



Annual Report

Orange County Rape Crisis Center

Fiscal Year 2007-2008



About the Center

Mission statement:

To stop sexual violence and its impact through support, education and advocacy.

Vision statement:

We envision a just and equitable world free of sexual violence and all other forms of oppression.

The Orange County Rape Crisis Center is a non-profit, volunteer agency which has been serving this community since 1974. Our primary focus is to provide services to survivors and community education on awareness and prevention of sexual violence. All services are free and confidential.

Client Services Program

Through a 24-hour crisis line, support groups, short-term therapy program and Latin@ service program, the Rape Crisis Center works to meet the needs of survivors in our diverse community through support, advocacy, information and referral.

The Rape Crisis Center serves primary survivors (those who have directly experienced sexual violence), secondary survivors (friends, family or loved ones in primary survivors' lives), professionals who work with survivors of sexual violence, and provides other service referrals.

Program highlights and graphs which demonstrate the scope of the client services programs and the clients served during the 2007-2008 fiscal year are included in the annual report.

Orange County Sexual Assault Response Team

A Sexual Assault Response Team, or SART, consists of agencies which come into contact with survivors of sexual assault. A SART allows professionals from service agencies to meet together in the spirit of collaboration and communication to better serve the needs of the community.

The guiding principle behind the Orange County SART program is to join local health care, law enforcement, judiciary, and advocacy in a coordinated effort to ensure that survivors of sexual assault receive comprehensive medical attention, evidentiary examinations, emotional support and referral information.

This year, the Orange County SART member agencies completed guidelines to hold all participating crisis response agencies in Orange County accountable to providing consistent and supportive services to survivors of sexual assault. Developing these best practice guidelines has been a project of SART for a number of years.

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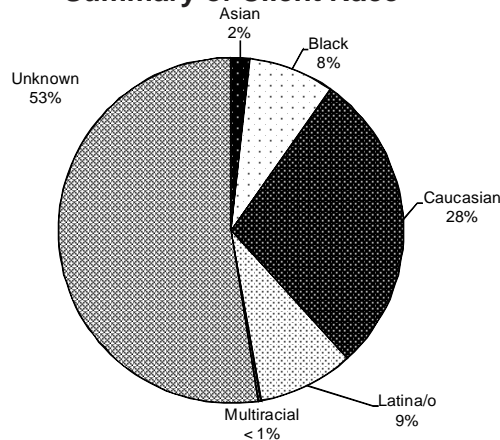
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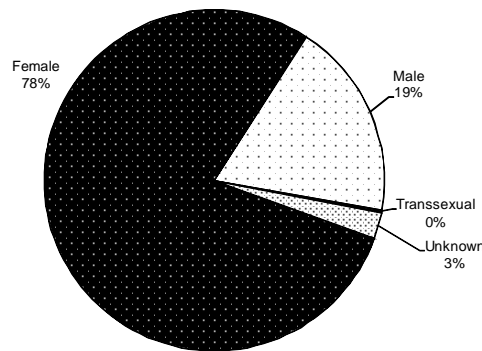
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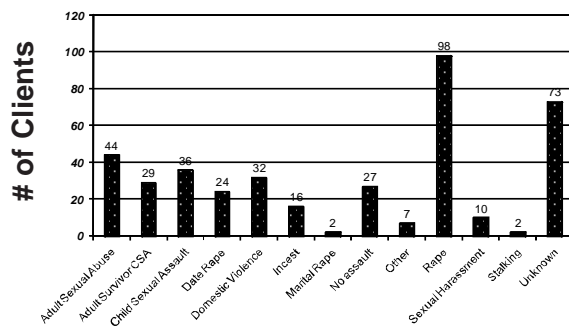
Summary of Client Race



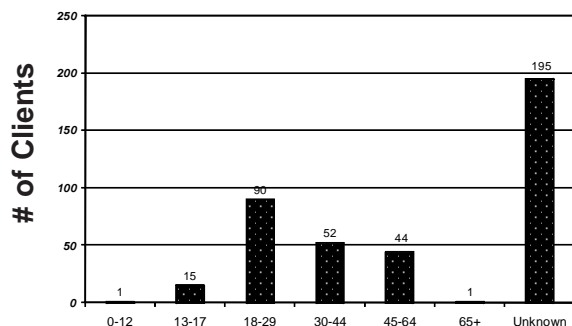
Summary of Client Gender



Type of Sexual Abuse



Summary of Client Age



Latin@ Services

June 2008 marked the completion of the first year of the Rape Crisis Center’s Latin@ Services Program, which offers bilingual and culturally competent services to Latinas, Latinos and other Spanish-speakers.

These services include our crisis response services, support groups and community education programs.

Latin@ Services program supported 42 clients during the 2007-2008 fiscal year. This is an increase from 19 during the 2006-07 fiscal year.

In January 2008, a Spanish pager was implemented within the agency’s crisis response services to ensure that Spanish-speaking clients can receive services 24 hours a day.

The number of Spanish-speaking Advocate volunteers who take the Spanish-pager tripled from the previous year helping support this agency’s increase in Spanish-speaking client.

Other program highlights include:

- Launched a Spanish-language version of the agency website.
- Informational brochures for adults and children.
- Increase in outreach to Spanish-speaking community through community events, educational materials and programs and media interviews with Spanish-language publications and radio programs.

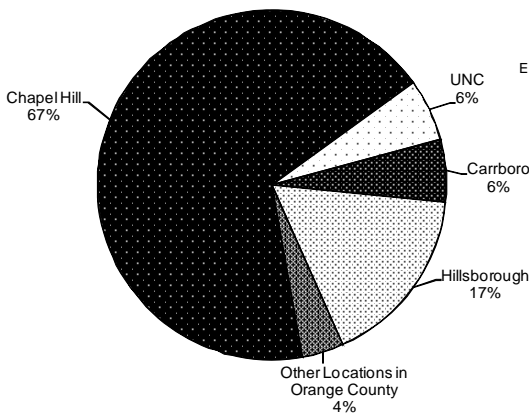
Note: We use the “@” symbol to avoid using masculine terms in a generic form when referring to our clients. Instead of saying “Latinos” to mean Latinos and Latinas, we use Latin@s.



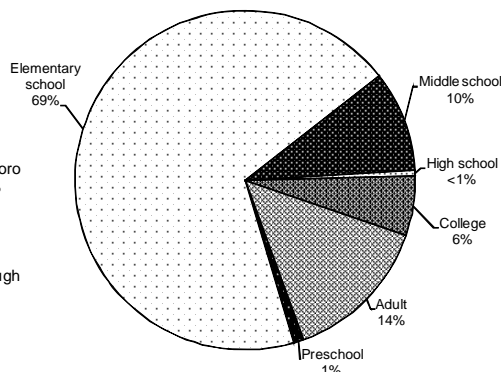
Community Education

The Orange County Rape Crisis Center offers age appropriate and culturally competent educational programs and outreach about the incidence, awareness, and prevention of sexual violence to children and adults throughout Orange County. The Center provides informational materials, such as brochures, business cards with crisis response numbers and coloring books to any group or individual in need of more information about sexual violence and Rape Crisis Center services.

Location of Programs



Age of Audience



Support Groups

During the 2007-2008 fiscal year, 17 individuals participated in our support group programs.

The following groups were held:

- 2 groups for adult survivors of Child Sexual Abuse/Incest
- 1 group for male survivors
- 1 group for adolescents: *Young Women's Empowerment*

After a five-year break, an adolescent support group was successfully re-introduced at a local high school with the hope of being held during the upcoming 2009-2010 school year. The Horticultural Therapy support group program is now in its third year and very popular amongst our clients. We were also able to offer a group for male survivors this year.

Therapy Program

June 2008 marked the end of the second year of the Rape Crisis Center's in-house therapy program, which offers short-term individual therapy for survivors, their family and friends.

Short-term therapy was provided by the Center's Associate Director Michelle Johnson, LCSW and two social work interns pursuing Masters Degrees in Social Work at local universities.

From June 2007 - July 2008, 43 clients were served through this program.

This program has been supported through a Governor's Crime Commission grant.

Types of Groups

The Rape Crisis Center offers a variety of support groups each year including groups for survivors of adult sexual assault and rape, survivors of incest and child sexual assault, male survivors of sexual assault and secondary survivors such as partners and family members.



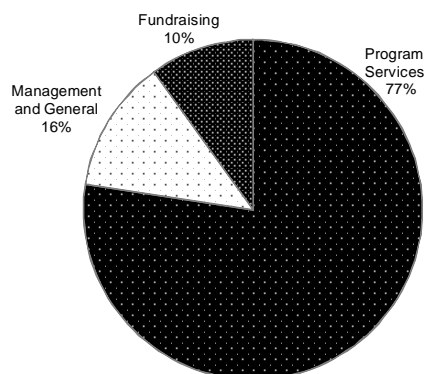
Financial Report

The following graphs are representations of our financial income sources and expenses for the fiscal year of 2007-2008.

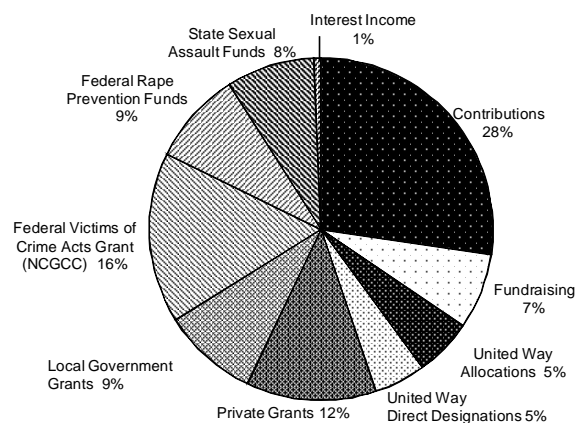
Total Income: \$605,086

Total Expenses: \$550,775

2007-2008 Expenses



2007-2008 Income



First row, left to right: Shamecca Bryant, Christine Hudelson, Carolina Alzuru and Sage Keene. Second row, left to right: Christina Riordan, Krista Park Berry, Jessica Clark and Alexis Kralic. Staff not pictured: Becca Edwards, Stacey Rader, May Mitchell, Bree Petcher and Tricia McGovern.

Staff and Volunteers

- Full-time employees: 8
- Part-time employees: 7
- Board of Directors volunteers: 22
- Advisory Council volunteers: 15

The issue of sexual violence is challenging, complex and important. Because of this, training for volunteer positions at the Rape Crisis Center is intensive and comprehensive. Our volunteers often tell us that the training is valuable to them both personally and professionally.

During the 2007-08 fiscal year, three trainings were held for companion and Spanish-speaking advocate volunteers, two trainings for community educator volunteers, and one training for support group facilitator volunteers. Board of Directors and office volunteers participate in on-site training.



Orange County Rape Crisis Center

24-hour Crisis Line: 1-866 WE LISTEN (1-866-935-4783)

or 919-967-7273 TTY: 919-338-0746 Se habla español.

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