



FY 2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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OUR YEAR IN REVIEW

BY THE NUMBERS

6,032 clients received response line support, gaining access to resources and developing safety plans in the critical window immediately following a violent incident.



CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM

3,017 clients received stabilizing advocacy, including assistance navigating the Civil Protection Order process, social service referrals, and court accompaniment.



SUPPORTIVE ADVOCACY

349 adults and **270** children were housed in our crisis shelter, receiving case management and other services to help them become safe and determine their next steps.



SAFE SPACE SHELTER

LETHALITY ASSESSMENT PROJECT



Based on their Lethality Assessment scores, **1,179** clients were deemed High Risk, and thus received expedited and enhanced services from a specialized advocate intended to prevent re-assault or homicide.

ORGANIZATIONAL GROWTH



Community Partnerships

We have continued to expand our robust network of community partnerships to strengthen DC's coordinated community response to domestic violence. We now have **48** formal partnerships with government, social service, and other local organizations.



Advocacy Training Series

Our Training and Education Coordinator developed and implemented a monthly training series for our advocates. Specific trainings are provided by our partners who are experts in their field, such as the Wendt Center for Healing, Legal Aid, and the District Alliance for Safe Housing.

OUR SUPPORTERS

GRANTORS

- The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation
- Philip L. Graham Fund
- Office of the Mayor of the District of Columbia, Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants
- Office of the Mayor of the District of Columbia, Office on Latino Affairs
- Grants to Encourage Arrest and Prosecution Program, Office of the Mayor of the District of Columbia, Office of Victims Services and Justice Grants

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Michael Marion
Rosamaria Polanco
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Elizabeth Quigg
Katheryn Simpson
Leigh Sefanik
Marianella Taylor
Renee Weitzne

Up to \$49

Sarah Charmchi
Tracy Craig
Kaleigh Dirksen
Amber Fernie
Benjamin Griffin
Peggy Hale
Steph Hatfield
Corey Martin Memmott
Caroline O'Shea
Catherine Snyder
Elliott and Harriet Vines
Kyle Weidleman

OUR IMPACT

MARIA'S STORY

Maria found herself in an abusive marriage that was compounded by her husband's drug addiction. Not wanting to expose her two children to violence and an unsafe environment, she left her husband. Maria met and began dating another man who also turned out to be addicted to drugs. When her husband found out about this relationship, he became enraged and attacked her with a knife.



With the help of DC SAFE's Crisis Response and Supportive Advocacy staff, Maria and her children were accommodated at our SAFE Space shelter where she was assisted in accessing other services, including longer-term housing and therapy. "I'm thankful to DC SAFE for getting me the help I needed," Maria said. "I'm also grateful to my Advocate for helping me to open up about my problems, which is not something I'm used to doing, and for also checking up on my kids."

Maria and her children are looking forward to moving into transitional housing in a neighborhood that is safer than where they were previously living. What's Maria's advice for other single moms who are in an abusive relationship? "Reach out to get the help you need. It's important to know that you're not alone. Stay strong and don't give up."

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