# 2024 ANNUAL REPORT Tri-Cour

Tuesday, January 7, 2025 Hilgermann Center for Community 25 S. Brown Street Rhinelander



Presentation by Angie Fanning, Executive Director

# A LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends & Community,

As we reflect on the past year, I'm proud to share that Tri-County Council has made remarkable strides in our mission of grow th and development. Through our efforts, we've built stronger partnerships and expanded our outreach within our communities putting special emphasis on prevention, all to better support those affected by domestic and sexual violence. It has truly been a privilege to serve as the Executive Director, leading our organization towards a vision of healing and resilience for all survivors.

As you will learn about, the foundation of Tri-County has been profoundly impacted by an astounding reduction in our overall funding. Yet, despite these significant financial challenges, our unwavering commitment to our mission remains stronger than ever as we continue on. Through the restructuring of our services, we've adopted strategic measures to recover from this setback, focusing on innovative fundraising effor ts, strengthening community par therships, and optimizing our resources to ensure that we continue to provide essential support to those affected by domestic and sexual violence.

This year, our annual report carries a symbolic theme that you will notice throughout tonight's presentation. We have chosen bodies of water as our guiding metaphor, for water is a powerful force of nature capable of shaping environments. It also serves as a poignant metaphor for the need to protect and conserve vital resources, much like our work at the Tri-County Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. Just as water can transform landscapes, the presence or absence of support and resources for survivors can profoundly impact their well-being, leading to emotional and physical costs, as well as affecting the peace within our community.

Water's characteristics resonate deeply with our mission. It can flow gently or crash with immense force, shaping whatever it encounters. This versatility symbolizes our need to be adaptable, resilient, fluid, and responsive to the ever-changing environments that we must build and the needs of all survivors in our community.



W ith Gratitude, Angie Fanning

# TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL VISION, BELIEFS, & VALUES

#### Our Mission & Vision

To provide safety, security, and comprehensive support to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault until we can realize our own non-existence in a world free from violence.

### Our Beliefs

We believe that everyone deserves to be safe and free from violence by ensuring accessibility and inclusivity in all our services provided through advocacy and education. We believe in a path of self-empowerment by helping all discover choices, build their self-confidence, and regain dignity in their lives to move forward as a survivor.

## Our Values

We value creating a safe environment for individuals in crisis and beyond by offering choices and options that support their well-being. We are dedicated to prevention efforts that raise community awareness about the dynamics of power and control, the cycle of violence, and the importance of consent in all contexts. We also value supporting and encouraging pathways that lead to healing and self-love.

#### Tri-County Council Mission Statement

The agency promotes non-violence as a life choice and provides a safe environment for persons in crisis. The agency believes the use of violence and other forms of power and control is unacceptable. It advocates and educates to stop the cycle of violence and supports those it serves to discover choices, build self-confidence, and retain dignity through services that draw on individual strengths and community resources.

# TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL HISTORY

Founded in 1978 and incorporated in 1979 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Tri-County Council has been dedicated to supporting, sheltering, and advocating for victims of domestic abuse. In 1980, we opened our first shelter home, and in 1985, we expanded our services to include support for sexual assault victims. Today, with offices in Rhinelander, Crandon, and Eagle River, and Lily's House emergency shelter in Rhinelander, we continue our mission to provide crisis services and foster safe, healthy relationships within our communities.

- 1978: A task force was formed to address the rising incidents of domestic violence, sparking grassroots efforts.
- 1979: Tri-County was incorporated as a nonprofit in Rhinelander.
- 1980: Tri-County rented its first shelter home, providing a safe haven for victims of domestic violence.
- 1985: Thanks to an anonymous donation, a shelter home was purchased. Additionally, services for sexual assault victims were introduced.
- 1987: Outreach offices were established in Crandon and Eagle River to expand our reach.
- 2003: Tri-County launched its website to spread awareness and provide resources online.
- 2007: A new outreach office was opened in Minocqua.
- 2013: Funds were successfully raised for a new shelter.
- 2014: Construction began on the remodel of the current location at the old Marshfield Clinic.
- 2015: Lily's House opened, continuing to offer





# 2024 Board of Directors

Board Member Officers

Ruth Schiek Secretary & Treasurer **Joined 2011** 

Interim President/Vice President Joined 2011 Board Member Directors Sharann Schoppe Tanya Hoy Joined 2016 Joined 2024 Kent Kohn Becky Tessmann Joined 2023 Joined 2024

> Tara Figg Joined 20 23

Jeff Smoczyk

Seven Members Served

YOU

Join in 2025

Eleven Meetings Held

# **Two New Members Joined**

Board Members Wanted: Attorney or Paralegal Human Resources Accounting Bank or Finance Office Manager Grant Writer Human Services **Business** Owner **Community Leader** Marketing Law Enforcement Housing Provider **Diversity & Inclusion** Specialist

W hat can YOU bring to the table?



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# Leaders of our Team

Angie Fanning Executive Director

# Timberly Martin Assistant Director

# Finances

Kristen Hanneman Accountant

# Client

Shelly V & Karen N Shelter Support Staff

# Our Best Team

# Katey O Outreach Victim Advocate

# Claire H Outreach Victim Advocate

# Nicole W SA Victim Advocate

# Michael G DV Victim Advocate

# **WORKING FOR TRICOUNTY COUNCIL**

# Staff Profile

For a majority of 2024, we were fortunate to offer full-time employment for eight positions across our three offices and part-time employment for nine individuals at Lily's House. Our team also included a part-time accountant. We also had the pleasure of employing a part-time office cleaner. However, with budget changes in October 2024, our team composition underwent significant adjustments. We now have six full-time positions in one office and only two part-time shelter support staff members along with our part-time accountant.

# Staff Perks & Benefits

Tri-County Council recognizes the significant risk of staff burnout due to vicarious trauma and demanding caseloads. As an organization, we place the utmost importance on valuing and appreciating our dedicated staff, and we take immense pride in our impressive retention rates. Although we strive to offer wages that truly reflect the value of our team, our non-profit status imposes financial constraints. Nevertheless, we are relentless in finding ways to fairly compensate our staff without compromising our financial stability. We continuously innovate and expand our employee benefits to further reward and recognize the dedication and hard work of our staff.

# Here are some of the exceptional benefits that our **ftill**ne staff enjoyed and rightfully deserved in 2024:

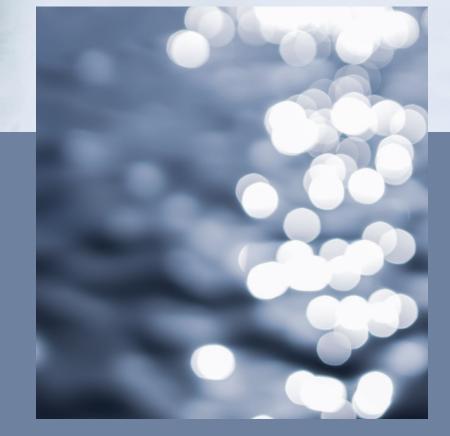
Generous PTO plan of up to 240 hours per year	Annual COL wage increase	Mon dental, vis
Wage longevity bonus commencing at 5 years	Paid birthday off	
Back-up call PTO bonus	Ten paid holidays	\$10,000 life
Work-from -home benefit	Annual Staff retreat days	Yearly self -
A 36-hour work week with a 40 -hour salary	Health insurance with an 80% agency -paid premium *	

nthly allowance towards ision, and supplemental insurance offerings \*

e insurance for each FT staff member

care stipend of \$250 for all staff \*





# THE IMPACT WORKING WITH A TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL ADVOCATE

Presented by Katey, Victim Advocate

\*Due to safety and confidentiality of any clients, names and areas have been changed

# 2024 SERVICE & CLIENT PROFILE

281

146

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# **Services Provided**

Clients	432
Hotline Calls	450
Individuals Seeking Services	714
Outreach Presentations	27

# Victim Types

DV Victims	212
SAVictims	26
Dual (DV & SA)	121
Stalking	0
Human Trafficking	2
Child Victim Sexual Abuse	2
Uncategorized/Other	69

# Gender

Women Served	
Men Served	
Other	

# **Client Age**

0-12	18
13-17	3
18-24	30
29-59	359
60 +	22

# **Direct Service**

# Categories

Information & Referrals	139	631
Personal Advocacy	293	3094
Emotional Support & Safety	697	2484
Justice System Assistance	110	507
Housing Services	74	112
SANE Accompaniment	9	9

6837 TOTAL 1322

**Total Financial Assistance** 

\$60,012

# **Shelter Services**

20 3 18

Women

Children

Shelter Nights

Clients Services

Men

Total Beds Used 41 1960

# Service Changes for 2025

<u>Shelter</u> Limited capacity Prioritizing victims Limited lengths of stays Limited availability to staff

**Community Clients** Larger case load, less time SANE response suspended Legal advocacy eliminated Two offices closed



# The Cost of Violence & Abuse for 2024

Number of paid staff providing victim services

17

Domestic & Family Violence \$192108

Adult Sexual

Assault\$75,173

\$10,739

Child abuse, neglect, sexual abuse

Hours dedicated to direct services 12,90 8hrs

Number of direct service hours per staff member

Underserved **\$46,058** 

Assault, elder abuse, robber y, other violent crimes

759hrs

# Total cost per victim \$750.18

Cost charged to victims

\$0

Total cost to Tri-County \$324,078

#### Tri-County Council Funders & Supporters DCF SAVS Local Support Wisconsin Department of Sexual Assault Victims Services

- Children & Families
- Funding support for all DV victims in shelter and community
- Grant year January 1-December 31
- DV Stabilization ShelterCare \$111,581
- Statewide DV Services \$150,000

# VOCA

- Victims of Crime Act
- Funding support for all DV & SA victims in shelter and community
- Grant year October 1-September 30
- 77% cut to funding from 2024 and previous 4 years
- VOCA is a federal program distributed to the WI Dept of Justice and Office for Victims of Crime
- \$110,409

- Funding support for all SA victims in shelter and community
- Grant year January 1-December 31
- SAVS is state program through the WI Dept of Justice and
- Office for Victims of Crime
- \$33,855

# **WLACT 241**

SA Victim Services • WI Act 241 Bill passed and signed by the Governor to make up for anticipated VOCA cut crisis in Wisconsin

- Funding support for SA victims Funds for one outreach advocate and operating
- expenses
- Grant period March 27, 2024-
- June 30, 2025
- \$41.941

Nor thw oods United Way \$6,000 for staff and victim expenses

# **FEMA**

\$5,000 for shelter support/food

Oneida County \$15,000 for shelter support

**Rhinelander Community Foundation** \$3,360 for upgraded camera system

# Tri-County Council Funders & Supporters

# **Community Donations & Event Hosts**

#### **Business Monetary Donations:**

#### 2024 Painting Silence Purple Supporters:

Ascension Lutheran Church Minocqua Charter Next Generation Rhinelander Christy Schneider through First Weber Foundation Rhinelander GFWC Rhinelander Women's Club Jim & Jean Miazga through Rhinelander Community Foundation Nicolet National Bank Rhinelander Northwoods Association of Realtors Presbyterian Women in the Lakewood Church Rhinelander Lions Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church in Sayner St. Augustine Episcopal Church Rhinelander St Mark Lutheran Church Rhinelander St. Germain Lions St. Germain Women's Service Club Superior Diesel Rhinelander

Covantage Credit Union Rhinelander Great National Bank Eagle River Hodag Soccer Club Koinonia Rhinelander Kenny's Auto Elite Eagle River y L&M Fleet Supply Musson Brothers Rhinelander Northern Grounds Coffeehouse Rhinelander Parson's of Eagle River People State Bank Rhinelander Rhinelander Starbucks Trackside Eagle River Walmart Rhinelander

### **Individual Donors**

Ann D.	George D.	Linda L.
Barbara S.	Heather C.	Lori H.
Becky T.	Jane W	Lynette A.
Beverly B.	Jeff S.	Lynne W.
Beverly G.	Joan M.	Mary D.
Brenda M.	John m.	Mary G.
Cash C.	Judy & Bob T.	Mary G.
Craig E.	Juliann G.	Mary M.
Craig Z.	Karen & Jim C.	Mary P.
Deborah S.	Karen M.	Michael & Sue R
Debra O.	Karen W.	Mildred P.
Edward S.	Kathleen M.	Pat J.
Edward T.	Kathleen N.	Patricia T.
Elias A.	Kathryn H.	Pauline D.
Gary E.	Konstance H.	Raymond B.
Ginger C.	Linda J.	Richard F.

#### Event Hosts/In -Kind:

Big Daddy's Rhinelander (Sales Donation) Culver's Rhinelander (Share Night Event) DC Everest Fastpitch, Premier Girls Fastpitch, and WI Outlawz Fastpitch (Donation Collection) Ecumenical Music Fest (Donation Event) First Congregational United Church of Christ Eagle River (Donation Collection) Hodag Park Concert Series (Beer Sales Event) Nativity Catholic School (Donation Collection) Northern Grounds Rhinelander (April Lotus) Oneida County Probation & Parole (Collection) Printpack Rhinelander (Golf Tournament) Sammy Jrs Rhinelander (Collection Drive) Tom's Drawing Board (Paint Night Event) Trident Rhinelander (Office Supplies) Women in Manufacturing (Donation Collection)

Richard J. Robert B. Ruth S. Sandra K. Sharann S. Sharon J Sprang S. Sue H Sue P. Susan K. Tamara E. Tanya H. Tara F. Timothy O. William W. William K.

# 2024 BUDGET & FUNDING FOR TROUNTY COUNCIL

Monetary Donations Received \$64,531

In -Kind Donations Received \$33,135

Federal Grants Used \$421,515

Wages & Salaries \$496,420 Fringe Benefits \$96,019 Insurance \$20,100 Training & Travel \$11,000 Rent \$40,000 Telephone \$14,107 Utilities \$15,012 Supplies \$16,491 Advertising \$1,200 Repairs & Maintenance \$9,500 Equipment \$8,000 Memberships \$1,800 Technology & Software \$5,706 Client Needs \$69,549 Professional Fees \$9,500

**State Grants** 

Used

\$295,436

Local Grants

Used

\$26,000

Total Program Expenses \$814,404 \*Total funding and allocations are estimated as we are still closing out our fiscal year

# Total 2024 Funding \$840,617

# 2025 BUDGET & FUNDING FOR TROUNTY COUNCIL

Federal Grants \$152,350

(\$269,165)

State Grants \$295,436

Local Grants \$26,000 Monetary Donations \$41,190+

In -Kind Donations \$40,000+

Wages & Salaries \$283,942 Fringe Benefits \$42,785 Travel \$17,281 Operation & Supplies \$92,778 Professional Fees \$11,000 Other Expenditures \$61,559 Total Match \$61,191

Total Anticipated Expenses \$554,976 \*Expenditures are estimated as we are still closing out our fiscal year

# Total 2025 Funding \$554,976

(\$285,641)

# Significant Budget Losses

8 Staff Members All Staff Training All Client Financial Assistance Health Insurance Benefit Self-Care Benefit Decreased Mileage Decreased Training Decreased Utilities Decreased Supplies

# CURRENT FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGNS

# URGENT NEED FOR COMMUNITY SUPPORT



Created on October 13, 2024 Ongoing Campaign 8 Donors \$2,000 raised to date Zeffy.com

# KEEPING LILY'S HOUSE WARM FOR THE WINTER



Created on December 11, 2024 Ongoing Campaign 0 Donors \$0 raised to date Zeffy.com

# WISHLIST ITEMS

Paper products Cab cards Garbage bags Cleaning supplies Laundry Pods Dryer Sheets Single size snack foods iPhone & Android chargers NEW Hygiene products NEW Sweatpants/Leggings **NEW Socks NEW Undergarments** Fidget Toys Straight Talk phones Straight Talk Service Cards Items for Comfort Bags **NEW Twin Size Bedding** NEW or Gently Used Living Room Furniture for Lily's House

# OUR AMAZON WISHLIST



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT









Hosted by Susan M. Perry Author of *Beneath the Tarp* 

Olson Library in Eagle River January 8th, 2024 Starting at 4:30pm

For more info, please call 715-479-2912





NEIGHBORS Supporting Neighbors

WEDNESDAY • DECEMBER 11 • 4-8PM

There's no limit to how much heart you can put into the community – and we're always looking for opportunities for neighbors to help neighbors. Join us and consider giving what you can to our local cause today.

Valid only at Culver's of Rhinelander

Painting Silence

Color Run/Walk September 28, 2024 Bain Date: September 29, 2024

Sign In 8:15-8:45 Event at 9:00 AM All ages and fitness levels welcome to run or walk RECISTRATION REQUIRED

The first 100 to register on the Ever



# Volunteering for Tri-County Council

# Victim Support

SANE Exams Law Enforcement Interviews

#### Emotional support to victims

Sharing relevant resource information with the victim Sharing accurate information regarding other victim services and reporting requirements/obligations by the victim to law enforcement

Communicating with TCC before leaving and upon return

Accurately documenting your volunteer time and submitting to TCC

Conducting follow -ups with TCC staff post -crisis, either by phone or in person.

Providing emergency transportation to or from the hospital

# Shelter Support

In-person support to victims and survivors in the shelter and answering hotline/office calls. All overnight shifts (Sun -Sat), weekend (Fri, Sat, Sun) evening shifts

holidays overnight shifts.

#### **On Call Client Transportation**

# **Hotline Support**

Volunteer from the comfort of your home:

Responding to crisis calls from individuals situations.

Assisting callers processing the on the hotline.

Providing relevant community resource information, such as other shelter options if there is no availability.

Answering questions about the justice system. Addressing other urgent needs that victims

may have such as safety planning. Inquiries related to response for SANE exams or law enforcement interviews.

# **Office/Staff Support**

**On Call Maintenance Office Support** Shelter and Office Cleaning **Grant Writing Assistance** 

#### Membership & Board Service

Join our community of supporters and become a member today for only \$10. Your membership and service directly supports our mission.

Membership is open for those who are able to volunteer their time and offer their amazing skills and talents to help Tri -County Council with specific needs.

Membership Opportunities: **GOVERNANCE BOARD MEMBER** FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEMBER ATTEND MONTHLY MEETINGS WITH VOTING PRIVILEGES TO SHAPE OUR FUTURE

FUTURE INVOLVEMENT: FOCUS GROUP TO **INCLUDE STAKEHOLDERS, DONORS, & PARTNERS** 

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