# A 2014-2015 Annual Report

## Women's Advocates ANNUAL REPORT

2014-2015



The mission of Women's Advocates is to eliminate domestic violence in the lives of women, children and families.

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2014-2015 SHELTER

Women's Advocates provides shelter for women and children escaping domestic violence. This secure building includes 24/7/365 staff support. Our shelter offers up to 50 women and children a bedroom, a full service kitchen serving three meals a day, seven days a week.

## In the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year:

(Between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015)

330 women and 503 children received shelter at Women's Advocates.

18,500 nights of shelter were provided to women and children.

54,700 meals were provided to women and children.

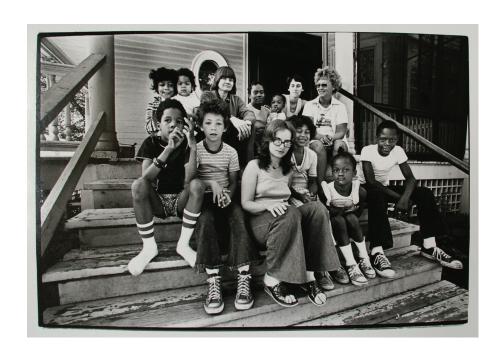
Shelter Expenses: \$614,084

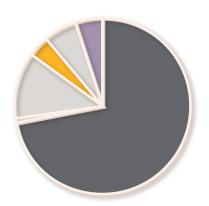
Shelter expenses comprised 33% of organizational expenses.

Women's Advocates opened its doors in 1974 as the first shelter in the nation for women escaping domestic abuse.

Situated in three Victorian houses in the Summit Hill neighborhood in Saint Paul, our shelter is a critical public safety resource in our community.

Women's Advocates welcomes women and children of all backgrounds and is a safe place where women and their children can build pathways towards safety and stability.



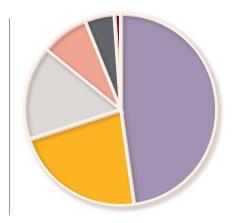


#### WHERE DO RESIDENTS COME FROM?

Saint Paul 72%
Suburbs/Ramsey Co. 1%
Minneapolis 12%
Suburbs/Hennepin Co. 4%
Greater TC Area 6%
Greater MN/Out State 5%

## WHERE DO RESIDENTS GO AFTER SHELTER?

Moved in with family/friend 48%
Moved into own apartment 22%
No known destination 16%
Found other housing program 8%
Moved back to their old place 5%
Hospitalized 1%



## 2014-2015 WOMEN'S PROGRAM

In the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year:

(Between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015)

200 women received crisis interventions

2,959 hours of individual support were provided by family advocates

193 women received Order for Protection information

31 women received rent support from Rapid ReHousing after leaving the shelter

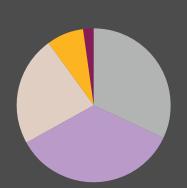
Women's Program Expenses: \$511,428

Women's Program expenses comprised 28% of organizational expenses.





Our Women's Program is rooted in individualized family advocacy, which begins with a safety plan and caring for one's most urgent needs. Each resident's perspective, history, and unique situation serves as the basis for work with their family advocate as they address immediate and long-term needs. With a team of advocates available 24 hours a day at our shelter, women and families are fully supported and encouraged on their journey towards longterm safety.



AGES OF WOMEN AT SHELTER: 32% between 18 and 24 35% between 25 and 34 23% between 35 and 44 8% between 45 and 54 2% over 55

## 2014-2015 CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

In the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year:

(Between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015)

503 children ages 0-17 came to Women's Advocates

63 children over 5 created a safety plan

263 children participated in children's activities

74 kids attended children's support groups

73 kids received Animal Assisted Therapy

An average of 36 hours of drop-in childcare was provided to each child resident

Children's Program Expenses: \$213,562

Children's Program expenses comprised 12% of organizational expenses.



Women's Advocates' Children's Program focuses on providing children with the support needed to manage the emotional and behavioral ramifications of witnessing domestic violence. Support, safety planning and group activities are provided for the children staying at our shelter. A drop-in childcare center is available at the shelter for all children.



## 2014-2015 STAFF MEMBERS

Between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015

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## 2014-2015 COMMUNITY OUTREACH & RESOURCES



Women's Advocates offers two services to the community, a 24-hour crisis line for people experiencing domestic abuse, and an outreach program for people or groups interested in learning about domestic abuse.



1,277 callers provided with referrals in 2014-2015
2,803 callers received crisis intervention and support in 2014-2015

### In the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year:

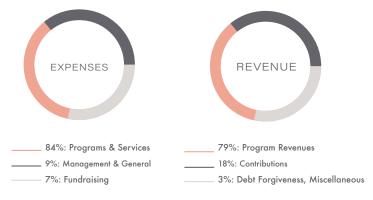
(Between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015)

An estimated 15,000 total calls were received by our 24/7 Crisis Line 330 volunteers helped Women's Advocates 2,397 hours were served by volunteers 2,984 people were trained and informed via 84 presentations on domestic violence, and 95 people were engaged through tours of Women's Advocates

Community Outreach & Resources Expenses: \$219,219

Community Outreach expenses comprised 12% of organizational expenses.

## 2014-2015 FINANCIAL REPORT



|             | Audited Financial Statements      | 2014-2015 | 2013-2014 |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Assets      | Total Current Assets              | 1,984,836 | 1,960,098 |
|             | Net Property & Equipment          | 1,104,029 | 1,160,913 |
|             | Total Other Assets                | 507,683   | 508,023   |
| Liabilities | Total Current Liabilities         | 103,256   | 147,526   |
|             | Long-Term Debt                    | 204,676   | 230,260   |
|             | Net Assets: Undesignated          | 1,332,432 | 1,295,064 |
|             | Net Assets: Board Designated      | 1,956,184 | 1,956,184 |
|             | Total Liabilities and Net Assets  | 3,596,548 | 3,629,034 |
|             |                                   |           |           |
| Revenue     | Program Service Revenue           | 1,497,134 | 1,487,877 |
|             | Contributions                     | 344,846   | 403,138   |
|             | Debt Forgiveness                  | 25,584    | 25,584    |
|             | Interest & Miscellaneous          | 17,690    | 22,060    |
|             | Total Support & Revenue           | 1,885,254 | 1,938,659 |
|             |                                   |           |           |
| Expenses    | Programs & Services               | 1,558,293 | 1,632,582 |
|             | Management & General              | 162,558   | 144,602   |
|             | Fundraising                       | 127,035   | 65,348    |
|             | Total Expenses                    | 1,847,886 | 1,842,532 |
|             | CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS | 37,368    | 96,127    |
|             | NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR    | 3,251,248 | 3,155,121 |
|             | NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR          | 3,288,616 | 3,251,248 |
|             |                                   |           |           |

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