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ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

MISSION

Peace House is dedicated to ending interpersonal violence and abuse and empowering survivors to heal and thrive by providing support services, safe housing, and prevention education.

VISION

We envision communities free of interpersonal violence and abuse.



A MESSAGE FROM

Kendra Wyckoff, Executive Director

Dear Friends,

I am so grateful for your ongoing and generous support of the Peace House mission to end interpersonal violence and abuse. We are so grateful for this community. Thank you to the steadfast leadership of our Board of Directors and to our dedicated and compassionate staff and volunteers.

Earlier this year I was watching a family in our courtyard through the window. A preschool-age child rode a tricycle around the path while their sister was being helped by her mother to learn to ride a big bike for what looked like the first time. Her mother stayed by the little girl's side, helping her keep her balance, and encouraging her along the way. She was clearly communicating: "You can do this, you've got this!" There was some fear and hesitation but then a smile appeared on her daughter's face. I watched as she found her independence and delightedly peddled away on her own.

I could not help but think of the scene as a perfect analogy of what we do here at Peace House. Our staff and volunteers, our board and our community, and you - the person reading this - are standing next to that mother as she is standing next to her child. We are helping her stay balanced and encouraging her along the way as she pursues the daunting and hopeful path to rebuilding a life free from violence.

Interpersonal violence is tragically common in our neighborhoods. During the 2023 fiscal year, 193 women, men, and children stayed at our community campus and another 300 people living in the community engaged in Peace House services. The need for victim services continues to grow in our service area and we are committed to reaching any families affected by abuse in our community. Last year, we saw a 41% increase in survivors accessing Peace House services.

More survivors of sexual assault are seeking help at Peace House since the addition of specialized sexual assault services. Reporting sexual violence can be a terrifying process. Peace House advocates are certified rape crisis counselors legally obligated to confidentiality and able to connect victims to relevant services. Advocates can offer support by remaining by the victim's side before, during, and after the medical exam to explain procedures, answer questions, and advocate for the victim. Our hope is for increased community awareness of organizations like Peace House that are available and trained to support in the wake of sexual violence.

Peace House has many years of experience and expertise in providing adult survivors with the resources needed to break the cycle of abuse. But the youngest victims of violence - children - need added and different resources to recover from abuse. From therapy to child-centric safety planning, education, and activities, Peace House looks to 2024 as the year we develop programming that better supports the youngest souls living on our campus and in our community. The new program will provide a safe, trauma-informed space for children who have witnessed or experienced interpersonal violence to heal, express their feelings, develop conflict resolution skills, and play, with the intent of stabilizing and reinstituting a sense of normalcy in their daily lives. We warmly invite you to visit the campus and tour the newly renovated children's space to learn more about the new program.

We can't end violence and abuse in our community without you. We are deeply appreciative of the gift of your time, talent, and financial resources. We hope you continue to support survivors and share the Peace House mission. Together we are creating a safer community and a more peaceful future.

With gratitude,

Kendra Wyckoff

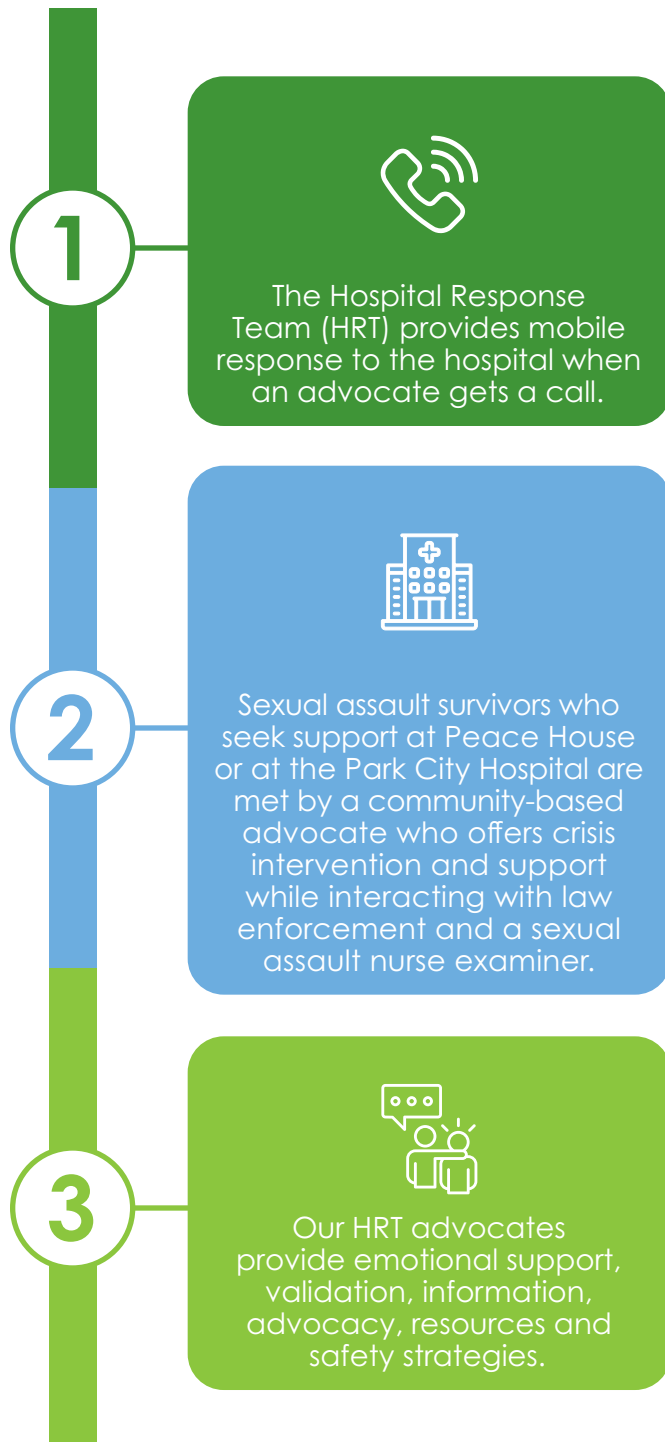
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SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES

Peace House has long been known for our resources for survivors of domestic violence. Recently, we expanded our mission to include sexual assault services too.

We can help whether the abuse is recent or historic and encourage individuals to reach out if they have any questions at all.



This program aims to support survivors of sexual violence both within and outside the context of domestic violence.



Sexual assault can happen to anyone. Survivors may be youth or adults, both male and female, and of varying backgrounds.



Peace House advocates specialize in supporting survivors with a focus on restoring choice, dignity, and respect as they navigate the aftermath of trauma.



Our goal is to ensure that survivors have the ability to make informed decisions and to streamline service provisions within our community.

SUPPORT & ADVOCACY

by the Numbers

PREVENTION EDUCATION

Peace House dispatches skilled prevention educators to businesses, organizations, events, and classrooms across Summit and Wasatch counties. Educators equip students with age-appropriate resources on fostering healthy relationships and combating interpersonal violence.

27,199

students, teachers and community members were reached in Summit and Wasatch counties



SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

Peace House made significant strides in service delivery – such as legal advocacy: including information, referrals, court accompaniment, and protective order support. Case managers and therapists strengthened the safety and resilience of survivors by fostering their emotional wellbeing and offering crucial resources to rebuild their lives.

213

adults and children were able to access

1,550

hours of personalized case management

143

survivors received legal advocacy

658

clinical therapy hours provided to children and adults



EMERGENCY SHELTER

Peace House operates a round-the-clock emergency shelter, available 365 days a year, to provide refuge for individuals and families escaping interpersonal violence and abuse.

151

adults and children sought safety on our campus

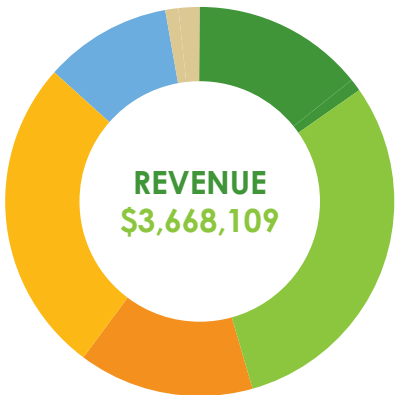
4,452

nights of safety provided



REVENUE

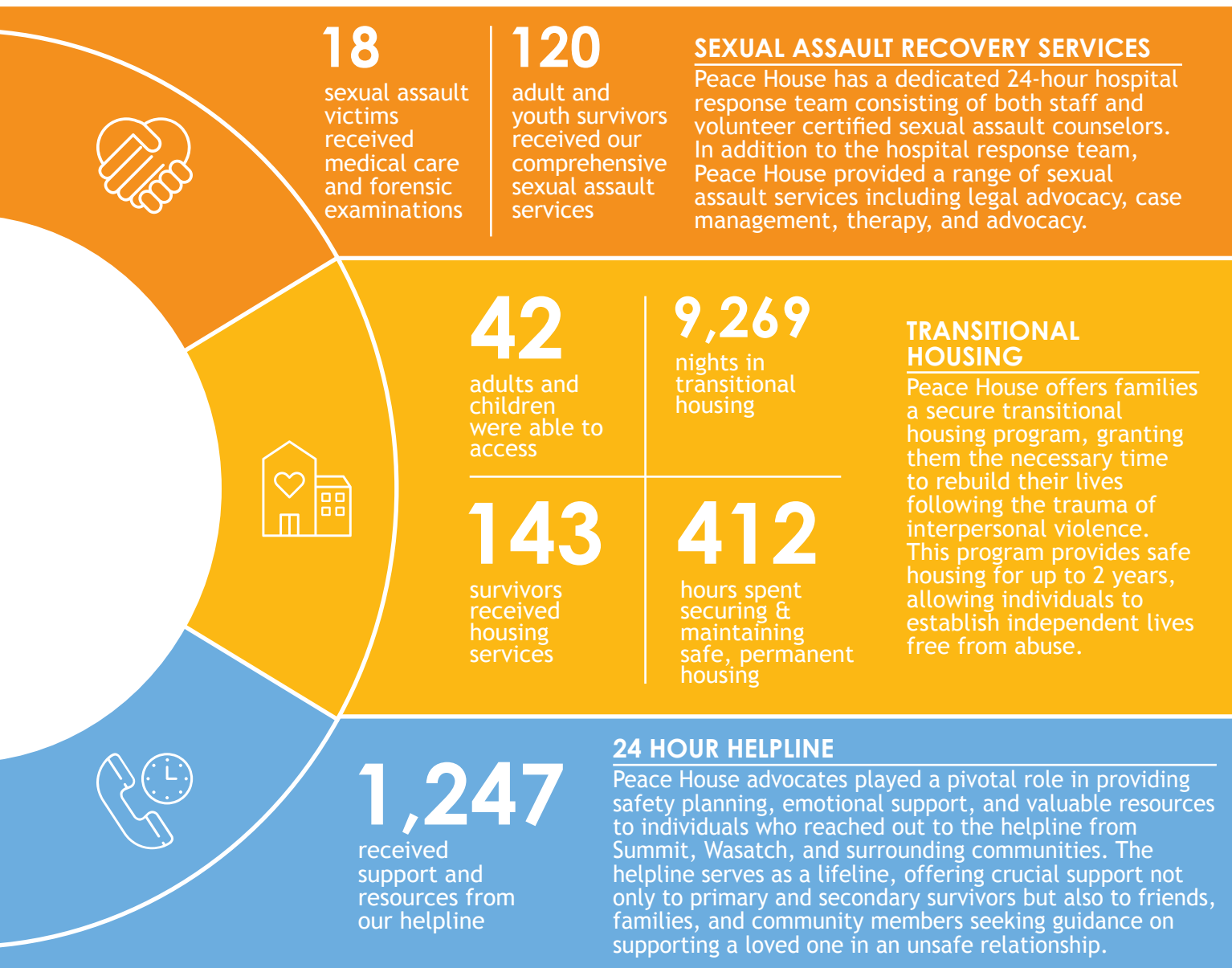
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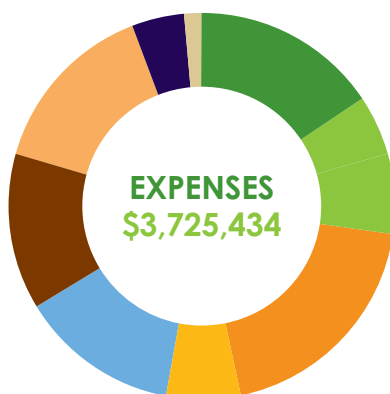
- Individuals - 14%
- Government Sources - 31%
- Corporate and Foundations - 16%
- Events - 26%
- In Kind Gifts - 11%
- Endowment - 2%

SUPPORT & ADVOCACY

by the Numbers



- Program Supportive Services - 16%
- Education, Outreach & Awareness - 13%
- Volunteer - 5%
- Shelter - 20%
- Clinical Therapy - 13%
- Transitional Housing - 13%
- Management & General - 14.5%
- Fundraising - 4.5%
- Children's Services - 1%



EXPENSES
July 2022–June 2023



THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are an integral part of our work, donating their time to empowering survivors of interpersonal violence and reinforcing the Peace House mission.

Volunteers tremendously impact the lives of survivors, staff, and each other not only by helping them to survive but also empowering them to thrive by nurturing their self-determination and courage. We believe volunteers and interns strengthen our agency as a whole and significantly expand our reach to the clients we serve.

We are extraordinarily grateful for the time and effort volunteers dedicate to making our community a safer place to live.



MOST DEDICATED
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Eileen Cocco

This year, Peace House hosted a volunteer appreciation event where staff shared the vital impact volunteers make to the Peace House mission every day. A great example of the work volunteers do is represented in the introduction HR Coordinator Melissa Caffey shared regarding our Most Dedicated Volunteer of the Year – Eileen Cocco.

“Eileen has volunteered in many roles during her years at Peace House. As a volunteer Advocate in the original shelter on Marsac Avenue, Eileen provided relief support by covering the hotline, completing paperwork with clients, monitoring security, and engaging with everyone in a trauma informed way.”

“Eileen has been a welcoming face to those who visit our campus since before the grand opening in 2019. Eileen has an ability to make everyone who calls or walks into Peace House feel cared for, welcome and safe.”



2023 Annual SPRING LUNCHEON

In 2023, we welcomed Rachel Louise Snyder, author of “No Visible Bruises” as she took part in our mission to shed light on the complexities of interpersonal violence. Within the beautiful backdrop of Promontory’s Double Deer Club, Snyder shared more about how prevalent and insidious domestic violence is within American households. These community conversations are critical in educating and dispelling myths surrounding interpersonal violence.

We want to extend our deep gratitude to an anonymous donor, The Marriott Daughters, and all sponsors for emphasizing the importance of these conversations now and for the future. We are looking forward to our next Spring Luncheon, coming up on March 21, 2024.



WAYS TO GIVE

ENDOWMENT

Make a contribution that leaves a legacy across future generations.

Endowments are an excellent way to permanently honor your family, a mentor or a loved one. Not only does an endowed gift represent the opportunity to provide long-term support to survivors, but it also ensures Peace House will be here for generations to come.

PLANNED GIVING

Shape the future for survivors by making a planned gift your way.

Donors may choose to give via their bequests, trust, life insurance, IRA distributions, charitable gift annuities, and more.

How does planned giving help you?

Successful planned giving can fulfill your charitable goals while providing significant tax-savings. Planned gifts can often help those who are charitably minded make a larger impact by tapping into non-cash assets, rather than giving from their checking accounts.

To make a contribution, please contact sally@peacehouse.org or scan the QR code below.

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I donate to Peace House because I want every child to have a place to feel safe. Our dollars assist families and help them protect their children both within and beyond the community campus.

- Polly Strasser, Board Member
Development and Fundraising
Committee Chair





THANK YOU, STAFF

From advocates to administrators and beyond, we could not provide life-saving and life-changing support to survivors without our staff. We hope you all will join us in extending a huge thank you to those who choose to dedicate their careers and hours of their lives to making a difference in our communities, homes and schools. Thank you!



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