

Annual Report:

Measuring Achievement 2020-21

The Women's Center Inc.

Columbia & Montour Counties of Pennsylvania

❖ our thoughts

Each year we are faced with new challenges in the fight against domestic and sexual violence. The continued pandemic made it a difficult and challenging year for everyone, even more so for victims of domestic and sexual violence. Abusers often use isolation as a means of control. The increased isolation caused by the pandemic put victims of domestic and sexual violence at an increased risk for violent incidents. Victims were forced to spend more time with their abusers and cut off from their usual support systems making reaching out for help not only difficult but dangerous.

The Women's Center remained open throughout the pandemic; however, we did have to adapt service provision and staffing to maintain the recommended social distancing and safety requirements. Our primary concern was providing services as safely as possible. Staff worked tirelessly to provide

support and crisis services to victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Columbia and Montour counties.

The accomplishments you will find herein are the culmination of the hard work, dedication, and tireless determination of our staff, volunteers, supporters, and the community.

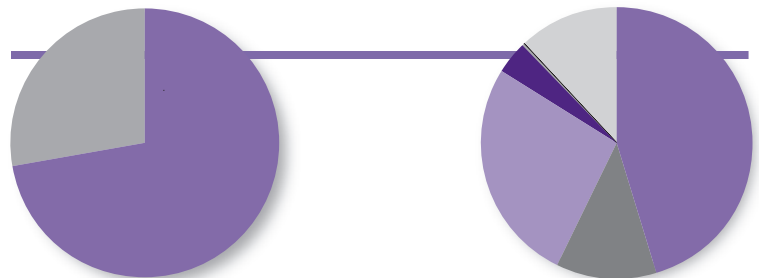
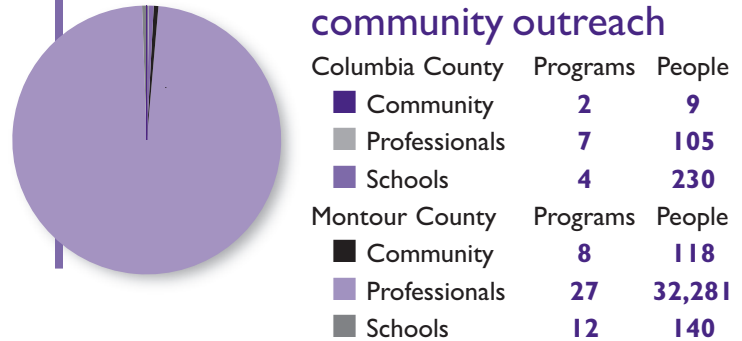
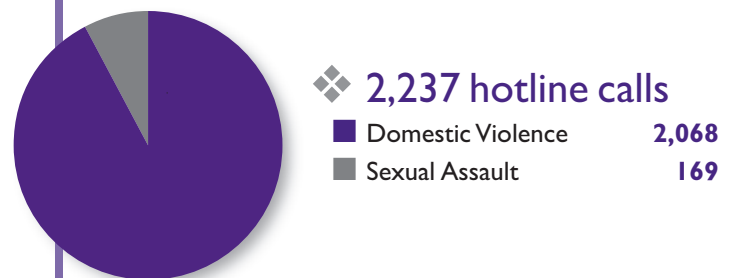
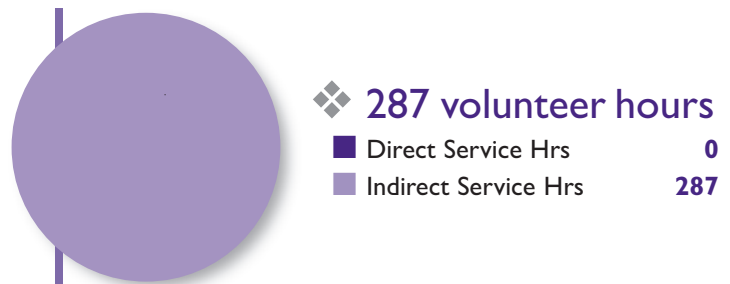
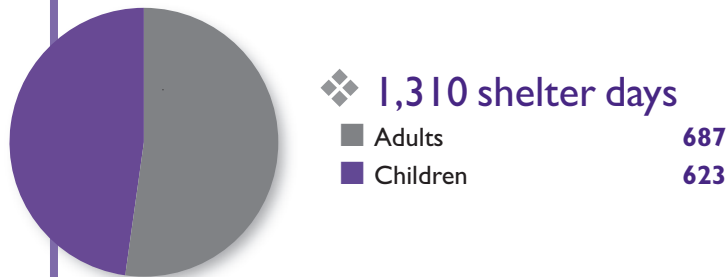
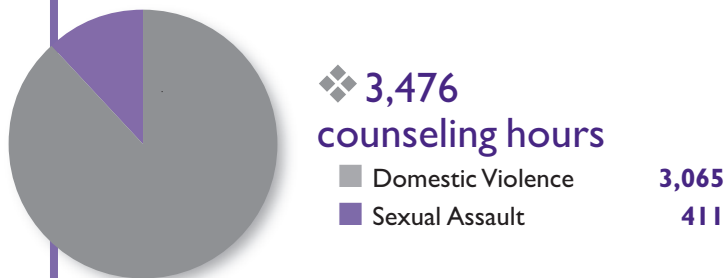
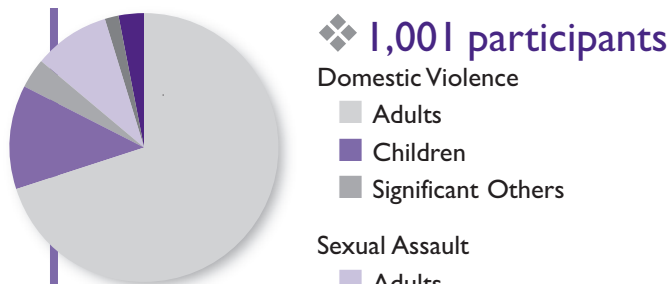
We are grateful for your generosity, support, and continued dedication to ending domestic violence and sexual assault in Columbia and Montour counties.



Christy Roberson,
Executive Director

❖ twc accomplishments 2020-2021

- ❖ Clean audit with absolutely no findings for the 19th consecutive year
- ❖ Successfully applied and was approved for PPPL forgiveness
- ❖ Successfully transitioned leadership staff
- ❖ Began work with Berwick Hospital for direct service provision and accompaniment services
- ❖ Maintained hotel agreements for emergency shelter provision
- ❖ Maintained DELTA educational programming in the Danville Area Middle School virtually
- ❖ Hosted a successful toy drive, collecting 200 toys and raising almost \$2,000 for the purchase of toys for families in need
- ❖ Provided toys to 5 families, including 18 children
- ❖ Held our Annual Participant Holiday Event as a meal and toy pick up, serving 11 adults and 32 children
- ❖ Partnered with the Columbia Montour Area Agency on Aging to develop placemats with resource information for Elder Abuse Awareness Month.
- ❖ Received a healthy workplace grant to create a small gym for staff to increase health and wellness
- ❖ Provided 211 instances of emergency financial assistance (emergency food, cleaning supplies and personal care items)
- ❖ Conducted a cell phone drive yielding over 50 phones
- ❖ Raised \$22,251 in total donations
- ❖ Expanded internal infrastructure and capabilities
- ❖ Maintained representation on local social/human service boards across Columbia and Montour County
- ❖ Partnered with the Columbia County Housing Authority to provide transitional housing 1 woman and child through our Bridge House Program
- ❖ Made modifications to our shelter facility to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases including installing touchless sink faucets, toilet flushers, hand sanitizing dispensers, soap dispensers, hand dryers, and sanitization stations throughout the facility
- ❖ Converted education and training curriculums to online modules or virtual training offerings
- ❖ Increased continuing education and skills development for all staff
- ❖ Continued the Giant Gift Card Fundraiser. Giant gift cards can be purchased on the website at www.thewomenscenterinc.org.



❖ twc board of directors

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| Rona Anderson, <i>President</i> | Katherine Raker |
| Alison Haberstroh, <i>Vice President</i> | Renee Fawess |
| Joan McDonald, <i>Treasurer</i> | Gretchen Schappert-Frye |
| Christina Francis, <i>Secretary</i> | Megan Shalongo |
| Christy Roberson, <i>Ex Officio</i> | Dr. Jet Mboga |
| | Danielle Spaid |
| | Eric Beishline |

❖ \$ 1,230,396 expenses

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| Program Service | \$ 890,347 |
| Management and General | \$ 340,049 |
| Fundraising | \$ 0 |

(expenses & revenue based on TWC Fiscal Year)

❖ \$ 1,235,119 revenue

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| Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence | \$ 562,299 |
| Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape | \$ 146,082 |
| Other Government Funding | \$ 329,801 |
| Local Support | \$ 48,398 |
| Fundraising | \$ 1,282 |
| Investment Return | \$ 508 |
| PPL Loan Forgiveness | \$ 146,749 |

