

CORNERSTONE
REBUILDING LIVES, RESTORING HOPE

CORNERSTONE'S 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Cornerstone's continuum of service helps to create communities where individuals and families are safe and children thrive.

We advocate, educate and lead the way to social change.

PROGRAMS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

DAY ONE®

Cornerstone's statewide Day One® program is a network of over 90 Minnesota domestic violence, sexual violence, anti-trafficking, youth advocacy and general crime agencies. Day One ensures victims across the state can get connected to safety and services with just one call, text, email or online chat. The program's call center hosts the Minnesota Day One Crisis Line and the Minnesota Crime Victim Support Line with 24/7 telephonic interpreter services, operating a secure online database that provides real-time information regarding available bed space and services among network members. Day One is the recognized first point of contact for Minnesota's No Wrong Door/Safe Harbors Law, ensuring sexually exploited youth have access to support, safety and shelter. Day One also partners with ThinkSelf to better equip domestic violence and sexual violence organizations across the state to serve Deaf and hard of hearing survivors. Day One's Minnesota Alliance for Family & Animal Safety (MNAFAS) program provides safe temporary foster care for the pets of families and individuals experiencing violence. *Last year, the Day One Call Center responded to 33,033 calls, texts and chat messages from people seeking safety, resources and support.*



EMERGENCY SERVICES

Anyone in imminent danger of domestic/sexual violence and human trafficking can access Cornerstone's Emergency Services Program. It includes a 35-bed Emergency Shelter, 24 hours/7 days a week hotline, crisis intervention and advocate support, a Hotel/Motel Partnership, and assistance with all basic needs. *Cornerstone provided 75 adults and children 3,679 nights of safe housing and 17,688 meals in 2022.*

"I was very satisfied and was treated with respect and compassion anytime I met with my primary advocate, texted the cell or called the crisis line." — Shelter participant



COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT SERVICES (CEES)

Through our Community and Economic Empowerment Services program, advocates are available to assist survivors with addressing economic barriers resulting from the violence to gain stable housing, build job readiness skills, address credit/debt issues, and meet safety needs. Services also include access to matched savings accounts for cars, homes or continued education and Cornerstone's evidence-based financial literacy curriculum. Transitional housing services include two years of housing and intensive support for families. Staff also work on-site at two low-income housing complexes, ensuring families have access to support and resources to maintain stable housing. A Rapid Rehousing component supports women and families in Hennepin County who are experiencing homelessness due to domestic violence transition into safe housing. *In 2022, our Community and Economic Empowerment Services Program served 271 persons through individual and group supportive services, safety planning, housing support and educational groups for victims and their families.*

"Working with (my advocate) has been amazing. How she words things is very caring and validating. She has helped me so much." — CEES participant

CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE INTERVENTION SERVICES (CCJI)

Cornerstone's Criminal and Civil Justice Intervention Services (CCJI) provides advocacy and support for participants before, during, and after any criminal or civil hearings, write and file Orders for protection, safety plan, option build, and much more. The CCJI program has a strong partnership with local law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, and the courts to improve the legal process and protect victims. *In 2022, the CCJI program provided 306 participants with civil advocacy, 2,011 with criminal justice advocacy, 2,178 with legal advocacy, and 150 with orders for protection.*



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GENERAL CRIME VICTIM SERVICES

Cornerstone's General Crime Victim Services program provides support and services to victims of crimes including individual advocacy with emotional support and helping address safety, assistance with harassment restraining orders, and increased access to emergency financial assistance funding meant to mitigate victimization. *In 2022, 890 participants received general crime victim services and 330 received financial assistance, with a total of \$585,398.56 in financial support distributed through emergency victim's assistance funds.*

"The advocate and program was a very good help and relief from the hurt and pain of everything I've been through." — General Crime Victim Services participant

PREVENTION, EDUCATION AND CLINICAL SERVICES PROGRAM (PECS)

Cornerstone's PECS program is central to Cornerstone's mission; prevention, education, therapy, groups and training are critical to both building safe communities in which children thrive and to creating change.

School-Based Services (SBS): Staff conduct classroom prevention presentations in schools and provide individual advocacy and support groups. *Last year, 8,079 students participated in 310 presentations and 210 connected with Cornerstone staff in their building because they experienced or caused abuse, harassment or bullying.*

Support Groups: Cornerstone offers a variety of in-person and virtual support groups, including specialized groups for participants of different ages. My Life, My Choice—one of the newest support groups for adolescent girls' group that follows a 10-week curriculum focusing on the prevention of commercial sexual exploitation of adolescent girls—had 8 participants in 2022. In total, 94 individuals participated in Cornerstone's 2022 Support Groups.

"I was very apprehensive about coming to a group. I didn't know how or if I could trust or get anything from this group. I was so wrong! This group is amazing. I have learned so much and have received so much support and understanding. To be able to be with people and talk to them without judgement is an amazing and empowering feeling." — Adult support group participant

Prevention of Sexual Exploitation: Cornerstone provides training, educational support groups and advocacy for sexually exploited or at-risk youth, providing a safe place to share their story, receive support and explore resources.

Clinical Services: The Clinical Services team provides specialized, affordable therapy (\$0-\$30) to adults and children (ages 6-17) who have been impacted by abuse. The focus of their work is to help process traumatic events and provide healthy coping skills to assist with the healing journey. 173 participants who were 18 years and older and 85 participants 17 and younger received clinical services. In addition, 45 participants attended a clinical support group.

"I have been able to process and release a lot of trauma. I have developed tools to safe guard my emotional and mental health." — Therapy client

Trainings and Presentations: Cornerstone shares our expertise with the community and provides educational opportunities to religious and civic groups, law enforcement and other social service organizations. We also facilitate a 40-hour online training for our staff, volunteers and community partners to become certified Sexual Assault Advocates. *In 2022, Cornerstone provided 71 community trainings to 1,815 individuals.*



2022 HIGHLIGHTS

3,679

75 adults and children received 3,679 nights of safe housing and 17,688 meals in 2022.

33,033

33,033 calls, texts, and chat messages were responded to by Cornerstone's Day One® Call Center last year.

258

258 adults and children received specialized, affordable therapy from the clinical services team.

2,178

The CCJI program provided 306 participants with civil advocacy, 2,011 with criminal justice advocacy, 2,178 with legal advocacy, and 150 with orders of protection.

4,997
total
participants
served

The CEES program served 271 participants through individual and group supportive services, safety planning, housing support, and educational groups for victims and their families.

271

890 people participated in Cornerstone's General Crime program with a total of \$585,398.56 assistance funds distributed.

585K

8,079 students participated in presentations on unhealthy/healthy relationships, bullying, anger awareness and sexual harassment in school.

8,079

Cornerstone shared our expertise with the community by providing 71 public presentations to 1,815 participants.

1,815

2022 PARTICIPANT QUOTES

"Staff and advocates are very understandable and supportive. Cornerstone has a lot of resources and opportunities that I need."

"Wow! Such an amazing program for victims of domestic violence. Just when I thought I had no one, an advocate stepped in and gave me all the support they could. I'm forever grateful."

"Honestly, it is programs like this that keep our family from moving out of the city and help us when we need help the most."

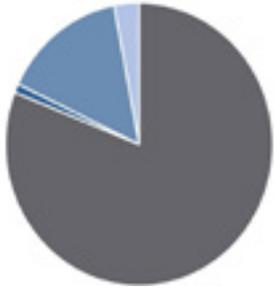
"Cornerstone and especially [my advocate] has done so much for me. I have learned how to care for myself. I have learned everything needed about safety. I have been helped when nobody else could help. The best thing was the feeling that no matter how tough things were I had support and advocacy on my side. I wasn't going through everything alone."

"I felt heard."



STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022



TOTAL REVENUE: \$4,555,896	
■ Government	81%
■ In-Kind	1%
■ Contributed	15%
■ Other	3%



TOTAL EXPENSES: \$5,659,626	
■ Administrative	15%
■ Fundraising	5%
■ Program	80%

TOTAL NET ASSETS, BEGINNING\$9,884,050
 TOTAL NET ASSETS, ENDING.....\$8,780,320

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