

Rowan House Society Annual Report April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023

24-Hour Support Line:





Reasons for Call:

- Admission Request
- Crisis Support
- Information Request
- Other

Turn-aways: 595 individuals

A call is documented as a turn-away when the caller requests admission to a domestic violence and abuse shelter, but the shelter is unable to grant that request.

Did you know?

Rowan House offers

interpretation to promote

diversity and inclusion.

The Five Turn-Away Categories:

• Does not meet the priority level established by the program

52%

- Admission compromises the safety of women currently in the program
- The program is not able to accommodate the caller's needs
- Unable to accommodate due to capacity
- Other: the caller is turned away for a reason that falls outside the above definitions

Emergency Shelter Program:



• This year our Shelter clientele was comprised of more singles (60%) than families (40%).

• The most common types of abuse experienced amongst Shelter clients was Emotional/Psychological, Physical and then Financial abuse.

• Of those who filled out the Danger Assessment questionnaire, 63% of Shelter clients rated Extreme and 12 % rated Severe.

• Main services provided to Shelter clients included basic needs, information, one-on-one sessions, programming for adults, and safety planning.

Children's Program:

(includes children of Shelter and Outreach clients as well as Healthy Relationship Group participants) 156 total children served

Average Age: 6 years old

111% increase over 2021-2022

Youngest: 2 days old Oldest: 17 years old



2,886.95 hours spent in direct programming with kids playing and creating Safety Plans, Calm Boxes and other coping skills.



52 weekly parenting support groups were facilitated



Outreach Program:



98 total clients served one-on-one in their community



74 of those clients were new this year



136 days is the average length of time a client spends in the Outreach Program

• This year our Outreach clientele was comprised of more families (59%) than singles (41%).

• The most common types of abuse experienced amongst Outreach clients was Emotional/Psychological, Financial and then Physical abuse.

• Of those who filled out the Danger Assessment questionnaire, 37% of Outreach clients rated Extreme and 13% rated Severe.

• Main services provided to Outreach clients included information, referrals, one-on-one sessions, programming for adults, and safety planning.

• The top goal stated by Outreach clients was legal issues. Thanks to a grant from Alberta Law Foundation, we were able to hire a new, dedicated **Court Support** worker this year who helped 29 clients navigate the legal system and their choices between January 1, 2023 - March 31, 2023.

Preventative Education Program:

School Presentations:



Healthy Relationship Groups:



32 women attended our fully re-opened groups in High River & Okotoks

Journeys to Hope & Healing Podcast:



638 downloads (fiscal year) **2,060** downloads (all time)

• The Journeys to Hope & Healing Podcast was recognized as a domesticshelters.org Purple Ribbon Award Honoree in the category of Outstanding Domestic Violence Podcast.

Other Highlights:

• Our Safe at Home pilot project switched to an Outreach model for the last year of its operation and saw 15 clients participate in online group education sessions and one-to-one case management with an Outreach worker.

• The Community Engagement Team organized and held a very successful Picnic with a Purpose family event and resource fair in High River to help bring the community back together after Covid and raise awareness about the agencies serving the area and what they offer.

• Volunteers donated 1,290 hours of service in various areas as we made our way out of Covid and back into more normal operations and capacity.

Please note, the data for this year reflects a year coming out of the Covid restrictions on our programming. Data for this report is collected from our intake forms and internal Outcome Tracker database and is compiled with consent from our clients. This report has been designed using resources from Flaticon.com