A NOTE FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

In 1976, a small number of conscientious, tireless volunteers from the West Chester YWCA responded to a deep outrage expressed by victim survivors of domestic violence. These individuals sought to create services that would provide relief to victim survivors of the abuse which had been inflicted on them. For the past 45 years the Domestic Violence Center (DVCCC) has provided resources to survivors to encourage their empowerment through its services, advocacy, and community education.

Through your generosity and partnership, along with the Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers, we have been able to grow and enhance the organization’s programs and services:

- **1980** partnered with the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence, a statewide domestic violence network
- **1983** opened an emergency communal shelter for survivors and their children and began providing counseling services for children and adults
- **1987** housing services were expanded to include a communal long-term housing program
- **1990** implemented a community education/outreach program
- **1997** legal services were provided so survivors had representation in Family Court proceedings
- **1998** housing services were expanded to include community-based independent housing
- **2000** outreach centers in the City of Coatesville and Kennett Square Borough were opened to provide access to services
- **2004** constructed thirteen three-bedroom townhomes for survivors and their children
- **2008** an additional outreach center was opened in Oxford to provide access to services
- **2012** the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), a partnership with the District Attorney’s office and law enforcement to connect victims at increased risk of homicide with DVCCC was implemented
- **2017** Coaching Boys Into Men, a partnership with high school athletic programs to promote respectful dating relationship behavior, was implemented
- **2018** independent housing units were increased from thirteen to seventeen
- **2018** an additional outreach center was opened in Jennersville to provide access to services
- **2019** DVCCC’s first independent outreach office was opened to serve the Phoenixville community
- **2020 to date** kept our doors open 24/7 for survivors and the community during the ongoing pandemic
- **2021** began pilot for Coaching Girls Beyond the Game, an adaptation of the Coaching Boys Into Men program

In addition to the timeline of program and services expansion, along the way, DVCCC has been the recipient of the following awards and accreditation:

- **2007** Glaxo Smith Kline Impact Award Recipient
- **2010** Accredited by the Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO)
- **2015** The J Dewees Moseller Community Service Award Recipient
- **2019** Chester County District Attorney’s Office Commendation for the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP)
- **2021** Glaxo Smith Kline Impact Award Recipient

Your support through the years has impacted the growth and sustainability of the organization and on behalf of all the survivors who have been able to benefit from our services, we thank you for your generosity.

Dr. Dolly Wideman-Scott
Chief Executive Officer

Jean Francois
President, Board of Directors
In 2012, Irma and her two daughters came from Mexico - along with her abuser - on a family visa. Within a few months of arriving in the United States, Irma was abused by her husband who used a pole from their bed to beat her. Her eldest daughter was also hurt in the incident, trying to protect Irma. After he was arrested, he took a new position at a company outside of the United States and filed a legal action against Irma, demanding the return of their two daughters.

Irma sought support from DVCCC's bilingual legal advocates to arrange legal representation in this case. Irma won, and she and her children were able to safely stay here in the United States.

In 2019, Irma met with DVCCC's legal advocates and partner immigration attorney through HIAS Pennsylvania and received representation in applying for a U-Visa for both herself and her children but was deferred until finally, in April 2021, Irma and her daughters were granted U-Visas! Irma shared that she could not stop crying that day, feeling a sense of relief, freedom, and empowerment.

Irma's eldest daughter is now able to attend college as a Pennsylvania resident. Irma has also started on her own educational journey, obtaining her GED with the goal to attend nursing school. She remembers the nurse who helped her when she was abused, and wants to help victims the way she was helped that day.
MISSION

The mission of the Domestic Violence Center of Chester County is to reduce, remedy, and prevent domestic violence in Chester County.

HISTORY

DVCCC began 45 years ago as the YWCA Women's Resource Center (WRC) to serve as an informational and referral source for Chester County women. In response to the great need for services, WRC reorganized in 1976 as the Domestic Violence Center of Chester County, focusing on domestic violence intervention and prevention. DVCCC is the only organization within Chester County that has a contract with the PA Department of Human Services and PCADV to provide services to victims and their dependent children who present their primary victimization as domestic violence - which includes family and/or relationship violence such as intimate partner violence, dating violence, human trafficking, and elderly family and/or intimate partner violence.
VISION

The vision of the Domestic Violence Center of Chester County is to eliminate Domestic Violence in Chester County.

PHILOSOPHY

We believe that all people and children are entitled to a safe environment free from violence. We recognize that every person is at risk, and we are committed to working collectively and cooperatively to end violence against women, men, and children in our community. We believe that each person has the ability and right to control their own life. We are committed to empowerment-based support services which affirm a person's competence to make decisions. We believe we must take an active role in increasing public awareness that domestic violence is a crime and in advocating systems change, in order to reduce tolerance for domestic violence in our community.
In celebrating 45 years of providing services for victims/survivors of domestic violence in Chester County, we searched the Chester County History Center and found DVCCC data reports from 1978, which inspired this year’s report.

1,684 SURVIVORS RECEIVED SERVICES

In 1978, 333 victims/survivors sought services from DVCCC. Today, we serve over 1,000 Chester County survivors each year!

88 ADULTS & 82 CHILDREN SHELTERED

DVCCC’s shelter and housing programs have been a proud staple of our services for 45 years - one we expanded in 1987, 2004, and 2018, and keep in our focus for future innovation.

922 SURVIVORS RECEIVED SUPPORT NAVIGATING THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

In 1978, DVCCC served 66 clients with legal needs. We are now proud to provide in-house legal support with three full-time staff attorneys and an experienced team of legal advocates.
One of the keys to access and empowerment is DVCCC’s 24-hour crisis hotline. Looking back 45 years, this service has grown. **In 1978, the counselors received 358 hotline calls - today, we average 10 times more hotline calls each year!** We track where our hotline calls are coming from using the heat map below, which has also assisted DVCCC in identifying the best locations to open our multiple community outreach offices.

**3,255**

CALLS ANSWERED IN 2020-2021
DVCCC believes that education for our community is the key to preventing domestic violence. Despite COVID restrictions, we still were able to provide

**61 PROGRAMS REACHING 1,195**

individuals in Chester County, virtually. Notable efforts included a video series in partnership with LCH: Health and Community Services, the For Women By Women awareness & fundraising event in Parkesburg, and leadership in planning and development of the 2020 Virtual Elder Abuse Symposium.

DVCCC also partnered with several organizations to increase outreach for October's Domestic Violence Awareness Month including:

- **"Painting the Town Purple"** by hanging awareness ribbons in West Chester, Kennett Square, Downingtown, Coatesville, Oxford, Phoenixville, Malvern, and on West Chester and Lincoln University campuses.
  - We also developed and provided a webinar in partnership with the SPCA, discussing the intersections of animal abuse and domestic violence.

- **"Painting the Shelter Purple"** by providing every dog in the Brandywine Valley SPCA Shelter with a purple bandana.

- **Our first Coffee Cup Sleeve awareness campaign** - featured at Dia Doce/Cathey’s Coffee and Fenn's Coffee in West Chester, and all County Cup locations.

- **Sharing a domestic violence awareness book list** - with Spring City Library and Henrietta Hankin Branch Library creating colorful awareness book displays.
  - Also hosting a live Q&A with Author and Advocate, Bill Mitchell, on his novel, "When Dating Hurts."
LETHALITY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

In 2012, DVCCC launched what would become one of our flagship training & prevention initiatives: the LAP program. Through LAP, DVCCC trains local law enforcement to utilize an evidence-based screening tool on the scene of a domestic disturbance to determine the risk for homicide. Victims who screen "high danger" are immediately connected with DVCCC's hotline by the officer. The number of LAP screens, high-danger calls, and number of victims connecting with DVCCC services (as noted in the table below) has steadily increased since the program's inception.

80% OF VICTIMS WHO SCREENED HIGH-DANGER IN 2021 MOVED FORWARD WITH DVCCC SERVICES
In 1999, with teen dating abuse being discussed more in the media and community, DVCCC began in-school educational programming. In 2018, with the addition of Coaching Boys Into Men, teen outreach became a forefront of our violence prevention efforts.

In this increasingly virtual, post-pandemic world, virtual outreach is more vital than ever before. In 2021, DVCCC re-vamped our teen dating resource web page and launched a TikTok channel with great success - gaining almost 11,000 views per video!

"They provided so many (ways) to get help ... I will always have a way to contact someone about my relationship if I am ever in this kind of situation."

- Anonymous DVCCC High School Student Survey Response
Victoria Naftal, of Downingtown West High School, was the winner of our 5th Annual High School Student Art Contest with the piece, "We Triumph When We Grow Beyond."

According to LoveIsRespect.com, 58% of college students report that they don’t know how to help someone who’s experiencing dating abuse; however, OVER 95% OF TEENS SURVEYED reported feeling confident to help a friend who is experiencing abuse following DVCCC Zoom presentations & engagement with DVCCC's healthy dating resource webpage.

Since we began providing education for teens, our program reach has grown tremendously - and while COVID had a slight impact on the 20-21 school year, growth continues to trend upward.

Victoria Naftal, of Downingtown West High School, was the winner of our 5th Annual High School Student Art Contest with the piece, "We Triumph When We Grow Beyond."
In April of 2021, a local domestic violence homicide in Schuylkill Township shocked the greater Phoenixville area, leading many to contact DVCCC asking what could be done. This was the second fatal domestic violence incident in the township in five years, and the community needed healing. Taking quick, responsive action, DVCCC reached out and connected with leaders in the area to plan something to memorialize the victims and bring the community together through this tragedy,

In May of 2021, this planning culminated in the planting ceremony for the Tree of Hope & Healing on the Schuylkill Township municipal grounds. The tree, a flowering Eastern Redbud, was planted to memorialize those we had lost and serve as a symbol of hope for those who may still be facing abuse. The Phoenixville area school district students created dozens of "kindness rocks" to include and the township also placed a bench in the garden.

"May this tree be a symbol of hope and resilience to those living with domestic abuse and a reminder that you are not alone: a gift from DVCCC to the Schuylkill Township Community in memory of those we have lost to domestic violence."

- This inscription on the plaque for the tree is in English, Spanish, and Portuguese (donated by Jeanne Reith & Tuttle Marketing)
The Tree of Hope & Healing project (which included a social media campaign in English, Spanish, and Portuguese leading up to the tree planting ceremony, which was live-streamed) would not have been possible without the support of our partners in planning and outreach:

- Schuylkill Township
- Schuylkill Township Police Department
- Colonial Gardens
- Phoenixville Area School District
- Phoenixville Community Health Foundation
- Senator Katie Muth
- Representative Melissa Shusterman
- Chester County District Attorney, Deb Ryan
- Wellness in Harmony
- Phoenixville Borough

Through our social media outreach campaign, targeted to reach those in the Phoenixville community, which ran for a full week, DVCCC reached an estimated 935 individuals per post and over 1,000 viewers tuned in to watch the planting event live.

The tree is open to the public to visit, enjoy, reflect - and even leave a kindness rock - at the Schuylkill Township Municipal grounds in Phoenixville, PA.

DVCCC plans to continue our partnership with Schuylkill Township and the Schuylkill Township Police Department, annually, to light the Tree of Hope & Healing each October as part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month so it shines all month as a beacon of hope.
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Rothwell Document Solutions
Royer, Renee
Rupert, Sara
Ryan, Kevin
Sabatino, Kristen
Said, Jane
Saint Luke Greek Orthodox
Youth of America
Sanchez, Michelle
Sanga, Graziella
Santella, Verna
Santiago, Liza
Sauerteig, Allison

**Saul, Scott**
Saunders, Jennifer
Sawyer, Alison
Sayler, Greg
Schaen, Lisa*
Scheffey, Carole
Scheibe, Monica*
Scheidel, Jen
Schembri, Justine
Schenkel, Cari
Schivito, Brenda
Schneider, Marilyn
Schoonmaker, Eileen
Schwartz, John
Schwartzburt, Priya
Seaman, Norton
Sehi, Michael
Senescu, Peter*
Serfass, Mariel

**Servpro of West Chester**
Sexton, Pat
Sexton-Lipstein, Carol
Seybold, Bill
Sha-Nic, Inc.,
Shahani, Caitlin
Shannon, Gail
Sharipova, Larisa
Sharkan, Keith
Sharma, Yasoda
Shawcross, Lucie
Shealy, David
Shearman, Denisr
Sheehan, Theresa
Sheridan, Mary Ann

**Shinehouse, Mr & Mrs. James**
Shires, Alison
Shirley, Lauren

**Shone, Michael**
Shry, Ashlee
Shupp, Jeff

**Signal Service**
Simon, Johanna
Sindell, Jamie
Singer, Malleri
Slovik, Monica
Smart, Denise
Smedley, Angela
Smith, Ashlee
Smith, Kirstin
Smyth, Tracy
Snyder, Diane*
Snyder, James
Soring, Meg

**Southco, Inc.**
Southmayd, Geoff
Sparre, Debra
Spieller, Sami
Spiess, Rebecca
Spillane, Kate
Sporek, Brian
Spring City Public Library
Sroll, Susanne
Srinivasan, Padmanathan
St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church

**St. Francis-in-the Fields Episcopal Church**
Stahl, Karen*
Staub, Jessica
Staus, Patti
Sternberg, Marc
Stevens, Robin*
Stojowski, Steve
Stouch, Cheryl
Stough, Charles

**Strategic Exit Advisors LLC**
Stumpf, Megan
Sugg, Donna
Suhre, Neil
Sundwall, Howard
Sunny Crest Home,
Sussman, Ilene*
Swarm, Dolores
Sweet, Vicki
Syska Garrett, Maria
Talley, Kathleen
Target,
Tarlo, Sally
Tate, Carolyn
Taube, Brenda
Taylor, Amanda
Taylor, James
Tento, Pat
Terkanian, Gina
Thalhamer, John & Deb
The Classic Diner

**The Fund for Women and Girls**
Thiele, Laura
Thomas, Jessica
Thompson, Anna

**Thompson, Peter**
Thomson, Paul
Thorne, Allison
Tidwell, James
Tilma-Ross, Lynn
Tomlinson, Linda
Tompkins, Teresa
Toms, Jessica
Toner, Cathy
Toolan, Lauren
Torosian, Erika
Tracy, Jessica*
Trainor, George
Tralies, Richard
Tran Baier, Purdy
Traylor, Crystal
Trotman, Karen
Trucksess, Lisa

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Truitt, Anne
Trupkovich, Elizabeth
Tumolo, Stacy
TurnDial,
Turney, Suzan
Tutella, Cheryl
Unionville High School
Unitarian Congregation Of West Chester
United Way of Chester County
United Way of Delaware
United Way of Greater Philadelphia & SNJ*
United Way of Southern Chester County
Vaihinger, Christine
Valente, Juan
Van, Win
Van Wie, William
The Vanguard Group Foundation
VanHefter, Cynthia
Verlinghieri, Lori
Versteegh, Lorna
Verwey, Kathleen
VFW 106 Auxiliary
Vibe Vault Fit
Villarini, Sue
Vining, L. Scott
Vitale, Sarah
Voit, Catherine
Vokoun, Janet
The W.W. Smith Charitable Trust
Wable, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas
Wagenmann, Bill
Wagenmann, Jeffrey
Wagerle, Sylvia
Waggy, Tammie
Wainstein, Jason
Walters, Kim
Walton, Stevie
Wang, Jinqing
Wark, Sherri
Warrington, Joy
WC Alumni Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma
Weichert, Willi
Weigel, Nancy
Weinlau, Lisa
Weiss, Laura
Weissberger, Keri
Wellness In Harmony
Wentz, Marjorie
Wertz, Jenna
West Chester Area Education Association
West Chester Cycling Club*
West Chester Downtown Foundation Grantmaking Endowment
Westminster Presbyterian Church
Wetterholt, Diane
Wheaton, Jennifer
Whelan, Jessica
White, Dawn
Whole Foods Market
Wickes, Marsha
Wideman-Scott, Dolly
Wiechec, Deb
Wielgos, Christopher
Wientjes, Stephanie
Wikstrom-Fischer, Moria
Wileczek, Mark
Wilkinson, Suzy
Willie L. Anderson State Farm Insurance Companies*
Wilson, Carolyn
Wilson, Mark
Winand, Sara
Wing, Megan
Winkey, Amanda
Winkowski, David
Winter, Kim
Wood, Mary
Woodlief, Jamie
Work, Janel
Worth, Lisa
WSFS Bank Foundation
Wyeth, Victoria
Wylam, Michael
Yashchenko, Kseniya
Yeager, Vicki
Yefko, Alan
Yesner, Faith
Yoder, Katherine
Yoon, Katherine
YouGiveGoods LLC
Young, Suzanne
Zebby Sulecki, Inc.
Zebley-Stump, Linda
Zeis, Joan
Zeiset, Sandra
Zito, Ed

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Taube, Brenda

In Honor of Dana Wainstein
Rasmussen, Amy Francis

In Honor of Drew, Meredith, Ty, Huck, and Avery Rocca
Mom's Club of Unionville-Chadds Ford

In Honor of Jim and Cindy Coble
Bilotta, Andrew

In Honor of Joseph Romaine
Romaine, Amelia

In Honor of Katie Lauer
Wielgus, Christopher

In Honor of Kitty Knox
Knox, Mr. & Mrs. Troy
Knox, Mr. & Mrs. Gary
Linderman, Mr. & Mrs.
Giles, Ronald

In Honor of Lara Dushkewich
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Farina, Steve*
Barker, Tina

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In Honor of Mighty Moose Hockey, Inc.  
Wang, Jinqing

In Honor of Miner Street Properties - Andy Ferguson  
Megill Realty Group, Inc.

In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Greaser  
Ferguson, Andrea

In Honor of Sue Atwell  
Clark, Mia

In Honor of Susan and Kelly Meyr  
Meyr, Scott

In Honor of the Mille/Doherty Family  
Doherty, Dee

In Honor of Venture Programs  
Dlug, Michael

In Honor of Angela Brown  
Marzullo, Mary Ellen

In Honor of Anita Gordon  
Gordon, Jill

In Honor of Brian Petty  
Petty, Deborah

In Memory of Clayton James Weigal  
Weigel, Mr. & Mrs. Nancy

In Memory of Joan Brown  
Swarm, Dolores

In Memory of Marvin B. Scott and Niccole Wideman-Muhammad  
Wideman-Scott, Dolly

In Memory of Theresa Paradiso  
Langr, Nancy  
Farina, Dr. Steve*

In Memory of Katherine Blumberg  
The Estate of Katherine Blumberg

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DVCCC CEO, Dr. Dolly Wideman-Scott, celebrated 25 years with DVCCC in 2021 and the team had a bench installed in her honor.

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Lara Dushkewich, a long-time volunteer and board member, won the 2020 Governor’s Victim Service Pathfinder Award for her work with DVCCC.
### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER OF CHESTER COUNTY

**Statements of Activities**

**Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020**

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<th>REVENUE AND SUPPORT</th>
<th>2021</th>
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<td>$686,600</td>
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<td>Government Grants</td>
<td>2,379,132</td>
<td>1,943,724</td>
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<td>Special Events, net of expense</td>
<td>36,206</td>
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<td>Client service fees</td>
<td>1,685</td>
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<td>Investment income</td>
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<td>Rental income</td>
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<td>Change in value of beneficial interest in assets held by community foundation</td>
<td>42,084</td>
<td>433</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td><strong>Total revenue and support</strong></td>
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<td>Management and general</td>
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<td><strong>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS BEFORE OTHER CHANGES</strong></td>
<td>2,934,870</td>
<td>2,725,541</td>
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| PAYROLL PROTECTION PROGRAM LOAN FORGIVENESS      | 271,739  | 0        |
| INSURANCE PROCEEDS                               | 42,037   | 0        |
| UNCOLLECTIBLE PLEDGES                           | (10,825) | 0        |
| **CHANGE IN NET ASSETS**                        | 599,604  | 77,859   |

### NET ASSETS

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<td>End of Year</td>
<td>$4,341,612</td>
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DVCCC received an unmodified opinion from our auditors, BBD, LLP. Complete audited financial statements are available upon request.