

Annual Report:

Measuring Achievement 2014

The Women's Center Inc.

Columbia & Montour Counties of Pennsylvania

❖ our thoughts

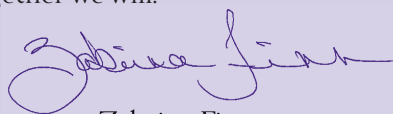
I am pleased to present to you The Women's Center 2014 Annual Report. Once again domestic and sexual violence made national and local headlines. We witnessed prominent sports figures engaging in intimate partner violence, a beloved actor who once portrayed a kindly preacher confessed that he perpetrated child sexual assault, and a respected comedian faced multiple accusations of sexual violence...to name just a few.

And once again because of those high profile cases the discourse on domestic and sexual violence rose from a murmur to a roar.

We see domestic and sexual violence occurring in our own communities each and every day. It can be disheartening when our larger society seems to only show a keen interest when either the victim or perpetrator is a celebrity. Our hearts break for the loss of innocence, safety and security that victims suffer each and every day. And each time one of our heroes turns out to be a monster we might be tempted to say that the problem is too big for us to ever hope to eradicate.

It's important to focus on the victories that the heightened awareness brings. For the first time in history one of the most watched sporting events in the nation featured an ad about domestic violence. One of the most powerful sports organizations in the nation is now actively and openly supporting victim advocacy. The Obama Administration released a series of steps that universities and colleges must take in order to prevent sexual violence on campus. In Pennsylvania, the Sexual Violence Victim Protection Act became the law of the land.

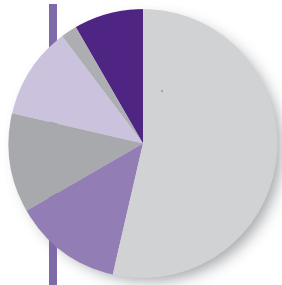
Look at the things we've accomplished. Together we can end domestic and sexual violence. Together we can stand and declare NO MORE. And together we will.



Zabrina Finn
Executive Director

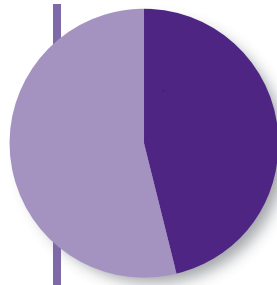
❖ twc accomplishments 2014

- ❖ The Columbia County VOCA Policy Board and area police officers, honored Pennsylvania State Trooper Kenneth J. Houck, Jr. with an award for his outstanding work with victims of domestic violence.
- ❖ Clean audit with absolutely no findings for the 13th consecutive year.
- ❖ Volunteers donated 5,543.85 volunteer hours to the mission of The Women's Center, Inc. Valued at the minimum wage of \$8.65 per hour this represents nearly \$47,954.30 of salary donation!
- ❖ Held an Open House at our Administration building for community members and volunteers to come and see some of the work we have been doing over the last 40 years.
- ❖ Erected Domestic Violence Awareness Month displays regarding Protection from Abuse Orders at both Columbia and Montour County Courthouses throughout the month of October.
- ❖ Hosted a Mock Rape Trial for Columbia/Montour Counties in April for 147 community members and students observers. The Trial was presided over by the Honorable Judge Gary E. Norton.
- ❖ Held our Ride for Shelter Event that had almost 50 riders, we raised over \$1,200.
- ❖ Held our 40th anniversary luncheon recognizing professionals and community members for their outstanding contributions in response to domestic and sexual violence in Columbia and Montour counties.
- ❖ Partnered with local community professionals including Geisinger Health System, PennDOT, and Jamison City Hotel to deliver gifts to families during the holiday season.
- ❖ Held our Annual Christmas Party with staff and 48 volunteers serving 82 participants and their children. Every child was also presented with a gift and a picture with Santa and Mrs. Claus.
- ❖ Hosted summer Gateways program with 23 children enrolled. The children enjoyed field trips to the Town Pool and Park, Knoebels Grove Amusement Park, Red Deer Farm, Bloomsburg's Fire Department, and the Children's Museum. The children learned about cooperation, safety, communication and boundaries.
- ❖ Partnered with Columbia County Prison and Montour County Jail to conduct trainings and educational resources on the topic of the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA).
- ❖ Participated in PennDot's Annual "Safety Day," by conducting a training on Workplace Bullying to over 100 participants.
- ❖ Refurbished all of the bedrooms at our Shelter location and added five additional permanent beds, making our total capacity of permanent beds, 32.
- ❖ Raised \$14,090.49 through our 2014 Annual Giving Campaign.
- ❖ We completely restructured our Direct Service Volunteer Training Class to make it a hybrid class where half of the courses are offered online through modules and the other half are offered through in-class sessions.
- ❖ Purchase of grocery gift cards available on website at www.thewomenscenterinc.org. Weis and Giant gift card fundraiser raising nearly \$26,750 in donations.
- ❖ Raised \$6,133.44 through e-bay store selling under the name "peaceineveryhome."
- ❖ Raised nearly \$22,417.37 in total donations.
- ❖ Partnered with Columbia County Housing Authority to provide transitional housing to 3 women and 8 children through our Bridge Housing program.



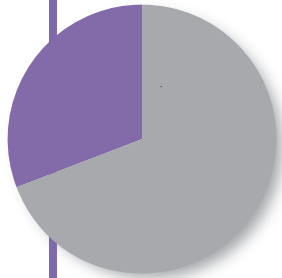
❖ 1,275 participants

Domestic Violence		
■ Adults		685
■ Children		168
■ Significant Others		151
Sexual Assault		
■ Adults		140
■ Children		28
■ Significant Others		103



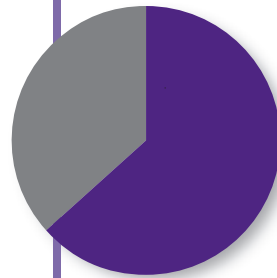
❖ 5543.85 volunteer hours

■ Direct Service Hrs	2,563.82
■ Indirect Service Hrs	2,980.03



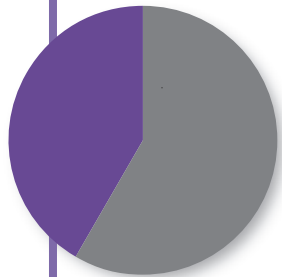
❖ 18,549.79 counseling hours

■ Domestic Violence	12,830.20
■ Sexual Assault	5,719.59



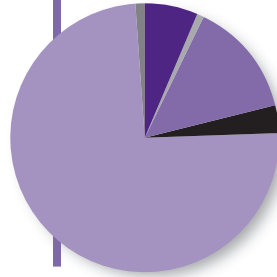
❖ 1,812 hotline calls

■ Domestic Violence	1,148
■ Sexual Assault	664



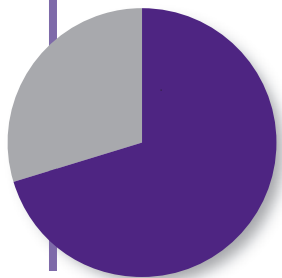
❖ 4,713 shelter days

■ Adults	2,760
■ Children	1,953



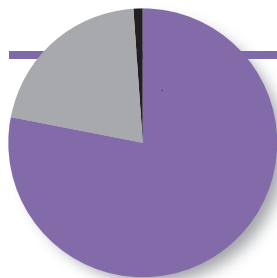
❖ 36,093 served by community outreach

Columbia County	Programs	People
■ Community	219	2359
■ Professionals	41	312
■ Schools	246	4,998
Montour County	Programs	People
■ Community	81	1,249
■ Professionals	63	26,827
■ Schools	53	348



❖ 118 protection from abuse petitions

■ Columbia	83
■ Montour	35



❖ \$ 725,609 expenses

■ Program Service	\$ 568,044
■ Management and General	\$ 150,925
■ Fundraising	\$ 6,640

(expenses & revenue based on TWC Fiscal Year)

❖ \$ 753,797 revenue

■ Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence	\$ 396,567
■ Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape	\$ 121,713
■ Other Government Funding	\$ 102,510
■ Local Support	\$ 113,600
■ Fundraising	\$ 18,768
■ Investment Return	\$ 639

❖ twc board of directors

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