

CRIME VICTIMS AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE CENTER - 4610

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center (CVSVC) is to provide direct and comprehensive services to all individuals affected by sexual assault and other crimes of personal violence. Utilizing therapy, advocacy, community mobilization, prevention education and bystander engagement, CVSVC seeks to change societal conditions that allow and perpetuate oppression.

WHO WE SERVE

The Albany County Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center provides a comprehensive range of services to emotionally and physically injured crime victims in Albany County. The Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center is available to anyone of any age who has experienced a sexual assault or other personal crime at any time in their life or who has been affected by someone else's victimization. We have been proudly serving victims of crime since 1975.

ABOUT OUR DEPARTMENT

The Center operates a 24 hour crisis hotline for supportive counseling and advocacy at Albany County hospitals and police stations for victims of sexual violence. Free, confidential treatment is offered to individuals, families, and groups. The Center offers public education programs and community mobilization projects on interpersonal violence prevention for adults and children throughout the County. Our outreach and education efforts reach from urban and suburban to rural areas of our county. We also share staff with Albany County Department for Children, Youth and Families' Children's Advocacy Center to bridge our two departments to collaborate and maximize community outreach.

The Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center provides information, criminal justice and court advocacy and referral services to all crime victims, and assists them in filing claims for compensation from the NYS Office of Victim Services. Specialized services are offered to domestic violence victims and their children, including services offered through Albany County's Coordinated Community Response to Domestic Violence Team. We also work closely with the Albany Police Department to reduce gun involved violence.

2016 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CHALLENGES

- We continue to partner with local community agencies and schools, providing prevention education and outreach to further our mission of changing the societal norms which perpetuate oppression. We have maintained strong relationships with 15 local elementary, middle and high schools in 11 school districts and 8 colleges, presenting to their students regularly. Additionally, we engage numerous community agencies. During 2016, we educated community members at organizations from state and local governments, EMS organizations, child care organizations and other service providing agencies. With our expanding education base, we are constantly educating new children, parents, educators and community members, who will in turn assist in furthering the community mobilization aspect of our mission.
- We organize the Albany Community Partnership, which provides diversified outreach opportunities to Albany County communities through collaborations with other service providers and Albany County departments.
- We continue to facilitate the "Be the Difference" campaign, which educates and engages dozens of fellow employees who serve thousands of Albany County residents. As of the end of 2015, we had successfully completed two years of this five year project, utilizing "peer leaders" from previously completed sessions to educate current members. We have begun an exciting curriculum for 2016 with DSS and Probation.
- We launched the "Our Healthy Babies" project, which provides support, resources and information to new and expectant families via an extensive network of service providers.

Center Statistics:

In the last twelve months, we have provided services to 12,488 individuals and families.

We provided crisis intervention 2,041 times.

We assisted 1,189 clients via our sexual assault crisis hotline.

We accompanied over 500 rape victims to the Emergency Room for a forensic rape exam.

We provided criminal justice support to 5,688 people.

We accompanied 500 people to court appearances.

We provided information and referral 10,140 times.

We provided individual and family therapy to 2,901 crime victims.

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We offered group treatment and support to 330 individuals.

We completed 482 Office of Victim Services applications with clients and registered 900 clients for Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE).

2017 GOALS AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS

- With CVSVC's new Campus Sexual Assault coordinator, we are looking to re-invigorate our college campus education and advocacy efforts, support college students and assist campuses in providing comprehensive, trauma-centered care for survivors.
- Working with the US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants, we will continue to expand our services for immigrants and refugees who have been the victim of a crime by providing comprehensive translator services and multi-language informational resources.
- Our staff members will deliver the following grantor deliverables:
 1. Provide assistance in completing the NYS OVS Compensation Claim Application to 15 victims per month.
 2. Provide compensation claims information to 155 victims per month.
 3. Open 160 new victim/client cases each month
 4. Provide Counseling 170 times each month.
 5. Provide Telephone Counseling 50 times/month.
 6. Provide 270 follow-up contacts per month.
 7. Provide therapy 110 times each month.
 8. Provide support groups to 10 victims per month.
 9. Maintain 24-hour hotline for 30 calls per month.
 11. Provide Information & Referral to 550 victims per month.
 12. Provide Criminal Justice Support & Advocacy for specific victims 350 times per month.
 14. Provide Personal Advocacy for specific victims 50 times per month.
 16. Provide accompaniment to 8 forensic rape exams per month.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET CHANGES

The 2017 Executive budget for the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center does not include any substantive programmatic changes.

Our prevention education programs are often the site for relationship- and capacity-building within the community. They allow us to educate children, adults, educators and community members about topics ranging from consent and relationships to bullying and self-esteem. These programs aim to provide people with the skills and options necessary to respond to and prevent violence through bystander intervention, resources and supportive, trauma-informed discussion.

Letters from partners and schools like the ones below (from a community organization and elementary school students, respectively) affirm our goal to deliver prevention education that is based in support and empowerment.

"Thank you so much for providing our group with your bystander intervention training. You gave us a lot of great information and suggestions and prompted us to have productive conversations and planning regarding this topic. You helped us to be better prepared to create a safe environment for our volunteers and diners. Your work is appreciated!"

"Thank you for talking to us about bullies. I learned that life is not about fighting it's about helping others."

"Thank you for the lesson on bullying. So when someone bullies me I will know."

A4610 Crime Victims Sexual Violence		2016	2017	2015	2016	2017	2017	2017	
		Count	Count	Expended	Adjusted	Requested	Proposed	Adopted	
Personnel Services Individual									
A4610	11028 001 450001	Director Crime Victims Center	1	1	\$74,343	\$79,343	\$80,930	\$80,930	-
A4610	12232 001 450003	Clinical Supervisor	1	1	\$60,605	\$61,818	\$61,818	\$61,818	-
A4610	12235 001 450005	Crime Victim Therapist	1	1	\$46,366	\$47,692	\$47,692	\$47,692	-
A4610	12235 002 450006	Crime Victim Therapist	1	1	\$47,259	\$48,205	\$48,205	\$48,205	-
A4610	12237 003 450010	Crime Victim Caseworker	1	1	\$39,531	\$40,322	\$40,322	\$40,322	-
A4610	12237 004 450011	Crime Victim Caseworker	1	1	\$34,888	\$40,322	\$40,322	\$40,322	-
A4610	12237 005 450012	Crime Victim Caseworker	1	1	\$39,531	\$40,322	\$40,322	\$40,322	-
A4610	12238 001 450018	Superv.Crime Victim Caseworker	1	1	\$49,826	\$52,869	\$50,823	\$50,823	-
A4610	12239 001 450013	Prevention Educator	1	1	\$38,454	\$41,491	\$41,891	\$41,891	-
A4610	12254 001 450020	Volunteer Coordinator PT	1	1	\$37,040	\$41,472	\$42,302	\$42,302	-
A4610	12272 001 450026	Campus Sexual Assault Coord.	1	1	\$0	\$39,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	-
A4610	15501 001 450021	Administrative Aide	1	1	\$31,705	\$37,900	\$37,900	\$37,900	-
A4610	16401 002 450017	Confidential Secretary	1	1	\$36,028	\$36,749	\$37,484	\$37,484	-
<i>Personnel Services Individual Subtotal</i>			13	13	\$535,576	\$607,505	\$610,011	\$610,011	\$0
Personnel									
Personnel Non-Individual									
A 4610	19950	Longevity Raise			\$8,750	\$9,100	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$0
A 4610	19951	Health Insurance Buyout			\$2,000	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
A 4610	19970	Temporary Help			\$2,990	\$3,375	\$3,375	\$3,375	\$0
A 4610	19982	On Call Pay			\$1,120	\$7,280	\$7,280	\$7,280	\$0
Subtotal for: Personnel Non-Individual					\$14,860	\$21,755	\$24,005	\$24,005	\$0
Equipment									
A 4610	22001	Office Equipment			\$5,479	\$24,436	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal for: Equipment					\$5,479	\$24,436	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contractual Expenses									
A 4610	44020	Office Supplies			\$1,468	\$2,290	\$1,990	\$1,990	\$0
A 4610	44021	Computer Supplies			\$0	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$0
A 4610	44035	Postage			\$688	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$0
A 4610	44036	Telephone			\$1,173	\$2,076	\$2,076	\$2,076	\$0
A 4610	44037	Insurance			\$1,409	\$1,480	\$1,419	\$1,419	\$0
A 4610	44038	Travel-Mileage, Freight			\$4,542	\$6,175	\$6,175	\$6,175	\$0
A 4610	44039	Conferences/Training/Tuition			\$2,981	\$3,300	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0
A 4610	44040	Books/Transcripts/Subscripts			\$752	\$1,581	\$1,081	\$1,081	\$0
A 4610	44042	Printing And Advertising			\$1,760	\$1,800	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$0
A 4610	44046	Fees For Services			\$115,026	\$355,085	\$197,416	\$197,416	\$0
A 4610	44049	Special Programs			\$0	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
A 4610	44070	Equipment Repair And Rental			\$1,153	\$1,401	\$1,401	\$1,401	\$0
A 4610	44105	Water			\$285	\$380	\$380	\$380	\$0
A 4610	44300	Association Dues			\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0
A 4610	44903	DGS Shared Services Charges			\$60,720	\$59,804	\$61,237	\$61,237	\$0
Subtotal for: Contractual Expenses					\$192,458	\$439,572	\$281,525	\$281,525	\$0

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		Count	Count	Expended	Adjusted	Requested	Proposed	Adopted
Fringe Benefits								
A 4610 89010	State Retirement			\$88,780	\$120,820	\$97,324	\$97,324	\$0
A 4610 89030	Social Security			\$40,991	\$47,124	\$48,502	\$48,502	\$0
A 4610 89060	Hospital And Medical Insurance			\$159,325	\$177,221	\$168,446	\$168,446	\$0
Subtotal for: Fringe Benefits				\$289,096	\$345,165	\$314,272	\$314,272	\$0
Total Appropriations				\$1,037,468	\$1,438,433	\$1,229,813	\$1,229,813	\$0

Revenue								
A4610	01669	Contrib. Rape Crisis Center		(\$4)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
A4610	03334	Operation GIVE		(\$15,000)	(\$127,500)	(\$90,000)	(\$90,000)	\$0
A4610	03494	Human Trafficking Serv. Grant		\$0	(\$15,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	\$0
A4610	03495	Sexual Assault Prev.Educ.Grant		(\$171,942)	(\$280,223)	(\$265,223)	(\$265,223)	\$0
A4610	03496	Victims Assistance Grant		\$0	(\$442,833)	(\$426,443)	(\$426,443)	\$0
A4610	03497	Violence Against Women Action		(\$54,675)	(\$61,000)	(\$31,943)	(\$31,943)	\$0
A4610	04495	Sexual Assault Prevention Educ		\$0	(\$41,000)	(\$41,000)	(\$41,000)	\$0
A4610	04496	Victim Assistance		(\$371,100)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
A4610	04497	Violence Against Women		(\$66,750)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue				(\$679,471)	(\$967,556)	(\$864,609)	(\$864,609)	\$0

County Share				\$357,997	\$470,877	\$365,204	\$365,204	\$0
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