Safe House clients also have a full scope of services available to them at Womanspace's Counseling and Support Services office in Lawrenceville, as well as access to the agency's non-denominational chaplain.

Our Children's Program offers information about the effects of domestic violence on children, as well as support for mothers on how to talk to their kids about their current situation. Children also receive individual case management, counseling, and support during their stay with us. Daily, curriculum-based activities; help with homework; open playroom time; and recreational activities give moms some respite. The Children's Program also offers a bi-weekly children's group and a bi-weekly mother's support group.

The Child Advocate assists mothers in linking them to childcare or to a nearby school system, medical services, counseling, and other agencies in the nearby community. Safe House staff also offers supervision and support around parenting and communal living issues, by assessing needs, nurturing relationships, and offering positive guidance. In 2008, Emergency Services began a homeschooling program that provides Safe House clients an additional educational option for their children. Five experienced teachers volunteer their time to make this program a resounding success. Womanspace is very proud to say that it is the only domestic violence agency in New Jersey to offer homeschooling.

## PROGRAM SUCCESS OUTCOMES FY 2018 (MEASURED BY PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SURVEYS):

- 87% of clients surveyed stated that they knew more about community resources as a result of the services they received.
- 94% of clients stated that they knew more about ways to plan for their safety as a result of the services they received.









# Emergency Shelter FY 2018 Statistics:

## TOTAL SHELTER CLIENTS SERVED: 163

Women
Shelter Services Provided
Advocacy
Counseling:
Individual Sessions
Children's Individual Sessions
Support Counseling - 4 groups per week:
Group Participants
Children's Group Participants0
Family Counseling
Children's Educational and
Recreational Activities
Home School Educational Sessions 0
Home School Educational Hours0
Children's Home School Participants 0**
Elementary School Students0
Middle School Students0
High School Students0

\*\*Home School option is a choice Womanspace is able to offer to mothers and their school-aged children residing in shelter, during the school year.

## CLIENT SURVEY FEEDBACK, FY2018:

Question: "What do you think you would have done if the shelter didn't exist?"

"I really don't know what I would have done" "I would have most likely stayed in an abusive relationship" "Been abused until my daughter saw, or slept on the street" "Tried other countries"

Question: "When you decided to come bere, what did you think the shelter would do for you?" 98% of safe house clients used the words, safe and protection to answer this question.

"Help me get out of my depression so I can focus on my kids" "Keep me safe, provide referrals, and help with relocation" "Give me and my kids a safe place away from my attacker, I wasn't sure what else could be done"

## ETHNICITY (ADULTS)

African American	. 41	47%
Caucasian		
Latino		
Asian		
Biracial		, -
Other		, .
Other	4	• 4/0

## Age

## Children

Conuren		
0-4	. 34	5%
5-9	. 26	5%
IO-I4	. I I I	5%
15-18	. 4	5%
Adults		
19-24	. 15 I	7%
25-34	. 31	5%
35-44	. 24	7%
45-59	. I6 I	8%
60+	. 2	2%





The Crisis Hotlines are operated by Womanspace, Inc. 24 hours a day, 365 days a year at the safe house. Staff members respond to calls from victims of domestic violence, human trafficking, and sexual assault, their families, friends, and human services professionals. Spanish-speaking counselors are always available, as is access to a language line for those needing interpretation in languages other than English and Spanish.

In 2015, Womanspace, Inc. added a texting hotline for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing survivors (609) 619-1888.

The local *Mercer County Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Hotlines* assist victims of trauma in often lifethreatening situations, by offering options for immediate safety that include the protective and supportive Emergency Services program, as well as access to the agency's countywide assistance at area hospitals, courts, police departments, and health clinics. People in crisis receive immediate and confidential assistance from trained and experienced staff. Forsafe house or emergency assistance in Mercer County call (609) 394-9000.

The Emergency Services program of Womanspace also operates the *New Jersey Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline* an information and referral service, helping victims, and community members identify appropriate supportive programs or services in their respective counties. For safe house services or referrals/information anywhere in New Jersey call **1-800-572-SAFE (7233)**.

**BedFinder**, an Internet-based website/application, was originally piloted in 2013 with Womanspace and other agencies in New Jersey, to simplify the process of finding human trafficking survivors emergency placement at domestic violence shelters and residential programs throughout the state. The Safe Shelter Collaborative, as this collective of human services agencies is known, eventually began to use BedFinder to locate safe house services for domestic violence survivors, too. The re-traumatizing effects on survivors of multiple safe house assessments, as well as the onerous task on staff of placing multiple telephone calls has been replaced with a simple, single request seen and responded to quickly by all participating programs.

## HOTLINES FY 2018 STATISTICS: TOTAL HOTLINE CALLERS SERVED: 6,476

MERCER COUNTY – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE			Total
Victim Crisis Calls			I,799
Information Support Calls			I,624
Female Calls			3,248
Male Calls		••••••	175
Total Calls			3,423
MERCER COUNTY – SEXUAL ASSAULT Female Calls Male Calls Total Calls			
New Jersey Statewide – Domestic Violence	Female	Male	Total
Victim Crisis Calls	I,52I	I42	I,663
Information Support Calls			1,010
Total Calls			2,673

## PROGRAM SUCCESS OUTCOMES (MEASURED BY PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SURVEYS):

• 98% of callers stated that they received all of the information they needed.

# Chaplaincy Program

Womanspace is committed to meeting the needs of clients holistically, and to that end, has a chaplain on staff who can provide pastoral care and counseling to those who seek it. Often fear of violating religious beliefs and confusion and misunderstanding of religious teaching, keeps people stuck in abusive relationships. Womanspace's Chaplaincy program offers nondenominational pastoral care and spiritual counseling to clients of all faiths so that they can learn to see themselves through the eyes of their own faith, as persons worthy of dignity, value and respect. They can use their faith to draw strength in times of trouble and gain courage to make life-giving choices.

The Chaplaincy program also runs groups at the shelter and at the counseling office as the need arises. The "Reflections Group" at the shelter allows women whose lives have intersected because of similarly traumatic experiences to have the opportunity in a safe, spiritual and compassionate forum to share and reflect on their circumstances and what it means to them. All shelter clients are encouraged to participate in this group. As the need arises, a "Spirituality Group" that is a time limited, closed group is offered at the counseling office. This group is focused on examining the intersection of trauma and ideas of what it means to be a person of faith. Womanspace's clients at all sites may request to meet with the chaplain or chaplain interns for individual pastoral counseling. We recognize that spiritual beliefs are held differently by each person, which impacts how they manage a time of crisis in their lives. Our goal is to offer compassion and non-judgmental spiritual support as they create a safe and sacred space for themselves.



Rev. Susan Victor, Th.M, MSW, LCSW Director of Counseling and Support Services

The chaplain networks with area congregations to establish important community links to Womanspace services and to further their understanding of the dynamics of domestic violence and its effects on family members, especially children. Through education and dialogue, faith communities can grow to be truly safe sanctuaries and healing places for those affected by trauma as they learn about the impact of domestic violence and sexual assault on individuals, families and the larger community. Womanspace provides field education opportunities to seminary students. Over a year-long placement, seminary interns work closely with staff and clients, supervised by Womanspace's chaplain to learn how theological education can be practically used to provide comfort and care to those in crisis.

## CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM FY 2018 STATISTICS:

COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND OUTREACH (CLERGY AND NON-CLERGY)
Outreach to Community Clergy Members
Number of Speaking Engagements and Outreach events
Total Number Educated
COUNSELING AND SUPPORT (CLERGY AND NON-CLERGY)
Individual Chaplaincy sessions (Shelter and CSS)
Number of CSS Group Participants0
Self-Awareness (Reflections) Group sessions at Shelter0
Number of Shelter client group participants0
Spirituality Group Sessions at Womanspace Facility0
Number of Womanspace clients group particpants

# Domestic Violence Victim Response Teams

Begun as a model program for New Jersey by Womanspace in 1998, the Domestic Violence Victim Response Teams (DVVRT) are comprised of volunteers who undergo extensive domestic violence training to prepare them to provide support, information and referral to victims. These committed, specially trained volunteers are called

to the police station at the time of a domestic violence incident in order to intervene at a time of crisis. The services the team members can offer victims are difficult for the police to provide, given their responsibilities at the time of the incident. This partnership has also allowed for thorough training of the pounicipal law enforcement agencies and Womanspace is vital.



## MERCER COUNTY DOMESTICVIOLENCE

VICTIM RESPONSETEAMS:	Total Call-outs	TOTAL SERVED
I. East Regional Team: (East Windsor,		
West Windsor, Robbinsville, Hightstown)		
2. West Regional Team: (Ewing, Pennington		
Borough, Hopewell Township and Borough		
and The College of NJ)		I44
3. Hamilton Team		
4. Central Regional Team: (Lawrence Township, Rider Universi	ty,	
Princeton and Princeton University)		
5. Trenton Team		
6. New Jersey State Police		
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM RESPONSE TEAMS FY	2018 STATISTICS:	
DVVRT VICTIMS AND SIGNIFICANT OTHERS TOTAL SERVED	): 824	
Total Team Call-outs		644
Victims Served		
Women		
Men		97

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Children served	
Significant others served (Women-46, Men-I0)	

## PROGRAM SUCCESS OUTCOMES (MEASURED BY PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SURVEYS):

- The victims we served routinely stated that they felt that the services provided by the response team volunteers were beneficial and that they clearly understood their options.
- The police officers we work with to serve victims are overwhelmingly supportive and helpful.

# Sexual Assault Support Services Program

The Sexual Assault Support Services (SASS) Program uses a comprehensive, multiprogrammatic approach to address the needs of victims in Mercer County, with the primary goal of providing services to all sexual assault victims. We assist victims of acute sexual assault through both the medical and legal processes and provide individual and group counseling to support victims in healing from the effects of rape trauma syndrome. Our program structure includes direct service staff and volunteers who work with victims and collaborate with law enforcement and medical professionals to promote healing through a victim centered response to sexual assault.

In addition to services for victims, Womanspace provides counseling, support and education to spouses, partners, parents, children and siblings of victims. These co-victims are closely attached to the person who is suffering from trauma. Counseling is provided through our Counseling and Support Services Program. The quality of life for survivors and their families is increased consequent to this support and they are better able to participate and contribute to their community.

Another important aspect of the program is providing education about sexual assault throughout Mercer County. The staff educators regularly seek out a variety of groups in the community, including students from middle school age through college, educators, helping professionals, faith communities, law enforcement and court personnel to increase the awareness of the serious nature of this crime and educate the public regarding the services available to victims. Education for professionals includes information to assist in identifying and supporting possible victims. Untreated sexual assault trauma is crippling both for the victim and the community, and healing is necessary if both are to progress.

## SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICES FY 2018 STATISTICS:

SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICES PROGRAM TOTAL SERVED: 549

Telephone hotline calls380Accompaniments73
Accompaniments
Victims Served
Women
Children
Men2
Significant Others Served
Women
Men4
Counseling:
Individual Counseling Clients Served65
Victims Served60, Significant Others Served5;
Victims Served60, Significant Others Served5; Women
ChildrenI
Men5
Individual Counseling Sessions
Family Counseling Sessions4
Support Group Člients
Total Support Group Sessions9



## PROGRAM SUCCESS OUTCOMES (MEASURED BY PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SURVEYS):

- 100% of the callers reported that they received appropriate support, information and referrals.
- Victims and their significant others routinely reported that the counseling, support, information and referrals they received were tremendously helpful to them.
- The educational presentations conducted this year were consistently rated as outstanding.

" I have learned to be more open and I'm not alone with my problems....I also learned a good way to calm myself with an angel hug."

Client survey, 2018

# Counseling and Support Services

Potential clients find their way to Womanspace's Counseling and Support Services office in Lawrenceville, having been referred to us by word of mouth, by former clients, the police or the court system, by searching the web, or just walking into our office hoping to find some kind of help. All those who seek help are screened to determine how we might best serve them. Womanspace counselors are trained to identify and understand the intricate dynamics of domestic and sexual violence. All of our counselors work hard to ensure that those who seek our services -men, women and children - are offered support and resources to enable them to journey toward healing from trauma. Services are provided to those in crisis, regardless of their ability to pay.



Individual counseling, available in both English and Spanish, focuses on increasing safety and reducing isolation. Our counselors understand that just ending a relationship does not result in an end to violence, threats or harassment. To facilitate access to our services, we are also housed at El Centro in Trenton and at RISE in Hightstown. Wherever our clients receive counseling services, our goal is to help them determine the best options in their particular situation, whether our clients are trying to make sense of what they are living through in a relationship marked by domestic or sexual violence, or are trying to make a decision about what to do about their relationship.

We offer weekly English and Spanish Drop-In Support Groups. Other groups such as our Sexual Violence Psychoeducational Trauma Group and Spirituality Group are conducted as the need arises. The Safe Mother's Healthy Children Group provides support and psychoeducation and is specifically geared to meeting the needs of the non-offending parent in a domestic violence relationship who has been referred to us through DCP&P.

We provide various types of advocacy: court preparation, meeting with our Court Advocate before a final restraining order hearing, and risk assessments for Mercer County Board of Social Services clients. Recognizing the impact that domestic violence has on homelessness, we offer services at agencies like the Rescue Mission and Homefront. Volunteer attorneys staff our bimonthly Legal Clinic and provide brief consultations to our clients, answering specific questions

they have related to family law. Partnering with community agencies and volunteers, we are able to provide support and a variety of educational workshops as requested.

Helping to empower our clients to make the decisions that they determine are best for them, while increasing their safety, is at the forefront of all our work.

## Womanspace Counseling clients are at different stages of healing from trauma. The overall consensus of all or our clients is that Womanspace helped them tremendously.

"My counselor is the best, she helped me with so much and I will be forever grateful."

"I love my counselor's peaceful way of talking and experience."

"Womanspace is a lifesaver, thank you to my counselor and staff, I can vent with confidence."

"I don't know where I would be today or in what state of mind if I didn't come to Womanspace."

"I owe my serenity and joy to Womanspace."

## COUNSELING & SUPPORT SERVICES: TOTAL CLIENTS SERVED: 3,720

## Counseling and Support –DV Services

Counseling (Female)	292
Counseling (Male)	I2
Counseling (Children)	I4
Counseling DV Clients Total Served	318

## SA Counseling:

Family Court (Clients - F-836; M-206)	1,372
Court (Female)	I,06I
Court (Male)	311

Group Participants	449
Homeless Survivor Groups	585
Outreach to homeless survivors	381
Legal Clinic	. 23

DV Liaison (Clients- Adult)24	9
Liaison (Female)	0
Liaison (Male)	9
DV Liaison (Clients- Children) 49	0

Trenton Municipal Court (Clients)	. 344
Trenton Municipal Court (Female)	. 289
Trenton Municipal Court (Male)	55
Hamilton Municipal Court (Clients)	29
Hamilton Municipal Court (Female)	20
Hamilton Municipal Court (Male)	9

Support Counseling- 4 Groups per week IS	51
Individual Counseling Sessions2,61	17
Individual Children's Sessions I	01
Family, Parenting, Sibling Sessions	23
Advocacy I8	32
Family Court Legal Services Provided 2,34	45

## ADULT COUNSELING CLIENTS:

AGE		
15-18 Adult	I	?%
18-24		
25-34	II3	
35-44	86	
45-59		
60+	18	
ETHNICITY		
African American	75	
Caucasian	76	
Latino	119	
Asian	20	7%
Biracial	II	
Other		I%

## CHILDREN COUNSELING CLIENTS:

AGE	
0-4	I
5-9	
10-14	
15-18	0

To a Womanspace Counselor:

"I now have a deeper understanding of the law-and the decisions I'm making."



HOUSING SERVICES provide an essential stabilizing factor for families who have experienced domestic violence. Statistics indicate that 50% of homeless women and children are homeless as a result of domestic violence. The Womanspace housing programs foster independence and self-sufficiency for victims of domestic violence. The housing services of Womanspace address a number of different issues facing women as they carefully plan to find safety and protection from abuse.

## TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM

Transitional Housing provides individual and group counseling, financial education and assistance with budgeting, linkage to community resources, and career assessment and direction. The selected clients who enter the I2-24 month program are committed to attaining self-sufficiency but need affordable housing and additional support to reach their goals. The individual and group counseling assists victims in recovering from the trauma of the abuse they suffered. Additionally, the work done with the mothers regarding parenting is aimed at helping the children understand what happened in their family and nurturing the parent/child bond. Through this process the children can express their feelings and also heal from the effects of the violence. Another crucial component of the program is connecting clients to needed services in the community and strengthening their support system. Womanspace provides the only transitional housing program in the county designed specifically for domestic violence victims. The program is unique in that it recognizes that leaving a shared dwelling and a relationship does not guarantee safety and that the assertion of independence often increases the potential for violence. Thus, safety planning is an ongoing activity with mothers and their children throughout the duration of their time in the program. The desired outcomes of the program is for each client to experience an increased sense of safety for themselves and their children, the



achievement of individualized goals while in the program, a safety net of services and supports to rely on and for each client to be able to be financially self-sufficient by the time they graduate from services.

Our BARBARA'S HOUSE NEXT STEP TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM, provides clients with housing and support services in an agency-owned apartment building. The clients in the program receive services and support from staff onsite, as well as the support of the other survivors in the program.

# Housing Services – FY 2018 Statistics:

## Transitional Housing - Barbara's House and Next-Step

## TOTAL SERVED 24 WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Women	AGE Children
Children16	0-4
Individual Sessions 142	5-9
Group Participants	I0-I4 3 I9%
Advocacy610	15-18 0 0%

ETHNICITY	Adults
African American 4	18-24 0 0%
Caucasian 0 0%	25-44 8 100%
Latino	45-59 0 0%
Biracial0%	60+0%
Other0%	

## PROGRAM SUCCESS OUTCOMES FY 2018 (MEASURED BY PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SURVEYS):

- 90% of clients surveyed state that they knew more about community resources as a result of the services they received.
- 96% of clients stated that they knew more about ways to plan for their safety as a result of the services they received.

"The openness of the group, acceptance of the therapists and clients, that helped me heal."

"Womanspace gave me new life...It is a place where love and compassion happen..."

# Education and Training Program

The Education and Training program works to create a coordinated community and systems response to domestic violence and sexual assault. The program utilizes community education, professional training and technical assistance in order to build public awareness and provide tools to the community that can be helpful in the response to domestic and sexual violence. Collaborative partnerships play a key role in the success of the program. Voices of victims and survivors, and a strong commitment to cultural competency, help to frame all aspects of our work. Womanspace professionals rely on the most accurate information, reliable research and best practice models in sharing critical information.

Our innovative primary violence prevention initiative, New Mexico Media Literacy Project, has continued to impress. We have worked with groups of children attending programs at Villa Victoria Academy, Y Scholars of Princeton YMCA, Girl Scout Troop 61283, Heart of NJ Council, YWCA Princeton Summer Camp and YMCA Trenton Summer Camp. Additionally we completed one cycle of presentations with Urban Promise, a mentoring and after school program in Trenton. With this group, the prevention educator worked with the older teens who act as mentors to the younger students. The project addresses how the media shapes our culture. Designed for students ages II - I5, this curriculum empowers individuals to better determine their own values and to make personal choices for their individual well-being. It meets multiple core curriculum standards for Wellness, Integrated Skills, Drugs and Medicines, Human Relationships and Sexuality ensuring its position as a valuable tool for all educational venues. This year, the Media Literacy Project will continue to expand services. Womanspace additionally trains teachers, counselors or other school/program staff in order to build and sustain the successes of the curriculum.

Training programs on a variety of topics including: The Dynamics of Abuse and Control of Domestic Violence; Sexual Assault Dynamics; Domestic Violence Effects on Children; Dating Violence; Elder Abuse; Objectification of Women in the Media; Healthcare and Domestic Violence; Human Trafficking; Safety in the Workplace; Stalking; Technology and Violence; are available to professional audiences and community education speakers are provided for those agencies, businesses, associations or organizations who request a Womanspace advocate or specially trained volunteer to speak about agency programs and services at a meeting or event.



## AGENCY-WIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING SERVICES FY 2018 STATISTICS:

## EDUCATION CATEGORY PARTICIPANTS

Professional Training and Education Services	06
Community Education Services	09
Total Community Members Educated and Professionally Trained	10
Community Events	22
DV/SA Response Team Training	86

## Community Education/Professional Training & Media Literacy Feedback:

"Training was above and beyond my expectations...] believe the information provided is priceless and everyone could benefit from it."

"Life changing information...Shows real Womanspace commitment to survivors."

"Essential knowledge for all clergy and humans.... Very helpful and informative."

"This has been so engaging and very interesting.....Im so glad I did this."

# Volunteer Program

We are very fortunate to have a very active Volunteer Program, comprised of over 400 generous individuals and organizations who contribute their time and expertise to assist the agency and our clients. Some of the volunteer opportunities include response team members for domestic violence and/or sexual assault victims, home schooling, computer and technical assistance, community education, legal consulting, fundraising, community events and holiday projects. The agency newsletter "Womanspace News" helps to keep volunteers informed of the activities within the agency. These dedicated volunteers are our most active supporters.

## VOLUNTEER HOURS JULY I, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2018

INTERNSHIPS - 1,758 HOURS

### Administrative Services

Administration – 416 hours Events – 1,018 hours Committees – 903 hours

EMERGENCY SERVICES Residential Services – 569 hours Hotlines – 56 hours

BARBARA'S HOUSE Residential Services – 53 hours COUNSELING & SUPPORT SERVICES Legal Clinic – 22 hours Municipal Courts – 885 hours

SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICES Accompaniments – 178 hours

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM RESPONSE TEAMS Callouts – 621 hours

COMBINED SEXUAL ASSAULT & DVVRT Training – 3,508 hours

TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS REPORTED - 9,987 HOURS

## SCHOOL & COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER GROUPS

Alpha Kappa Alpha BARNES & NOBLE PRINCETON Beth-El Synagogue BLACKROCK **BLO-OUT HAIR SALON** BOB'S BLANKIE BRIGADE BWNICE CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH CHARMING CHARLIE'S CHRISTINE'S HOPE FOR KIDS CHURCH OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, PRINCETON THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY CHRISTINE'S HOPE FOR KIDS COVANCE D & R GREENWAY DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE DELAWARE VALLEY INTERFAITH COUNCIL DELTA GEMS OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY DOCTORS EXPRESS URGENT CARE DWIGHT & CHURCH FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST GLORIA NILSON REALTORS -ROBBINSVILLE & PRINCETON GRATITUDE YOGA GREAT LOOKS HAIR SALON HAMILTON SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAMILTON WEST HIGH SCHOOL HOPEWELL VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS

J. KNIPPER & COMPANY John O. Wilson Neighborhood Center **JOHNSON & JOHNSON** KEHILAT HA NAHAR SYNAGOGUE, NEW HOPE THE LAWRENCEVILLE SCHOOL LIVING HOPE CHURCH L'OREAL CONSUMER PRODUCTS McCaffrey's Princeton & West Windsor MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE MERCER COUNTY WOMEN'S COUNCIL OF REALTORS METROPOLIS SPA & HAIR SALON MUSIC FOR ALL SEASONS Nassau Presbyterian NEW JERSEY ATHLETIC CLUB Novo Nordisk NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL PAYMENT MANAGEMENT PENNINGTON QUALITY MARKET PRINCETON ACADEMY OF MARTIAL ARTS PRINCETON FARMERS MARKET PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY PRINCETON UNITARIAN CHURCH PRINCETON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PRINCETON UNIVERSITY SHARE OFFICE PRINCETON UNIVERSITY QUADRANGLE CLUB **REVERE** RISTORANTE RIDER UNIVERSITY R.O.S.A. (RISING OVER SEXUAL ASSAULT)

ROWAN UNIVERSITY RUTGERS UNIVERSITY **RWJ** FOUNDATION ST. GEORGE'S GREEK CHURCH -PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIRTY ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH ST. JAMES CHURCH PENNINGTON ST. MARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SANDOZ Soma Intimates – Quakerbridge Mall STONY BROOK GARDEN CLUB STUART COUNTY DAY SCHOOL TERHUNE ORCHARDS TERRA MOMO RESTAURANT GROUP TRADER JOE'S, PRINCETON TRENTON YMCA UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE & DENTISTRY NEW JERSEY UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE VICTORIA SECRET'S INTIMATES WEIDEL REALTORS – PRINCETON WEST WINDSOR PLAINSBORO HIGH SCHOOL North & South WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS OF CENTRAL NEW IERSEY WOMEN HELPING WOMEN



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Roberta Sutker



## The Campaign for the Children

## Because every child deserves Peace at Home

The fresh face of a child, full of wonder, asks nothing more than to be loved. Yet when home becomes a place where fear replaces laughter and "normal" rests only in the unexpected, a child's world is broken. The Campaign for Children seeks to raise funds to sustain and expand our innovative children's program that provides therapeutic interventions including emotional support, the building of a healthy self image and effective coping skills. Strong, healthy children help to ensure future families without violence and generations of children who thrive in peaceful loving homes.

The Campaign for Children is an ongoing initiative that is being led by Womanspace Board members, Joan Bartl and Ingrid Reed. They would welcome the opportunity to discuss your interest in supporting this important endeavor.

For more information, or to make a contribution, please contact Lauren Nazarian, Development Director, at 609-394-0136, ext. 205 or lan@womanspace.org

All donations are welcome and we hope you will consider the urgency of helping our children and be as generous as possible.

**Question: "If you didn't come to Womanspace, how would you feel?"** "I would feel sad because I enjoy talking to my counselor."

"I would feel depressed because I can't get out of all my problems in my family and get advice."



## 1977-2018 Serving Mercer County

Women	
Children	
Men*	
Hotline Callers	
Total People served 1977-2018	
Community Members Educated & Professionals Trained	
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All numbers include sexual assault statistics beginning in 2002

\*Statistics for male victims beginning in 2001



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### MERCER COUNTY 24-HOUR HOTLINES

Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault I-609-394-9000

Womanspace is friendly to the deaf community. Deaf and hard of hearing individuals please text us 24/7 at (609) 619-1888

> New Jersey Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline I-800-572-SAFE (7233)

For more information, or to make a gift in any amount, contact us: Lauren Nazarian, *Director of Development* I-609-394-0136 lan@womanspace.org

Womanspace affirms its commitment to cultural competency. We recognize and value the ethnic, religious and racial richness of our communities, and encourage mutual respect and understanding among all people. True excellence in our organization and communities results from identifying, serving and enlisting the participation of all people who represent this rich diversity.

Womanspace is a member of the New Jersey Coalition against Sexual Assault, the National Coalition to End Domestic Violence and the New Jersey Coalition Against Human Trafficking.