



SAVA ANNUAL REPORT 2016



LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear SAVA Supporters,

I am thrilled to be writing this introduction to our 2016 Annual Report as the Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center's new Executive Director! I joined SAVA's team of fantastic staff and dedicated volunteers in mid-February, 2017 and have been continually impressed with what SAVA is accomplishing across Northern Colorado. SAVA is not only a critical community resource for survivors and their families, but is truly leading the way to end sexual violence in our communities. Through cutting-edge prevention programs and ever-growing partnerships with organizations, foundations and individuals like you, we are making a critical difference in Northern Colorado.

With your support, in 2016 SAVA responded to 778 Hotline calls in Larimer and Weld Counties. Through our 24-hour Rape Crisis Hotline, survivors can reach us at any time, day or night. We provide critical advocacy and support as they navigate the health care, legal and law enforcement systems, and we ensure that they have access to a variety of therapy services for themselves and their family members, regardless of their ability to pay. Because of your support, we have been able to eliminate critical barriers to receiving help following a sexual assault.

Additionally, in 2016 SAVA made significant progress in working toward our mission to end sexual violence in Northern Colorado.



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Our prevention education programs expanded their reach in both Larimer and Weld Counties, and we served 4,981 youth through our three age-specific prevention programs. In addition to this impressive number, we had an extraordinary group of high school juniors and seniors who served as peer educators through the Sexual Assault Resource Team (SART) program. This leadership group included an unprecedented 305 peer educators, ensuring that a true culture change can happen for youth at the high school level.

Finally, we have successfully partnered with the City of Fort Collins to continue our collaboration as the first “It’s On Us” community in the nation. In April we will be gathering with hundreds of state and local officials, students and campus leaders for the first It’s On Us Summit at CSU. As part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, we will be again showcasing our FACES photo exhibit, along with a series of events in both Larimer and Weld Counties. All of these educational programs and special events offer opportunities for community members to learn more about the realities of sexual violence and the steps we can all take to prevent it.

Your support is vital to our success and to creating safer communities for all of us. Thank you for all that you do to support the SAVV Center and we look forward to sharing our progress over the next year!

Sincerely,

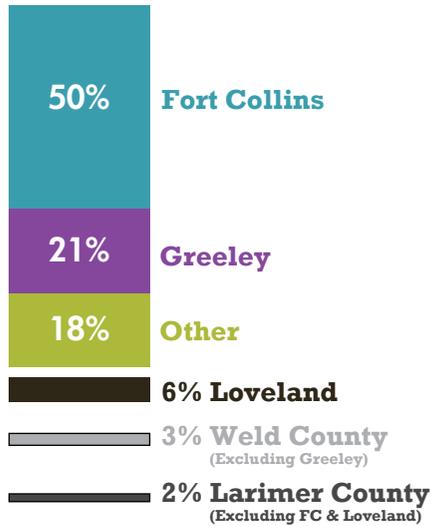


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Executive Director

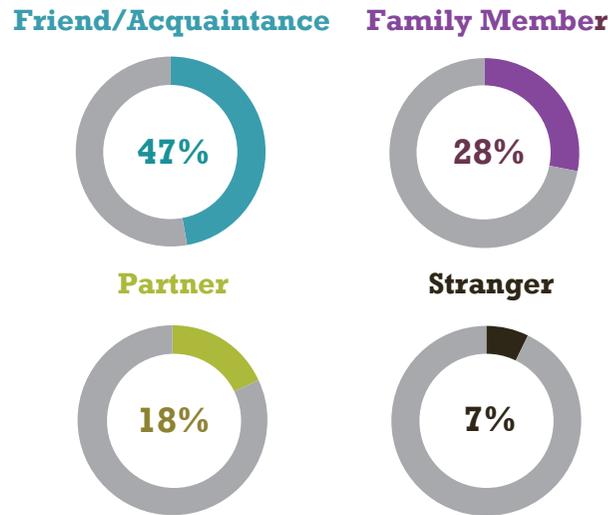


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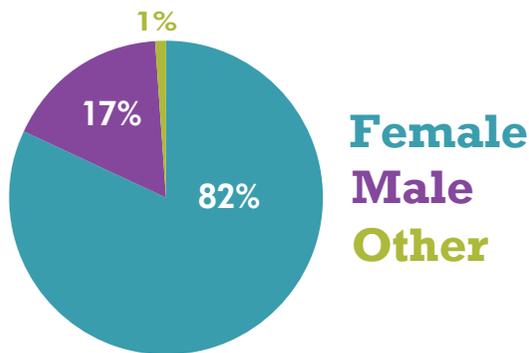
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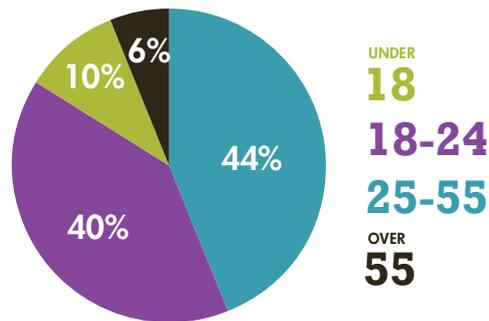
Relationship to Perpetrator



Gender and Age of Victims



***92%** were considered low income



***41%** were assaulted before the age of 18

OUR MISSION

The Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center's mission is to provide crisis intervention, advocacy, and counseling for all those affected by sexual violence, and provide prevention programs through community outreach and education.

“

They are incredibly kind to our family and my daughters absolutely love them. I don't know where we would be without them, but I do know that we are much better off with them. Thank you so much for everything.

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2016 INCOME & EXPENSE

Revenue

Private Donations	\$96,800
Government Grants	\$319,306
Special Events (net)	\$105,035
Corporate, Foundation, and Nonprofit Grants	\$125,854
Program Service Fees	\$51,886
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$14,230

Total Revenue & Support \$713,111

Expenses

Program Services (82%)	\$555,066
Management & Administration (11%)	\$71,345
Fundraising (7%)	\$48,037

Total Expenses \$674,448

Net Income \$38,663



PREVENTION EDUCATION



SART Peers

305 Poudre School District peer educators

3,722 Poudre School District participants

30 Weld County School District 6 peer educators

1,098 Weld County School District 6 participants



Speak Up!

69 girls and **31** boys in Thompson School District and Poudre School District.

16 girls and **21** boys in Weld County and District 6.



SuperWorld

65 participants ages 8-12

15 community mentors

Served Fort Collins, Loveland, and Greeley.

SAVA'S PROGRAMS



Crisis Intervention & Therapy

Assistance by phone or in person to individuals who have been affected by sexual violence. Therapists specially trained to work with sexual assault victims and their loved ones.



Legal Advocacy

Help and support for victims interested in reporting the crime to law enforcement. Assistance in filing related paperwork. Accompaniment during criminal and civil court hearings.



Medical Advocacy

Information on medical resources following a sexual assault. Accompaniment during the Sexual Assault Nurse Exam.



General Advocacy

Support in accessing additional services related to sexual assault. Advocacy in working with other community service providers to ensure victims' interests are represented.



Crime Victim Compensation

Assistance and guidance in completing and filing application for crime victim compensation.



Prevention Services

Community skill-building and strategy development to prevent sexual assault. It is our aim to change the societal norms that support sexual violence through education.



Information and Referral

Response to requests from victims, families, and service providers for information or assistance related to sexual assault.

SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIM SERVICES

Toll-Free Rape Crisis Hotline

- 24-hour support for victims and their loved ones
- Staffed by specially-trained sexual assault victim advocates

Therapy

- Trauma-informed counseling for victims and their loved ones
- Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR)
- Strength-based therapy
- Cognitive behavioral therapy
- Narrative therapy
- Play therapy for younger victims of child sexual abuse (Weld County only)

Support Groups

Specific groups are formed to fit client needs.

- Female survivor support groups
- Male survivor support groups
- Secondary survivor support groups

SUCCESS AT EVERY AGE

“Victoria” came to SAVVA after suffering years of sexual and physical abuse by her step-father. She realized it was affecting her marriage and her relationship with her child. She has made great strides in therapy learning to trust people around her and how to communicate more effectively.

“Zack” is a 7 year old boy who was abused by a neighbor. He bottled up his anger to deal with what was happening to him. One day, he exploded and began acting out. Through his work in play therapy, he has learned to manage his emotions in a healthier way. His parents report he is doing better at home and at school.

“Sarah” is a 14 year old girl who came to SAVVA after being referred by a crisis center. The first few sessions were spent building a safe therapeutic space because she was hesitant to work with a male therapist. After a short time in therapy, she said “It is about time that someone started treating me like I am not broken.” Sarah left the session being self-empowered that she is an active change agent in her life.



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