

Notable Accomplishments

- We made substantial structural improvements to our Legal Services Office, ensuring our organization can provide access to emergency injunction legal services to survivors for years to come!
- Facing reduction in the availability of federal grant resources, our organization engaged in strategic planning and underwent a process of restructuring which ensured that ALL programs and services were retained for survivors.

Survivor Quotes

"Staff have been very supportive and made me feel comfortable in a situation that I have never been able to face."

"Everyone was very helpful and kind. I will miss them all when I leave shelter!"

"Coming to Dawn Center has helped me in more ways than I can explain."

"Thank you for all your help."

"Coming here has been very healing."

"Thank you, I will miss everyone (the staff) when I move on!"



Community Partnerships



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DawnCenter

Domestic & Sexual Violence Services

24/7 Helpline 352-686-8430 Call or Text

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Dawn Center of Hernando County is a certified domestic and sexual violence center providing no cost supportive services for victims/survivors to heal and plan their futures. Dawn Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to creating social change in the community and breaking down the barriers of stigma, silence, and shame.

Our Mission - To break the cycle of domestic and sexual violence by providing supportive services and leadership that promotes social change.

Our Vision - A community free from violence and abuse.

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Event Sponsor Acknowledgement

We would like to thank our event sponsors this year. Thank you for the support of survivors and Dawn Center's work the whole year through.

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Program Statistics

24 Hour Helpline

Total domestic violence calls to helpline - 1,260
Total sexual violence calls to helpline - 148

Residential Shelter

Bed nights - 18,245
Meals served - 33,219
Adults served - 174
Children served - 124
Support group attendees - 153
Counseling services received within the residential housing programs - 5,391
Counseling services received in transitional housing - 2,419
Counseling services received in shelter - 2,972

Outreach Support

Total outreach participants received counseling as a service - 351
Total # of times the counseling service was delivered in any outreach program - 2,413
Total adult participants who received outreach services - 411
Total child participants who received outreach services - 60
Total outreach support group services delivered - 166
Total economic justice services delivered - 1,050

Sexual Violence Program

Total sexual violence participants served - 119
Total crisis intervention /counseling - 910
Support group attendees - 25
Forensic exams - 28

Prevention Education

Presentations - 108
Youth reached - 299

Community Awareness

Professional trainings - 16
Adults reached - 842

Legal Advocacy

Court accompaniment/injunction support - 71
Legal advocacy - 379

Child Welfare Projects

Direct referrals - 137
Children served - 137
Consultations & technical assistance - 184

Volunteers are the heart of our mission

Total volunteer hours - 2,475
Total volunteers - 105

Community Outreach

Community events - 27
People reached - 1,638

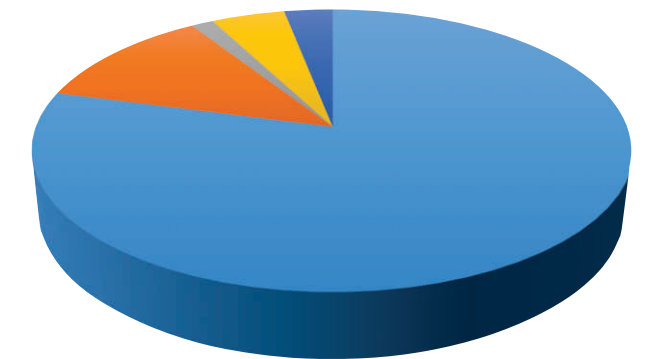
Social Media Reach

Average annual reach:
Facebook - 68,800
Instagram - 872

Followers:
Facebook - 3,768
Instagram - 281



Funding Sources



■ Federal Funding 79.09%
■ State Funding 11.75%
■ Local Grants 1.42%
■ Fundraising / Contributions 4.66%
■ Other 3.08%

Total: 100%