

- Confidential services, including shelter, to victims of intimate partner violence, teen dating violence, and human trafficking.
- Education, outreach, and prevention programs for adults and youth.

## 2015 COMMUNITY IMPACT AT A GLANCE



**55 Adults and 50 Children** accessed safety and services at the Safe Homes Shelter.



**4,689 Nights of Safety** provided in our Shelter's inclusive environment.



**730 Adults and 580 Children** served through Non-Residential Programs.



**15,700 Advocacy Services** encompassed the areas of court accompaniment, legal support, law enforcement, medical, mental health, social services, housing, immigration, employment, economic empowerment, and education.



**3,070 Hotline Calls** provided safety planning and access to support services and resources.



**5,507 Supportive Counseling** services to individual victims and survivors.



**143 Legal Cases** for orders of protection, custody, divorce, visitation, and child and spousal support represented by **Legal Services of the Hudson Valley**, through the **Family Justice Center**.



Participating with **OC District Attorney's Office**, Safe Homes assisted on **98** grand jury cases, advocacy for survivors on **302** occasions, and received **36** referrals for Safe Homes services.



Received **58** referrals from **Safe Harbors** for youth identified as being at risk or experiencing trafficking (between September thru December 2015).



**137 Presentations** reached **3,373 Adults** raising awareness about the dynamics and impact of intimate partner violence.

**318 Age-appropriate Workshops** reached **5,128 Adolescents and Teens** raising awareness on abusive versus healthy relationships, physical and online bullying, systems of oppression and cultural competency.

### *This is the difference you make!*

93 cents of every dollar donated to Safe Homes go directly into programs and services to help survivors and to educate our community.

**THANK YOU!**



Worked collaboratively with **Child Protective Services** caseworkers on **500** cases involving indicators of domestic violence, reported child abuse, and participated in **78** joint home visits.



**132** referrals for our **Therapeutic Counseling Program** provided counseling to **92** individuals with an amazing **567** sessions being provided.



The **Domestic Violence Liaison** conducted **267** assessments for DSS assistance and provided **323** waivers to enable survivors to safely comply with DSS requirements.

I entered this shelter unexpectedly in [the fall]. I entered a broken spirit, battered and hopeless. From the moment I stepped foot into Safe Homes, I felt compassion and love, emotions I haven't received in a while to the point where I forgot they even exist. The staff at Safe Homes showed me that they do.

Never in a million years did I ever fathom living in a shelter, the whole idea was a nightmare to me, but coming to Safe Homes was probably the best thing that ever happened. Every stereotype of a shelter was debunked. I entered a clean, safe, secure environment with staff at hand 24/7 to cater to my needs. Thank you to my case workers, for helping me with all my court issues. Thank you for your delicious meals and always listening to me. Thank you for entertaining me, and thank you for always being positive and assuring everything will be fine.

[...] today I leave whole and ready for a fresh start in life knowing my self-worth. Safe Homes made me realize that there is life after big screw ups. I love your staff and will miss all of you dearly.

- From a letter by a survivor exiting shelter

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