

RAPE RECOVERY CENTER



2021-2022

Annual Report

WE EMPOWER THOSE VICTIMIZED BY SEXUAL VIOLENCE THROUGH ADVOCACY, CRISIS INTERVENTION, AND THERAPY AND TO EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY ABOUT THE CAUSE, IMPACT, AND PREVENTION OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE.

MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

“We know too well the widespread impacts of rape and sexual assault. This issue affects every community and leaves devastating intergenerational pain. We also know that Utah ranks higher than most states for incidents of sexual violence, while all other violent crimes fall well under the national average. I believe that healing happens in the



Collective. We cannot do this work alone. Creating a future that no longer tolerates sexual violence means we must examine the causes and actively work to decrease attitudes that promote it. This year, the Rape Recovery Center provided more than 23,000 direct services to survivors and reached over 18,000 individuals through our community efforts. Ultimately, we need our communities support to create a world where sexual violence does not exist.”

Sonya Martinez-Ortiz, LCSW

PERSONNEL

Leadership

Sonya Martinez-Ortiz, LCSW

Laura Baumgart, LCSW

Flor Olivo, MA

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Executive Director

Clinical Director

Development Director

*Community Engagement
Director*

33 Staff

78 Volunteers

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WHAT WE DO

1,672

total survivors served

1,383

helpline callers

23,469

services

632

Mobile Response
Advocacy Call-Outs



21

local hospitals served

237

outreach events

18,988

community members engaged

PROGRAMS



Prevention

With the goal of preventing sexual violence in the first place we offer intervention, healthy relationships, and consent curriculums to every middle and high school in Salt Lake County.

Advocacy

We work with survivors to foster personal safety, financial stability and connection to resources to address immigration, physical, mental health, and criminal justice needs.

Helpline

This year we partnered with the Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault to expand the 24-hour help line to make it more accessible statewide. The RRC continues to operate a local helpline during business hours.

Engagement

We develop and contribute to various programs, events, and projects to come together and learn how to end, prevent, and educate on sexual violence

Mobile Response Team (MRT)

Providing support for individuals who have recently experienced sexual violence 24 hours a day, seven days a week within Salt Lake County.

Individual and Group Therapy

We emphasize empowerment, compassion, awareness, and mindfulness for survivors of sexual trauma. We prioritize serving therapy clients who are uninsured or do not have other options for treatment.

Advocacy for Incarcerated Survivors

In 2022, we launched our newest service to provide greater access for incarcerated survivors to medical care, mental health, and confidential victim advocacy services.



RAPE RECOVERY MEANS...

"The Rape Recovery Center has been a major step for me on my journey to healing. It is here that I have found peace and a place where I can be open and honest about my abuse. The very individualistic approach they take has made me feel less like a patient and more like a warrior. It is here that I have found my wings!"

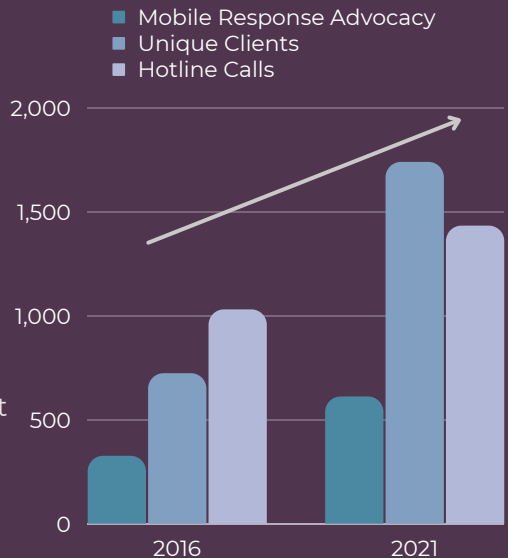
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HAPPIER LIVES
PRODUCTIVITY
FAMILIES
FREEDOM
THERAPY
COMMUNITY
COLLECTIVE HEALING
REASSURANCE
SUPPORT
VALIDATION
LOVE

The Continued Need

Utah continues to experience sexual violence at a high rate. Utah experiences rape at a higher rate than the national average (U.S. Department of Justice, 2014).

We have experienced an increase in demand with unmatched financial support. With government grants decreasing post-pandemic, support from individual and corporate donors remain at an all-time high.

As long as sexual violence continues to harm Utahns, the need for our healing services remains vital.



SURVIVOR AND COMMUNITY CLIENT DEMOGRAPHICS

79%

OF SURVIVORS HAD 80% AMI OR LESS

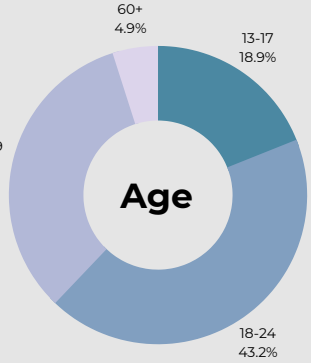
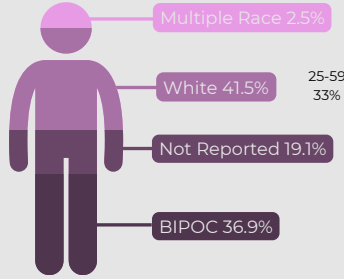
37%

IDENTIFIED AS PART OF THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY

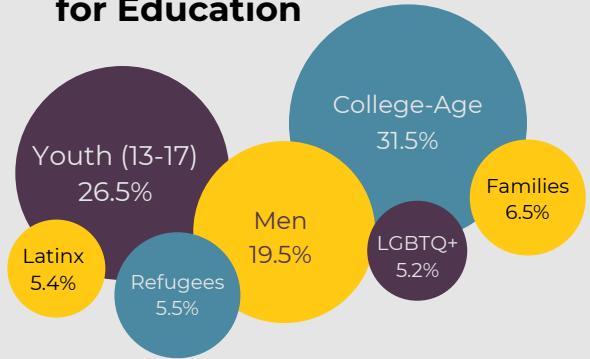
LANGUAGES SERVED

- Burmese
- Sango
- English
- Somali
- Hindi
- Spanish
- Kirundi
- American Sign Language

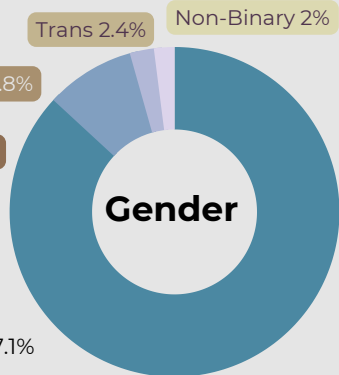
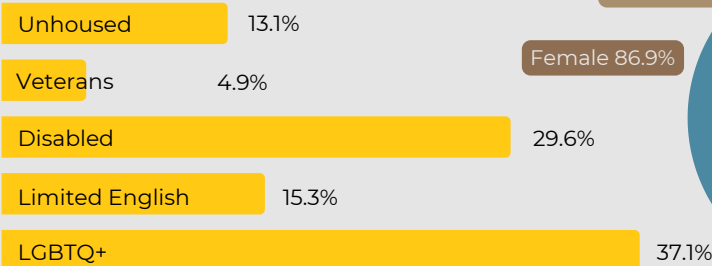
Race/Ethnicity



Target Groups for Education



Historically Excluded Populations



SURVIVOR SERVICES

88%

of survivors felt staff heard them and respected their backgrounds.

92%

of survivors said they would return to this agency if they needed victim services in the future.

"I feel respected and heard. My therapist is great and respects my feelings. if I need to move slower, she is very helpful and validates me when I'm feeling overwhelmed or anxious."

- Survivor & Client

MOBILE RESPONSE & ADVOCACY

87%

of survivors reported the services they received from RRC staff helped them deal more effectively with problems they were facing.

92%

would refer a friend in need of victim services to the RRC.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND PREVENTION

YOUTH INDICATED
AN INCREASE IN:

- **communication skills,**
- **boundary setting, and**
- **identifying consent in all relationships.**

33%

students reported increasing the protective factor of developing societal community support and connectedness



Youth reported they were more likely to intervene when witnessing harassment or bullying of their peers and increased emotional health and community connectedness.

I learned how to practice saying no and setting boundaries.
-Workshop attendee

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We learned about the many dimensions of consent and I'm glad we really delved deep into it!

-Peer Advocacy Council
Participant

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More youth were able to successfully identify signs of sexual, domestic, and dating violence in their and their peer's relationships.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Government Agency Partners

Salt Lake City Mayor

Salt Lake County Community Development Block Grant

Salt Lake County Mayor

Sexual Assault Services Program

State of Utah Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice

United States Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women

Utah Department of Health and Human Services

Utah Office for Victims of Crime

Philanthropic Partnerships

AmazonSmile

Bamberger Memorial Foundation

Becton Dickinson and Company

Benevity Impact Fund

Beta Theta Pi

BrainStorm, Inc.

BW Bastian Foundation

Castle Foundation

Chevron Matching Corporate

Colvin Engineering Associates

Community Foundation of Utah

CompHealth

Costco

Dee Foundation

Deseret Trust Company

Doctorow Foundation

Dominion Energy Foundation

Eskuche Foundation

Fidelity Charitable

Fit to Recover

FrontStream

George S. & Dolores D. Eccles Foundation

Good Grammar

Grandeur Peak Global Advisors

Haskell Fund

HEED RPM

Keener Foundation

Kroger

Making a Difference Foundation

Michael Foundation

Miller Family Foundation

Network for Good

New York Life Insurance Company

ONEHOPE

Only Forever Tattoo

Parsons, Behle, & Latimer

ProIndustrial, Inc.

Quarters Arcade Bar

R. Harold Burton Foundation

Revere Health

Robert W. & Barbara J. Keener Foundation

Rocky Mountain Power Foundation

Ruth Eleanor and John Ernest Bamberger Memorial Foundation

Select Health

Sorenson Legacy Foundation

Targa Media Inc.

Target

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Foundation

The HCA Foundation

Utah Medical Foundation

Vanguard Charitable

Willard L Eccles Charitable Foundation

Williamson Family Foundation

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