

FAMILY VIOLENCE PROJECT

2015 ANNUAL REPORT

It takes a community to end domestic violence

Thank you to the many businesses, foundations, groups and individuals who contributed to FVP through community events. We appreciate all your efforts to help

Maine Municipal Association - Soup Day

Maine State Credit Union— Crock Pot Event

Maine Credit Unions—Jeans Day

Amy Buxton—Under Dog Jog

Madison—Anson Days Chili Cook-off

Verizon Hope Line

Camden National Bank—Hope at Home

United Bikers of Maine

Ladies of the Valley Ruffled Feathers Club

Cony Key Club—Calloway Coffee House

Forest Hills High School Student Council

Rejuvenate Salon—Purple Hair Extension Fundraiser

Laflin Wolfington Realty—Home Sale Donation Program

Redmond Foundation

Sukeforth Foundation

Maine Chapter of the Assoc. of Government Accountants—Back to School Project

Harlow Gallery—Transforming Violence II

Empire Beauty School — Household Items Drive

Semper Fidelis Club, Augusta and Skowhegan Comfort Quilts, Skowhegan

Kens Family Restaurant, Skowhegan



Thank you to all the individual donors who also contributed to Family Violence Project throughout the year. Your commitment to helping survivors of abuse is a true blessing.

The Work of FVP

Family Violence Project has worked across the communities of Somerset and Kennebec counties for almost thirty eight years, helping abuse victims plan for their safety and accessing the resources available to them. We provide a twenty-four hour helpline, individual advocacy and group support, emergency shelter, and information about how to obtain a civil order for protection from abuse. We operate two shelters and three offices in Skowhegan, Waterville, and Augusta.

We believe every single person has the right to live a life free of abuse. Every adult and every child deserves to feel safe in their homes and with the people closest to them, who will love and respect them. And we understand that for far too many, those basic human rights have been violated.

This is why we believe we must bring our voices into the schools, into businesses, helping organizations, and into faith communities. Domestic violence can happen in any family, and people who have been affected by abuse are everywhere. Our advocate educators talk with children and youth about respect, about developing healthy relationships and about how to speak up and speak out. We work alongside

employers who want to create workplaces that are responsive when an employee has experienced abuse. We talk with other helping professionals to increase their understanding about how to recognize abuse and connect victims to the most appropriate resources.

Menswork is a Family Violence Project program for men who have been convicted of domestic assault. It is a unique opportunity for men to understand where and how violence is learned and how to make changes in their own beliefs, values and behaviors.

We are working hard in our communities. In our last full year, we assisted almost 1800 people affected by abuse. It is our goal to work ourselves out of a job! We believe that we can end domestic violence, and we know it will take all of us to do that. Everything you do – every single act of kindness, every show of respect, every voice seeking justice – counts.

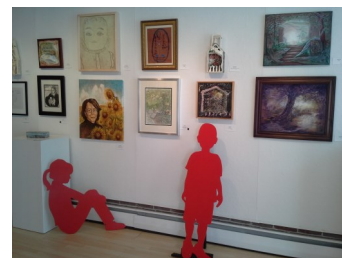
Please call us or visit our website or Facebook page to learn more about our work. Consider volunteering. Learn how to help a friend who is experiencing abuse. Together, we will create safe homes and safe communities.

Melody Fitch
Executive Director

Harlow Gallery “Transforming Violence II”



You the Man Performance at
Hallowell City Hall



FVP Involvement to Help Keep Our Communities Safe and Strong

Kennebec County Domestic Violence Task Force
 Kennebec/Somerset Coalition Against Sex Trafficking and Exploitation
 Maine Association of Batterer Intervention Programs
 kNOw Violence Task Force
 Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence
 Maine Commission on Domestic and Sexual Abuse
 Maine Continuum of Care
 Mid Maine Chamber of Commerce
 Region II Homeless Council
 Somerset County Domestic Violence Task Force
 Greater Augusta Elder Abuse Task Force
 Waterville Social Service Providers Group
 Augusta Social Service Providers Network
 Healthy Northern Kennebec Coalition
 Somerset County Area Resource Providers
 Capital Area Multi Faith Association
 Interfaith Clergy Association
 Augusta Social Workers Association

2015 Fiscal year in Numbers

Total number of people served	1,962
Victims receiving individual support and advocacy	1,737
Victims receiving court advocacy	476
Victims participating in support groups	117
Victims accessing emergency shelter	96
Calls and in-person support to the helpline	12,121
Students attending presentations in schools	5,830
Men attending Menswork Program	62
Hours contributed by volunteers	1,043

Revenue and Expenses for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2015

Revenue

Federal and State Grants	\$1,256,453	73%
Town Campaign	\$54,409	3%
Maine State Housing Authority Grant	\$55,663	3%
Private Grants	\$24,732	1%
United Way Contributions	\$69,833	4%
Program Revenue	\$56,232	3%
	\$192,124	11%
Miscellaneous	\$3,563	0%
Total Revenues	\$1,713,009	100%

Expenses

Shelter	\$220,340	13%
Advocacy	\$478,994	28%
Substance Abuse Shelter	\$439,696	26%
Community Education	\$227,760	13%
Transitional Housing	\$86,209	5%
Menswork	\$114,181	7%
Administration	\$147,612	8%
Total Expenses	\$1,714,792	100%

Net Income (Loss) **(\$1,783)**

TEAM FVP



Back Row: Lynne Dailey, Pat Woodward, Heidi Hall, Jan White, Jaime Mooney, Monica Deihl, Deidra Pomelow, Nikki Currier, Karen Woodcock **Second Row:** Beth Crowe, Pam Morin, Magyn Reed, Michelle LeClair, Nancy Provost, Shawn Lund, Lori Woods, Ginnie Fowles, Robin Miller, Kelly Smith **Front Row:** Melody Fitch, Liz Hersom, Liz Knowles Missing from picture is Nan Bell and Jon Heath.

Donations to Family Violence Project are very much appreciated. To make yours, please go to our web-site and click

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Augusta Administrative Office	207-623-8637
Waterville Outreach Office	207-877-0835
Skowhegan Outreach Office	207-474-8860
Menswork Program	207-620-8494

Family Violence Project is supported through funding from US Office on Violence Against Women, Maine DHHS, United Ways of Kennebec and Mid-Maine, Maine Housing Authority, municipalities, private grants, special fundraising events and donations.

Family Violence Project does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, religion, age, ancestry or national origin, gender identity or expression, pregnancy or any other characteristic protected by law.

Family Violence Project was incorporated in 1978 as an independent, nonprofit organization. With offices in Augusta, Waterville and Skowhegan, the Project serves the communities of Kennebec and Somerset Counties, providing a 24 hour helpline, emergency shelter, individual and court advocacy, support groups, community and school-based education and batterer education.

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