



ANNUAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2017-18



AGENCY UPDATES

Updated Agency Name

In October 2018, the agency's name changed from Women's Aid Service to R.I.S.E. Advocacy. This updated name offers more inclusion and better encompasses the agency's services. The acronym R.I.S.E. stands for Recovery, Independence, Safety and Empowerment. With the name change, the agency has also been rebranding and launched a new website.

Visit www.riseadvocacy.org for more information on agency services, events and ways to get involved.

New Outreach Locations

R.I.S.E. moved to two new outreach offices in Fall 2018, located in Isabella and Alma Counties. These sites also host trainings and meetings, which has allowed us to grow our staff and volunteer base. These new spaces provide an opportunity to expand outreach services, ultimately providing higher quality care to the survivors we serve.

New Agency Director

In June 2018, Jennifer Page joined our agency's team as the Executive Director. Jennifer has been in the nonprofit field for 11 years. Jen initially ran before and after school programs and an at-risk teen program, followed by positions in family services, development, membership, marketing and communications, disability advocacy, and business relations.

She now serves as the Executive Director of R.I.S.E. Advocacy, is Chair of the Board of Directors for Camp Fish Tales in Pinconning, and is a member of the Mount Pleasant Rotary Club.

"I'VE LEARNED TO LOVE MYSELF AGAIN."

- R.I.S.E. CLIENT



R.I.S.E. Services

24-7 Crisis Line

Our confidential line is available to survivors for support, referrals and to discuss their options with trained responders.

Legal Advocacy

Court support and assistance with legal matters related to domestic violence and sexual assault.

Outreach Advocacy

Offered to former residents or survivors who are not in need of immediate shelter but are interested in case management assistance.

Residential Services

Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence are provided safety and access to all agency services during their stay.

Counseling

Specialists in sexual assault, domestic violence and child counseling are available to primary and secondary survivors.

Sexual Assault Response

Trained advocates are available to provide support throughout the process of a sexual assault medical exam.

AGENCY STATS: FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

2,244

nights of care for
women and children

1,667

**Domestic Violence
Counseling** sessions

216

**Sexual Assault
Advocacy** services

472

**Children's Counseling
sessions**

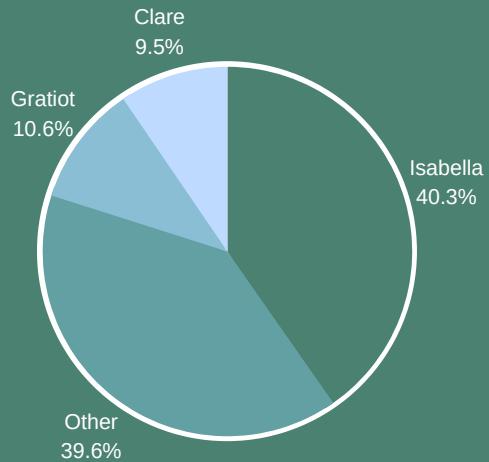
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**Legal Advocacy
services**

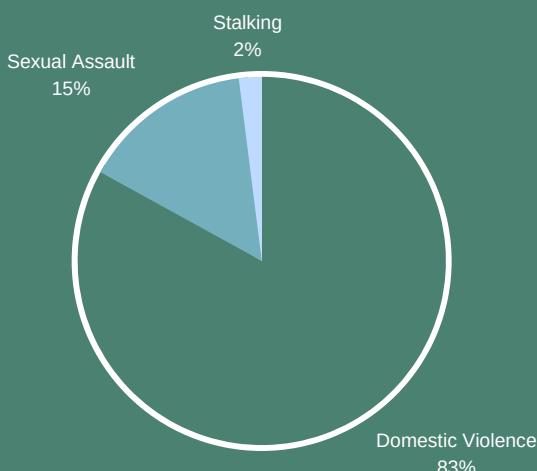
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**Sexual Assault
Counseling** sessions

NIGHTS OF CARE BY COUNTY



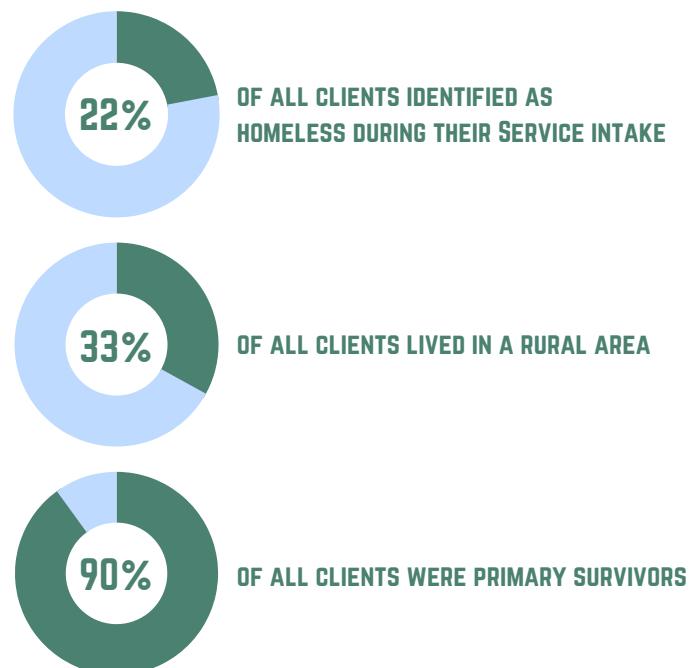
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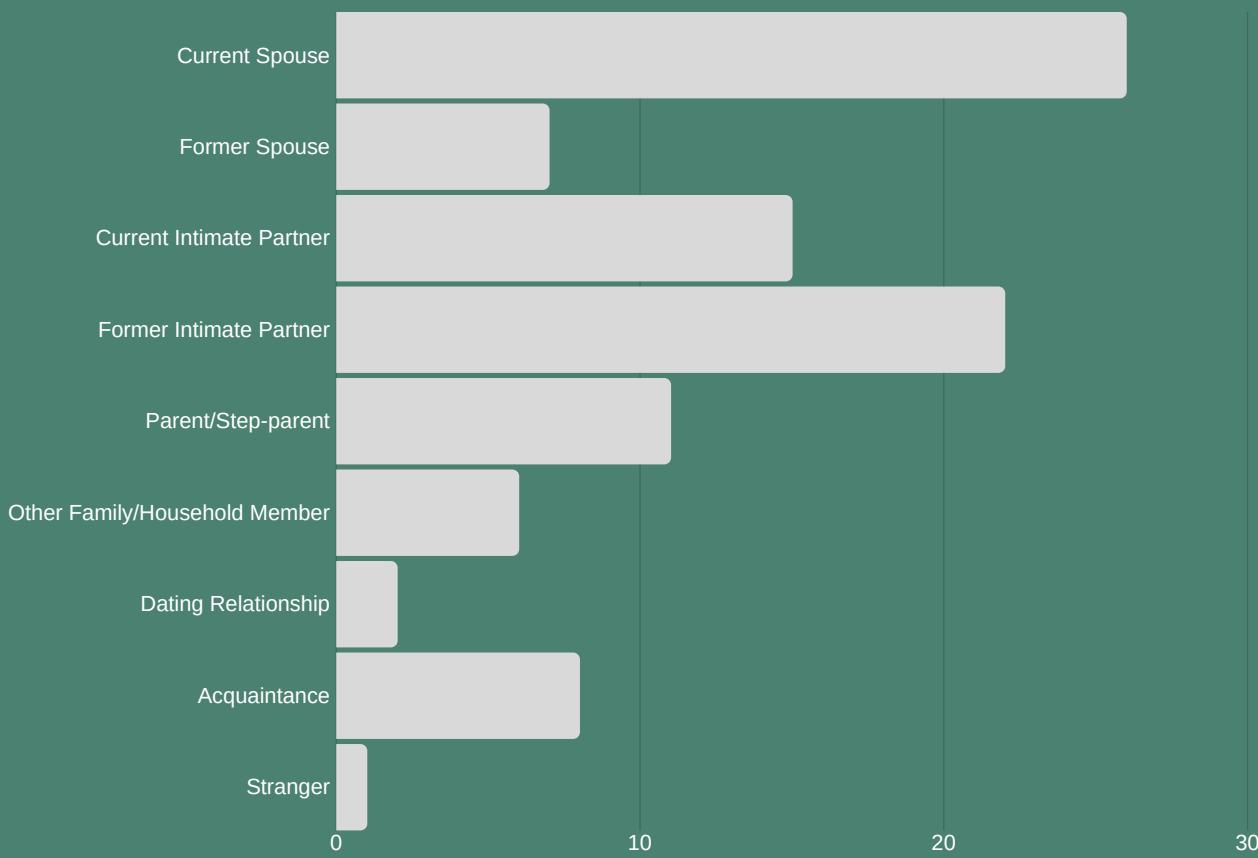
FY 17-18 STATS CONTINUED

R.I.S.E. CLIENT STATISTICS

In Fiscal Year 2017-18, R.I.S.E. served 280 clients across Isabella, Clare and Gratiot Counties.



PRIMARY PERPETRATORS OF R.I.S.E. CLIENTS



PROGRAM STATISTICS FOR FY 2017-18

Shelter Program

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Women | 52 |
| Children | 28 |
| TOTAL W/C | 80 |
| Nights | |
| Women | 1647 |
| Children | 597 |
| TOTAL NIGHTS | 2244 |
| Units Counseling | 566.7 |
| Advocacy | 908 |
| Hours Child Care | 0 |
| Crisis Calls *incl. info & referrals | 930 |

Community Groups-new

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|---------------------------|------|
| Hours | 31 |
| No. of individuals (new) | 1896 |
| Number of visits (total) | 27 |
| Health fairs/Info. tables | 27 |

Outreach-DV

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Total clients | 83 |
| Units Counseling | 1667 |
| Units Group | 256 |
| Advocacy | 62 |
| Child Care Hours | 4 |

Sexual Assault

Children's Counselor

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Total clients | 39 |
| Units Counseling | 1800.6 |
| Units Group | 343 |
| Units Family Counseling | 0 |
| Crisis Calls | 79 |
| Instances of Advocacy | 216 |

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|-------------------------|-----------|
| Total clients | 29 |
| Units Counseling | 472 |
| Units Group | 0 |
| Instances of Advocacy | 12 |
| Instances of Activities | 386 |

Legal Advocacy

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|-----------------------------|------------|
| Total clients | 111 |
| Units Face-to-Face Services | 1767.8 |
| Crisis Calls | 259 |
| Instances of Advocacy | 881 |
| | 2648.8 |

FINANCIAL REPORT

Revenues and Support

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Grants | \$ 429,453 | \$ 424,714 |
| United Ways | 15,613 | 3,480 |
| Contributions and Fundraising | 275,477 | 162,224 |
| Men/Women Overcoming Violent Experiences Fees | 3,638 | 15,067 |
| Other Revenues (including unrealized gain on investment) | 20,658 | 6,880 |
| Donated Services & Supplies | 46,281 | 49,536 |
| TOTAL REVENUES | \$ 791,120 | \$ 661,901 |

Expenses

Program Services

| | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Emergency Shelters/Children/Youth Programs | \$ 287,755 | \$ 268,536 |
| Legal Advocacy | 70,239 | 71,569 |
| Men/Women Overcoming Violent Experiences Fees | 2,924 | 23,422 |
| Domestic Violence Outreach | 65,685 | 61,518 |
| Prevention Education | 36,013 | 37,506 |
| Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis/Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner | 54,113 | 46,989 |
| TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICE | \$ 516,729 | \$ 509,540 |

Supportive Services

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Administration/Fundraising | \$ 145,858 | \$ 149,934 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 662,587 | 659,474 |
| CHANGE IN ASSETS | 128,533 | 2,427 |

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thank you to our dedicated board members

Sally Hiner - Chair

Joined November 2007

Patricia Alton

Joined November 2016

Chuck Bowden - Vice Chair

Joined May 2010

Maria Gross

Joined May 2016

Kelley Eltzroth - Secretary

Joined May 2016

Barbara Dixon

Joined January 2018

Jennifer Vibber - Treasurer

Joined January 2016

Kevin Keating

Joined October 2018

Laura Gonzales

Joined October 2012

"WE RISE BY LIFTING OTHERS."

- ROBERT INGERSOLL



GET INVOLVED

Volunteer

There are a number of ways you can get involved – from one-time assistance to help on an ongoing basis. Call (989) 773-0078 or visit our website for more information on opportunities.

Donate

Both monetary and in-kind donations help change the lives of our clients. Donations can be mailed to *P.O. Box 743, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48804* or made via our website.

Speak Out

Speak up against domestic and violence and sexual assault in the community. Educating yourself and advocating for survivors is an essential part of making social change.