

Annual Report:

Measuring Achievement 2010

The Women's Center Inc.

Columbia & Montour Counties of Pennsylvania

❖ our thoughts

The Women's Center, Inc. is once again proud to present the 2010 Annual Report. As you read the following report you might notice a few developments. For instance, the 20% increase in counseling services since our last report. Or the 16% increase in the number of clients served or the 14% increase in hotline calls we received since 2009. It's easy to look at these numbers and infer that domestic and sexual violence is getting worse or that the community is failing to address these crimes. Nothing could be further from the truth.

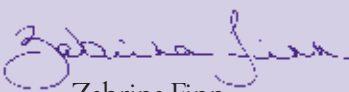
You might look at those numbers and ask, "What has happened to cause such a dramatic increase in domestic violence?" Truly, domestic and sexual violence is always there beneath the surface of our community. What you are seeing is not an increase in the problem but an increase in the response to it. The significant rise in the number of victims we have served and the amount of services they have received is in fact reflective of the fantastic advocacy work of The Women's Center staff and the consistent support and leadership of you, our friends and partners in the local community.

It's a simple formula; the more outreach we do and the more the community publicly supports victims and their families then the easier it becomes for victims to take the crucial first step toward freedom and safety. When the community makes it clear that domestic and sexual violence is unacceptable victims feel supported and will reach out for help with greater frequency. This report provides the evidence of that reality.

We extend our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the communities of Columbia and Montour counties for their tireless efforts to eradicate domestic and sexual violence in our area.



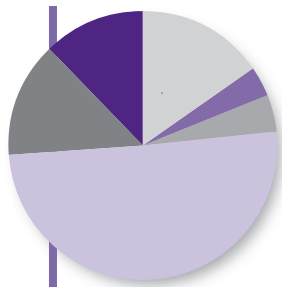
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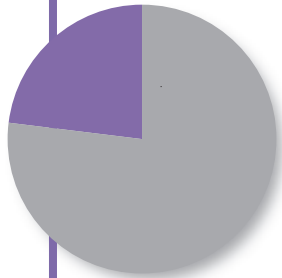
❖ twc accomplishments 2010

- ❖ Partnered with Tri-County Alliance of Bikers Aimed Toward Education to host 5th Anniversary Ride For Shelter. 87 individuals attended helping us to raise over \$2,200.
- ❖ In collaboration with the Columbia County VOCA Policy Board and area police officers, honored Sergeant Scott Traugh from Hemlock Twp. Police Department with an award for his work with victims of domestic violence.
- ❖ Volunteers donated 5,234 volunteer hours to the mission of The Women's Center, Inc. Valued at the minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour this represents nearly \$38,000 of salary donation!
- ❖ Clean financial audit with absolutely no findings for the 10th consecutive year.
- ❖ Hosted Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault vigils and events promoting domestic and sexual violence awareness in Columbia and Montour communities.
- ❖ Held our 36th anniversary luncheon recognizing professionals and community members for their outstanding contributions in response to domestic and sexual violence in Columbia and Montour counties.
- ❖ Honored Robyn Hampton for over a decade of excellent service and commitment to victims of domestic and sexual violence.
- ❖ Hosted summer Gateways program with 27 children enrolled. Enjoyed field trips to the Montour Preserve, Knoebels Amusement Park, Red Deer Farm and our very own fun fair. The children learned about cooperation, safety, non-violent problem solving, communication and boundaries.
- ❖ Held our annual Christmas Party with staff and volunteers serving 36 adult and 47 child participants. The event featured a home cooked meal of breast of chicken, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, salad and chocolate brownie cake for dessert.
- ❖ Partnered with Geisinger Health System and Bloomsburg Health System to conduct workplace trainings for managers and employees on Domestic Violence and Sexual Harassment in the Workplace.
- ❖ Linda Lentz, Medical Advocacy Coordinator, published her article entitled "Medical Documentation of Domestic Violence" in the Journal of Nursing.
- ❖ Hosted two community-wide cell phone drives that netted nearly \$750.00.
- ❖ Launched new e-bay store selling under the name "peaceineveryhome".
- ❖ As a member of the Columbia County Human Services Coalition we helped form the Columbia County Homeless Task Force.
- ❖ Partnered with Columbia County Housing Authority to provide transitional housing to 6 women and 10 children through our Bridge Housing program.
- ❖ Remodeled shelter bathrooms, including adding handicap accessibility features, painted bedrooms, replaced screen door, updated microwave, replaced shed flooring, and power washed the exterior at the shelter.
- ❖ Raised over \$17,000 through our 2010 Annual Giving campaign.
- ❖ Purchase of grocery gift cards available on website at www.thewomenscenterinc.org. Weis and Giant gift card fundraiser netted nearly \$3,000 in donations.



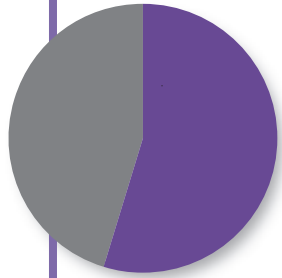
❖ 1,789 clients

Sexual Assault	
■ Adults	278
■ Children	60
■ Significant Others	80
Domestic Violence	
■ Adults	905
■ Children	248
■ Significant Others	218



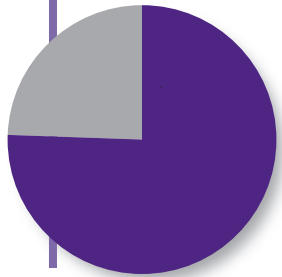
❖ 27,257 counseling hours

■ Domestic Violence	21,038
■ Sexual Assault	6,219



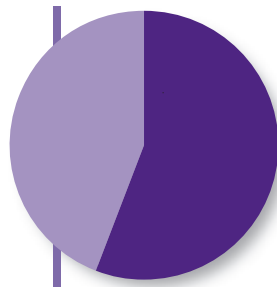
❖ 7,663 shelter days

■ Adults	4,203
■ Children	3,460



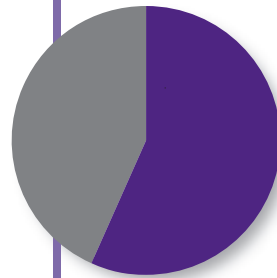
❖ 169 protection from abuse petitions

■ Columbia	128
■ Montour	41



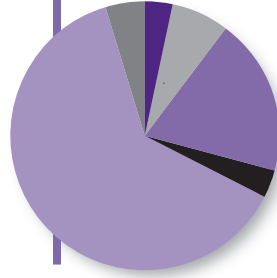
❖ 5,234 volunteer hours

■ Direct Service Hrs	2,923
■ Indirect Service Hrs	2,311



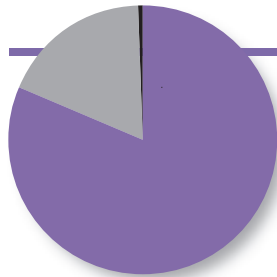
❖ 5,696 hotline calls

■ Sexual Assault	3,242
■ Domestic Violence	2,454



❖ 28,561 served by community outreach

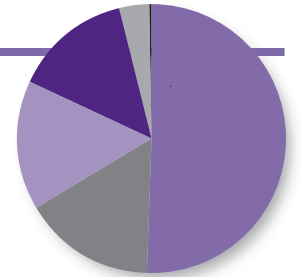
Columbia County	
■ Community	959
■ Professionals	2,015
■ Schools	5,414
Montour County	
■ Community	957
■ Professionals	17,913
■ Schools	1,303



❖ \$763,761 expenses

■ Program Service	\$ 621,781
■ Management and General	\$ 138,498
■ Fundraising	\$ 3,482

(expenses & revenue based on TWC Fiscal Year)



❖ \$739,916 revenue

■ Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence	\$ 374,209
■ Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape	\$ 118,844
■ Other Government Funding	\$ 113,670
■ Local Support	\$ 104,834
■ Fundraising	\$ 27,839
■ Investment Return	\$ 520

❖ twc board of directors

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