



TURNING POINT ANNUAL REPORT

2022

THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY OF LOYAL SUPPORTERS



"STILL I RISE!"

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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 LGBTQIA+ allies. LEP/Deaf/Hard of Hearing Services are available.

PROGRAMS

24 Hour Crisis Line & Texting | 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,

What a difference a year makes. Welcome to October 2022 and Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM)!

Turning Point is proud to be the leading Domestic Violence organization in 6 counties serving Marion, Delaware, Morrow, Union, Wyandot, and Crawford.

As we embark upon the season of holidays, we reflect not only on the great work we have accomplished over the past year, but the many families still in need of our support. Holidays can be a time of great happiness as families convene and are provided tons of love and gifts! Unfortunately for individuals experiencing domestic violence it is a time of great sadness that consists of constant reminders that they are confined in unhealthy environments throughout the fall and winter months. According to The National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 1 in 4 women and 1 in 9 men experience severe intimate partner physical violence within their lifetime. In addition to this, more than 20,000 calls are taken through domestic violence hotlines each year. The team of Turning Point are 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 together collectively with the community 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 extremely limited resources available.

Over the last year, Turning Point has focused heavily on "Breaking Generational Cycles" and/or prevention in an effort to minimize the number of cases reported hourly, daily, monthly, and annually. This is our long-term systematic approach to addressing domestic violence, and this will ultimately lead to healthier homes, children, and adults. Our work is always centered around preventing the cycle of abuse and we do this with the help of community members and stakeholders who also hold the passion of prevention near and dear to their hearts.

Due to the amazing amount of community support received over the last few years and since the devastating cuts made by the federal government to the Victims of Crime Act Fund (VOCA), Turning Point has been able to sustain programs and services while reinstating a few that we are super excited to announce! Last year we shared that our Children's Programming was negatively impacted due to funding restraints, this year we announce the reinstatement and expansion into both Marion and Delaware Shelters in partnership with Women Giving Together. In addition to this we served 3,166 teenage students through partnership with the Delaware-Morrow Mental Health and Recovery Services Board.

With a year full of challenges and exciting new experiences, Turning Point has managed to survive the test of funding cuts as well as the pandemic and are looking ahead to a bright future.

Going into another year of service, we pledge to the community to positively impact the lives of families for generations to come through extensive prevention-based programs. 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 2022-2023 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,



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Captured Moments



TURNING POINT PROGRAMS

IMPACT A FOCUS ON PREVENTION

Last year, with the lifting of covid restrictions Turning Point provided services to over 4,000 individuals through crisis line calls, in-shelter stays, and outreach advocacy. "Providing safety and shelter to those in crisis is our primary objective but our mission requires us to press on," says Turning Point Program Director, Paula Burnside. "Freedom from abuse occurs when victims are equipped with knowledge, opportunities and a solid support system." Turning Point programs and services are designed to remove barriers that keep victims feeling trapped and isolated in their circumstances. This year, in addition to providing trauma informed care to the victims and families we serve, we turned our focus toward community education that aims to break the cyclical nature of growing up in an abusive household.

Children who witness domestic violence in their homes are more likely to become either victims or perpetrators of domestic violence as adults (U.S. Department of Justice, 2021). A fact that not only negatively impacts individual family units but also has devastating and far-reaching effects on our community as a whole. If victims are not offered options and provided alternatives, communities will experience continued strain from the resources expended on domestic violence cases (National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 2002). Turning Point's Mission states that we strive to identify and confront the causes of domestic violence. We believe this starts with placing a strategic focus on expanding our prevention programming. By providing trauma informed care, education, support services and safety planning to our youth we aspire to bring healing to those who've endured childhood trauma and break the cycle of abuse.

A NEW CHILDREN'S COORDINATOR

In 2011 Women Giving Together (WGT) was formed. It is a group comprised of women who work and live in Delaware County, determined to pool their philanthropic efforts for a greater impact.

Last year, thanks to their tireless efforts and "Power of 100" Match Campaign WGT and The Delaware County Foundation raised \$61,000 to fully fund a new Children's Coordinator position.

On behalf of the families we serve, we THANK YOU!



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CHILDREN AND TEENS



HEALING AND HOPE FOR A BRIGHT FUTURE

On Average, nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the United States. This equates to 10 million individuals per year according to the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey conducted in 2010. What this means for children is 1 in 15 are exposed to domestic violence each year and 90% are eyewitnesses to violent acts (U.S. Department of Justice, 2011).

Often, there are more children in shelter than adults (an average family residing at Turning Point is a mother and two children). Our Prevention Team knows first-hand, the critical need for programs and services designed specifically with children and teens in mind. **Robin McNeal, Turning Point Teen Advocate** and **Shelly Stout, our new Children's Coordinator** are passionate about providing a unique and personalized approach to youth impacted by domestic violence.

Last year, we are proud to say, we served 3,166 teens in 29 schools; 154 children in shelter; and provided over 500 hours of respite care to 21 parents and 36 children ranging from 3 months to 14 years of age.

In shelter, Shelly uses her love of art and music to

connect with each child. "Sometimes the progress is slow, and sometimes a child can't wait to pour out their story," says Shelly. "Either way, it's important to provide a safe and confidential environment so each child can work through their trauma and begin to heal at their own pace."

In schools, Robin employs humor and a non-judgmental approach when speaking with teens. "A student might be discovering real-time, when I give a speech, that they are in an abusive situation. Or, that they themselves are exhibiting abusive behaviors," says Robin. "My role is to help them navigate some challenging emotions. And give them the tools and resources necessary to make healthy choices."

Turning Point is working hard to grow our prevention programming to widen our reach and have a positive impact on the youth we serve.

**Robin McNeal, Turning Point
Teen Advocate**



VICTIMS' RIGHTS ADVOCATES

Victims of Crimes have RIGHTS:

- The right to be treated with fairness and respect regarding your safety, dignity, and privacy.
- The right to reasonable protection from the accused or anyone acting on his or her behalf.
- The right to refuse to answer questions from the offender or any person representing the offender.
- The right to proceedings that are free from unreasonable delay and prompt the conclusion of the case.
- The right to receive full and timely restitution.
- The right to have access to an attorney from the government.
- The right to a secure waiting area during the court proceedings away from the offender.
- The right to a timely notice of all public proceedings involving the crimes against you and to attend them.
- The right to receive notice if the offender is released or escapes.
- The right to have a Victims' Rights Advocate with you during all court proceedings.

A PERSONAL APPROACH

Turning Point serves the largest geographic area of any domestic violence shelter in the state of Ohio. Our Victims' Rights Advocates travel across a six-county region to meet face-to-face with victims of domestic abuse to inform them of their rights and connect them to helpful resources.

Victims having recently experienced trauma often feel overwhelmed and afraid of what the future holds. Turning Point Advocates are there to help for the duration of an often intimidating and challenging process. Utilizing trauma informed care practices, they meet with victims privately offering options instead of solutions to questions they have about their own specific situations.

Victims' Rights Advocates assist with Civil Protection Orders, transportation, accompaniment to court, doctors

appointments, Job & Family Services, Children's Services, and other case management services, including referrals to the shelter. Additionally, they screen for Legal Aid eligibility, provide referrals to attorneys who have agreed to take pro-bono or reduced-fee cases, provide help with immigration issues, and offer information and referrals for other necessary services, including medical, employment, or housing.

With more than forty years professional experience, Turning Point knows the difference meeting with victims face-to-face can make. Advocates sitting down in person and in private means victims of abuse are much more comfortable and 30% more likely to access the services available to them. Services that can lead to a life free of violence and fear.



Meet Turning Point Advocates

"We're here to help!"

1. Create a **Safety Plan** for you and your family.
2. Always seek medical treatment.
3. Documentation! It's important to keep a journal, take pictures, talk to witnesses and file a police report.



Turning Point Kennel

Did You Know?

Turning Point was among the first Domestic Violence Shelters in the state of Ohio to have a kennel onsite. Before the addition of a second shelter, when our Delaware location was just a dream, staff and supporters agreed: there must be a kennel!

Now the dream has become a reality and the Kitty Giacomelli-Butcher Kennel is truly a fan favorite and a blessing to our shelter residents. Occupied nearly 365 days a year, the kennel at Turning Point is much more than a pet hotel. It removes a critical barrier for families entering shelter.

Sadly, abusers often threaten to injure or kill a family pet as a means of control, 71% according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. In fact, the correlation between animal abuse and family violence has been well documented.



The Animal Welfare Institute found that between 18% and 48% of battered women delay leaving a dangerous situation out of concern for their pets' safety.

In any home, the immeasurable joy a dog, cat, or potbellied pig offers, transforms them in our hearts from just a pet to a valued member of the family. Turning Point is proud to have sheltered all of the above and a few other "exotic pets" along the way.

"Individuals and families entering shelter have endured trauma," says Turning Point Shelter Director, Kathy King. "In some cases, extreme trauma. In terms of therapy, it doesn't get any better than having full access to your pet and the peace of mind that comes from knowing that pet is safe."

GREIF

LEADING OUR COMMUNITY IN GENEROSITY

Greif, is a global leader in packaging, they are also leaders within our community! Turning Point is grateful for their steadfast support of our mission to aide, shelter and empower victims of Domestic Violence. Last year, Greif awarded \$50,000 to Turning Point for the purchase of a new passenger van and in support our Prevention Programming and Children's Coordinator role.



THANK YOU
FOR HELPING
EMPOWER VICTIMS OF
DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE



PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

FY 2022 Service Statistics								
	<u>Crawford</u>	<u>Delaware</u>	<u>Marion</u>	<u>Morrow</u>	<u>Union</u>	<u>Wyandot</u>	<u>Other or Unknown</u>	<u>Total</u>
Crisis Calls	73 (5%)	177 (13%)	467 (33%)	42(3%)	79 (6%)	12 (1%)	564 (40%)	1,414
Total Shelter								
Women	9 (5%)	34 (19%)	71 (40%)	4 (2%)	10 (6%)	1 (1%)	49 (28%)	178
Men	0	2 (29%)	4 (57%)	0	1 (1%)	0	0	7
Children	3 (2%)	36 (23%)	70 (45%)	7 (5%)	6 (4%)	1 (1%)	31 (20%)	154
Family Days of Stay in Shelter	369 (2%)	2,074 (13%)	7,519 (48%)	635 (4%)	902 (6%)	450 (3%)	3,797 (24%)	15,746
Average Day of Stay	31	34	54	71	56	225	79	50
In-Shelter Transitional Housing # Families	0	2 (67%)	0	0	0	0	1 (33%)	3
Stand Alone Transitional Houses # Families	0	0	2 (100%)	0	0	0	0	2
Total Outreach								
Women	38 (9%)	70 (17%)	150 37%)	12 (3%)	42 (10%)	4 (10%)	91 (22%)	407
Men	0	4(27%)	8 (53%)	1 (7%)	1 (7%)	0	1 (7%)	15
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	4 (29%)	1 (7%)	0	0	9 (64%)	14
Teen School Prevention								
# Students	590 (19%)	865 (27%)	423 (13%)	322 (10%)	453 (14%)	458 (14%)	44(1%)	3,166
# Schools	3 (10%)	7 (24%)	7 (24%)	4 (14%)	4 (14%)	4 (14%)	0	29

Populations Served

RACE

American Indian/Alaska Native.....1%
 Race Unknown.....1%
 Asian.....2%
 Multiple Races.....6%
 Black/African American.....9%
 Hispanic.....26%
 White.....55%

AGE

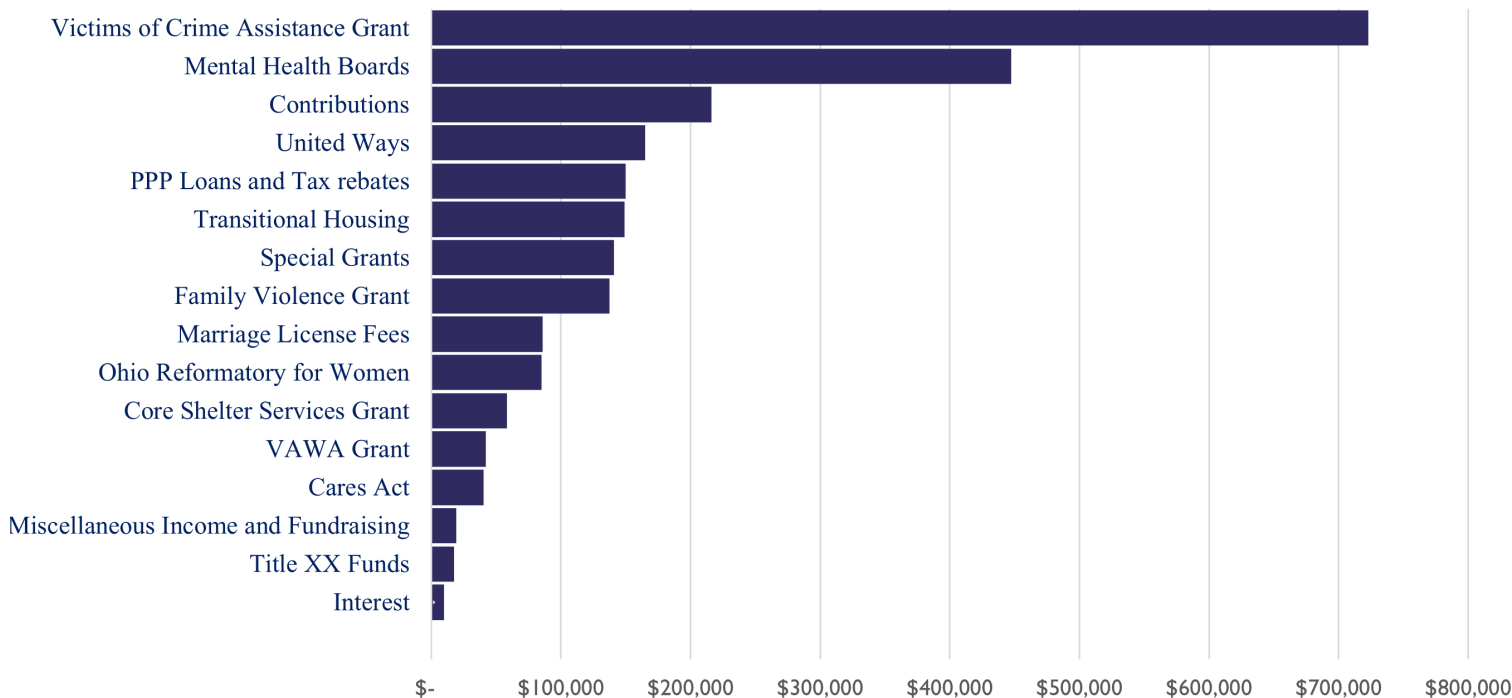
0-6 years.....20%
 7-12 years.....7%
 13-17 years.....2%
 18-24 years.....10%
 25-39 years.....60%
 60+ years.....1%

GENDER

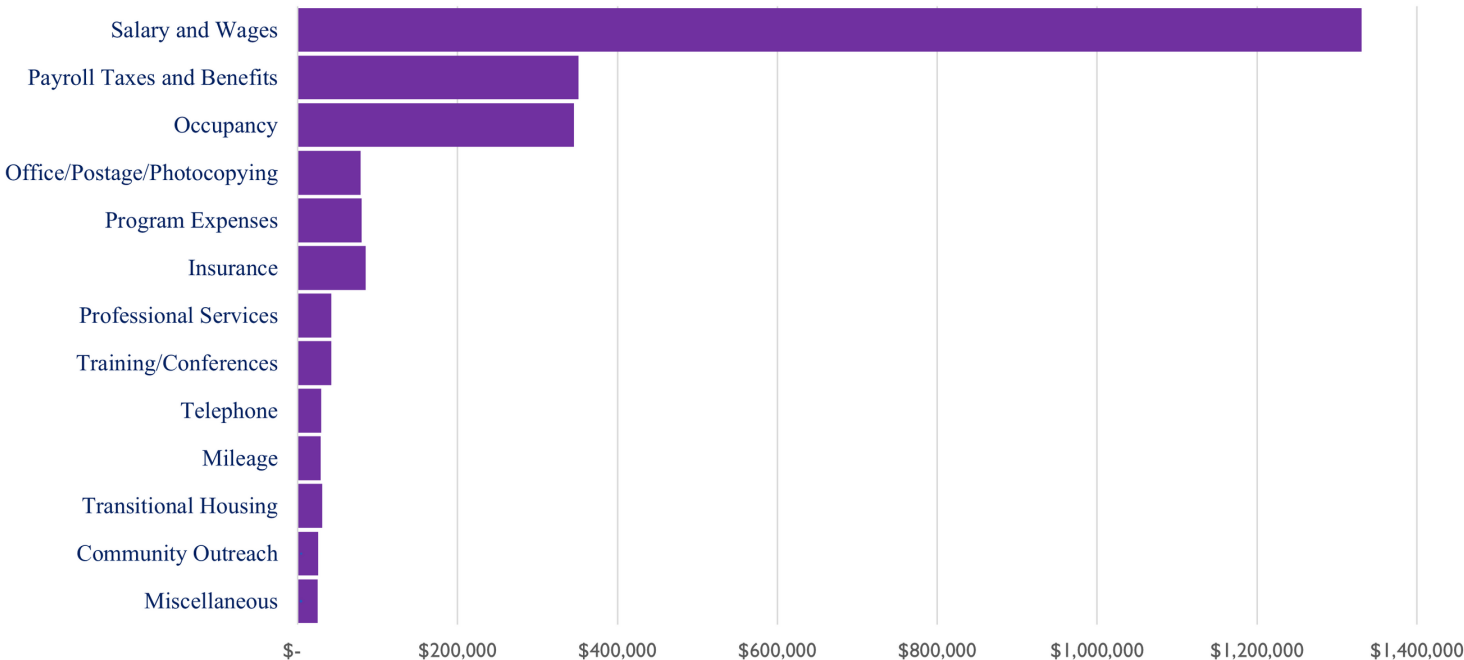
Female.....83%
 Male.....16%
 Transgendered.....1%

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Support and Revenue Fiscal Year 2022



Operating Expenses- Fiscal Year 2022



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