



TURNING POINT ANNUAL REPORT

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THE MORE ONE CAN DO

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About Turning Point

MISSION

Turning Point has the social responsibility to respond to the needs of domestic violence victims by providing shelter, counseling, advocacy and general support services and to identify and confront the causes of domestic violence.

OUR SERVICES

All of Turning Point's services are free of charge and confidential. Services are available to any victim regardless of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, marital status, amnesty or status as a covered veteran in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws, including victims of federal crimes. Turning Point is committed to being a Safe Zone, part of the visible network of LGBTQI allies. LEP/Deaf/Hard of Hearing Services are available.

PROGRAMS

24 Hour Crisis Line | Shelter | Food, Clothing, and Transportation | Individual and Group Education and Support | Information and Referral | Victims' Rights Advocacy | Children's Programs | Community Education | Teen Advocacy | Ohio Reformatory for Women Outreach | Volunteer Program

FUNDING

Turning Point is funded by Delaware/Morrow Mental Health and Recovery Services Board; United Way of Delaware, Morrow, Union, and North Central Ohio; Crawford County Job and Family Services; State of Ohio Office of the Attorney General; County Commissioners in Crawford, Delaware, Marion, Morrow, Union, and Wyandot Counties; Office of Criminal Justice Services; Ohio Department of Rehabilitation & Corrections; and donations from individuals, corporations, foundations and organizations.



LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Whether you like pumpkin scented candles, football, changes in the color of the leaves, or just warm cozy blankets, there is something in the Fall for everyone. The beauty of the Fall for the team of Turning Point is that October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and with that we celebrate and highlight all the great but challenging work done to support survivors of domestic violence, not only in our local community but nationwide.

As a reminder, statistically, 1 in 4 women and 1 in 9 men experience severe physical violence within their lifetime. In addition to this, more than 20,000 calls are taken through domestic violence crisis lines nationally each year as reported by the Ohio Domestic Violence Network. The team at Turning Point is working daily to ensure clients have access to safety and adequate support services and will continue to create and deploy programs that support the long-term success of sexual assault and domestic violence survivors. We also embrace the concept of working collectively to ensure that programs are centered around the needs of both the community and the clients we serve. We understand that strategic partnerships and alignment not only gives our clients greater access to services, but also increases the very limited resources available.

Over the last several years, Turning Point's staff and Board of Directors have worked diligently to expand the footprint of the organization. With that expansion, we've shifted our focus to creating greater visibility, ensuring financial stability through growth of the current donor base, and developing strategic partnerships. Unfortunately, due to factors outside our control, we have experienced two consecutive years of funding cuts from our largest federal grant (VOCA). To continue to counterbalance these cuts, expansion of our donor base remains one of our top priorities. This in an effort to remain fully functional for those we serve.

Thanks to the amazing amount of community support received over the last couple of years, Turning Point has been able to sustain current programs and services with minimal disruption. We did have to suspend the Children's Programming, however our hope is a full restoration of the program during this fiscal year. With a year full of challenges and exciting new opportunities, Turning Point has managed to survive the test of funding cuts as well as the Covid pandemic and are looking ahead into a bright future.

Going into another year of service, we pledge to the community to operate in excellence! Turning Point staff and Board of Directors ensures that we will continue to provide high quality, safe, engaging, and client focused services. We are committed to keeping Turning Point, domestic violence, and sexual assault support services top of mind and priority all of 2021-2022 and beyond. We thank you all for your continued support that provides the ability to serve many who need our help as they transition into their new safe and healthy life.

Sincerely,



Amber Scott
President/CEO



Board of Directors



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President

Assistant Prosecutor, City of Delaware



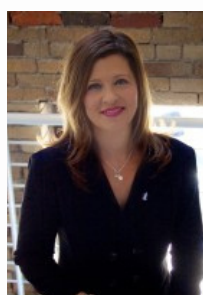
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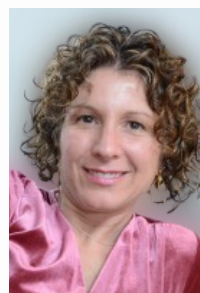
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Captured Moments



OUR PROGRAMS & SERVICES

IMPACT

Last year, Turning Point provided services to over 1100 individuals through crisis line calls, in-shelter stays and outreach advocacy. Our objective is to quickly discern what each individual needs and connect them with the appropriate resources. "No two clients are alike," says Turning Point Program Director, Paula Burnside. "Each situation is unique, our job is to provide a highly personalized level of care to everyone who comes through our doors." When someone makes the difficult decision to come to a shelter, Turning Point aims to provide them with more than just a roof over their heads and a break from their abuser. Our programming offers options, resources and a roadmap forward. Turning Point Advocates work with victims to create safety plans and develop executable goals specific to their unique situations.

"Establishing effective programming demands flexibility," says Turning Point President/CEO, Amber Scott. "Because the times we live in and the world around us is always changing, it is important to stay up to date on the most current and effective forms of care. I am proud to lead a staff that is always searching for new ways to meet the needs of the population we serve."

**VICTIMS ARE
EMPOWERED TO
DECIDE THEIR
OWN FUTURE**



RESPIRE FOR PARENTS HEALING FOR KIDS

This summer, Turning Point piloted a new program offering respite to parents in shelter. Many clients were struggling to attend job interviews, court hearings, doctors appointments and meetings with victims-rights advocates with a young child in tow. **Robin McNeal, Turning Point Teen Advocate** saw the need. In June Robin launched the Summer Respite Program, offering parents the opportunity to look for employment, attend necessary meetings or simply take a hot shower while their children were cared for in a safe environment.

The program was wildly successful, offering 302 hours of respite to parents of children from three months of age to twelve years old. Both our Marion and Delaware Shelters participated in the pilot program which would not have been possible without the support from community volunteers. In addition to offering relief to parents, the program volunteers reported seeing children's personalities blossom and come to life while participating in the summer program. "Often through play, children experience healing and the opportunity to open up about the trauma they, too, have experienced," said Robin.

Turning Point is passionate about providing vital children's programming to break the cycle of domestic violence, learned behaviors passed from one generation to the next. We are currently seeking funding to make Respite a permanent program offered year round to support both parents and children in our care.

Robin McNeal, Turning Point
Teen Advocate





“The housing program has been encouraging to me. Giving me the opportunity to take control of my life even with simple things, like planning meals for the week ahead or scheduling my volunteering. I still fail miserably sometimes but I understand that recovery is a process. My case manager Melissa works hard, she always finds the time to check on me, meetings are on time and her professionalism is inspirational.”

- Survivor

HOUSING PROGRAM

IT'S A NEW DAY!

Started over 40 years ago, Turning Point is the oldest and largest rural Domestic Violence Shelter in the state of Ohio. In the six counties we serve, we are the **ONLY** shelter option available to victims of intimate partner violence. One of the most rewarding programs Turning Point offers is the **Housing Assistance Program, led by Melissa Prestien**. According to the National Domestic Violence Hotline, most victims of intimate partner violence return to their abuser on average seven times prior to working up the courage to leave for good. The reasons to stay can be complicated, ranging from emotional or financial dependence, lack of options and resources, not to mention fear of harm to themselves or their children. Not every individual we serve is ready to take this important step toward independence. For victims who are, Turning Point provides both placement and financial assistance helping survivors realize their dream of having their own safe place to call home.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM AT THE OHIO REFORMATORY FOR WOMEN

People may be surprised to learn that 95% of incarcerated women have a trauma history. A 2002 study of incarcerated women found more than half report a history of childhood abuse and the vast majority, 84.6% reported a history of physical abuse in adult relationships. (Bradley & Davino, 2002). Knowing that, programming to address their trauma is essential to their recovery. This reduces their risk of addiction and mental health consequences of trauma, their risk of being in a subsequent relationship with a violent partner and preventing any adoption of violence as a coping behavior. Healing their trauma is a goal that serves the women themselves, their families and the broader community as a whole, enabling them to play a positive role in society upon their return.

At the Ohio Reformatory for Women (ORW), **C. J. Williams, Turning Point Domestic Violence Outreach**

Coordinator leads 5-6 classes weekly, helping students better understand intimate partner violence and the effects of trauma on themselves and their children. C.J. also conducts individual meetings with incarcerated women to address safety planning, identify personal trauma triggers and implement methods and techniques for peaceful conflict resolution. Two specialized classes are provided: one at *Tapestry*, for victims who have substance abuse issues, and the other, *Choosing Peace*, primarily for women who were victimized but have used violence against others as well. Women in all classes also receive a self-help wellness module called Our Daily Practices focusing on physical and mental wellness and building resilience. When needed, C.J. does lethality assessments and communicates with outside resources, including parole officers, about safety risks women may have upon release.

RECOVERY, HEALING, AND CHOOSING PEACE

"Before I started doing them (daily practices) my mornings were crazy. I didn't have energy to make it through my morning. Emotionally I feel I have a better handle on how to control my anger and how to express how I'm feeling in a healthy way. I will continue to use my breathing techniques."

~ Student

The Domestic Violence Education Program at ORW is so successful it has a waiting list of two years or more.

- 97% of ORW students report a better understanding that domestic violence is about one person gaining power & control over their partner
- 99% of ORW students report a better understanding of red flags & warning signs of a potential abuser

"These classes gave me the vital information I needed to continue my own healing journey. It has been 9 months since I've completed both programs and I've noticed a true change. I'm healing! I've lived with trauma and have reacted to it by numbing and emotionally abusing others for thirty-three years prior to these groups."

~Student



PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

FY 2021 SERVICE STATISTICS

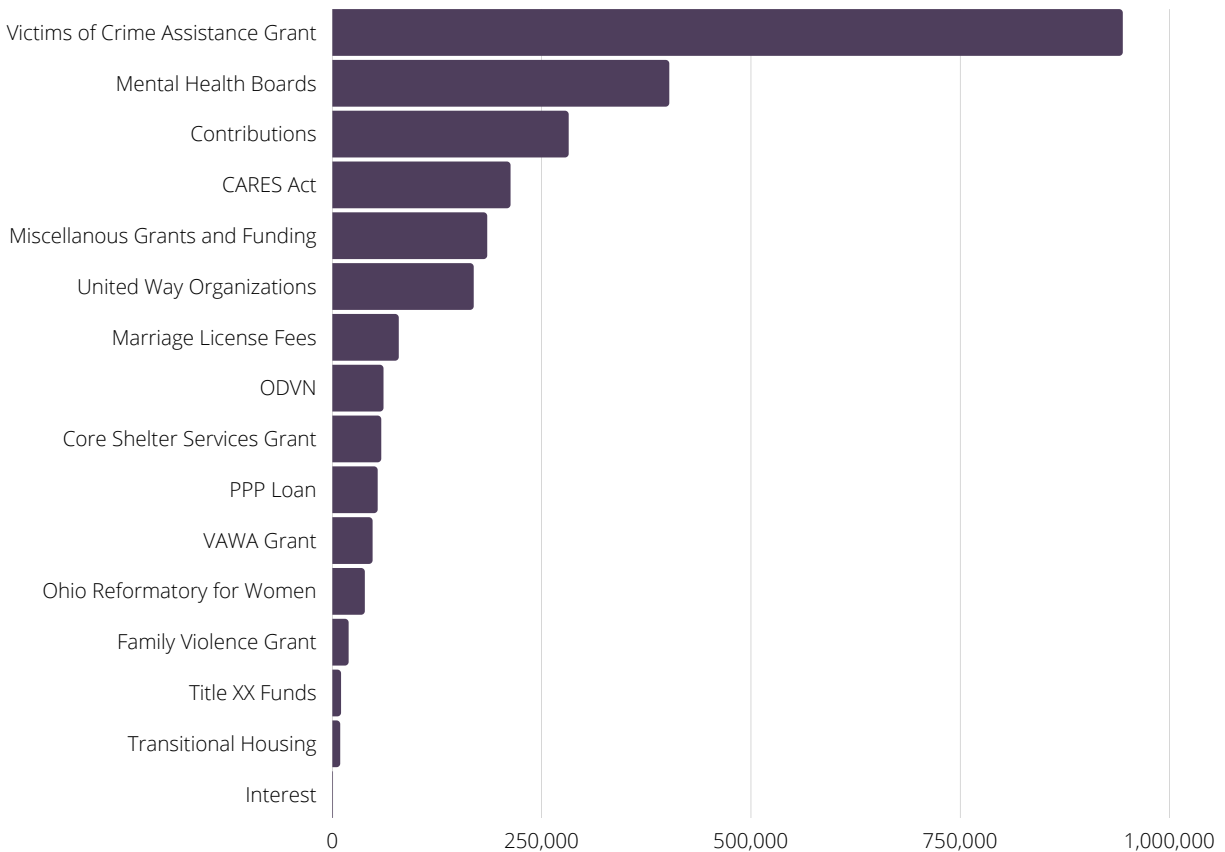
| | Crawford | Delaware | Marion | Morrow | Union | Wyandot | Other or Unknown | Total |
|---|------------|------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|---------------------|-------|
| Crisis Calls | 55 (5%) | 189 (17%) | 454 (40%) | 27 (2%) | 38 (3%) | 15 (1%) | 351 (31%) | 1129 |
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| Shelter | | | | | | | | |
| Women | 7 (7%) | 31 (31%) | 30 (30%) | 4 (4%) | 5 (5%) | 4 (3%) | 19 (19%) | 99 |
| Men | 2 (40%) | 2 (40%) | 0 | 0 | 1 (20%) | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Children | 11 (17%) | 16 (24%) | 12 (18%) | 4 (6%) | 0 | 3 (4%) | 20 (30%) | 66 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Family Days of Stay in Shelter | 1272 (13%) | 1994 (21%) | 1361 (14%) | 274 (3%) | 150 (2%) | 297 (3%) | 4304 (45%) | 9652 |
| Average Day of Stay | 42 | 47 | 30 | 30 | 21 | 42 | 33 | 42 |
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| In-Shelter Transitional Housing # Families | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
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| Stand Alone Transitional Houses # Families | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
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| Total Outreach | | | | | | | | |
| Women | 25 (7%) | 84 (24%) | 112 (32%) | 12 (3%) | 33 (9%) | 3(1%) | 84 (24%) | 353 |
| Men | 1(7%) | 2 (14%) | 4 (29%) | 0 | 1 (7%) | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| Other | 0 | 0 | 1 (50%) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1(50%) | 2 |
| Unknown | 0 | 0 | 2 (50%) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 (50%) | 4 |

With Your Help Turning Point Changed Lives

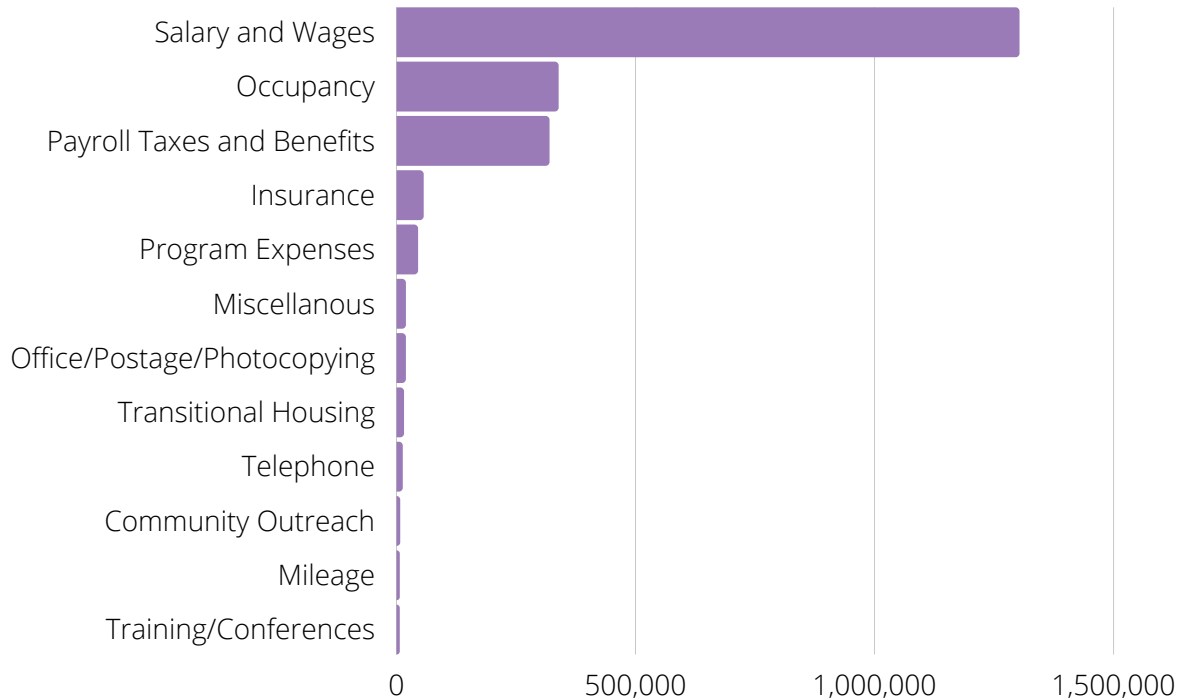
In Fiscal Year 2021 Turning Point served over 1100 individuals across six counties. While all of our programs and 24 hour crisis line remained fully operational during COVID-19, the pandemic did decrease the total number of victims we were able to serve.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Support and Revenue - Fiscal Year 2021



Operating Expenses - Fiscal Year 2021



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