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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.

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.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

CELEBRATING HOPE & HEALING

'DVCCC saved me from a horrible situation. Because of all the wonderful people who work at DVCCC, I was able to start a new life, have hope and be happy again. I am forever grateful to you."

- Anonymous Survivor

Our commitment to survivors is to be a constant source of strong support and to provide programs and services to help facilitate healing, a lifelong process by providing:

- 24-hour hotline which provides rapid crisis intervention.
- Trauma informed care offers survivors a chance to rebuild the connections and trust that were fractured by abuse and betrayal.
- Legal interventions that promote domestic violence offender accountability and help to ensure survivor safety.
- Emergency shelter and other housing programs that prevent homelessness for survivors and children.

While we recognize that we have more to do, we celebrate the progress that has been made to address and end domestic violence and connect with others working to create change:

- We celebrated our 10 -year implementation of the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), an evidenced based program. The LAP promotes a coordinated community response with law enforcement which connects victims with domestic violence services who are at the highest risk of being killed.
- We celebrated the renewal of a grant to continue for five years the implementation of the Coaching Boys Into Men (CBIM) evidenced based program. The CBIM instructs high school coaches on how to incorporate themes associated with teamwork, integrity, fair play, and gender based respect into their daily practice and routine.
- We celebrated being one of three organizations in the Philadelphia region to receive a \$100,000 unrestricted Impact100 Philadelphia high-impact grant to address our unmet needs.

We celebrate you, our phenomenal partners - individuals, businesses, organizations, volunteers, communities of faith, foundations, private and public funders - for your ongoing generosity, engagement, and care to inspire hope for a violence free community.

Dr. Dolly Wideman-Scott Chief Executive Officer

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When I first stepped into the shelter at the DVCCC, I didn't know what to expect. I was scared, beaten down, in recovery from substance abuse with no desire to fight. I truly believed every negative thing my abuser said. I had lost my voice.

Working with DVCCC, I was given an opportunity to change my life. I began to heal and let go of the past. I was finally free from people who had made me feel my worst.

My growth only continued once I left the shelter and continued with independent housing. I have learned it's never too late to go after your dreams.

NEVER ALLOW
SOMEONE TO TELL
YOU YOU CAN'T DO
SOMETHING,
BECAUSE YOU CAN.

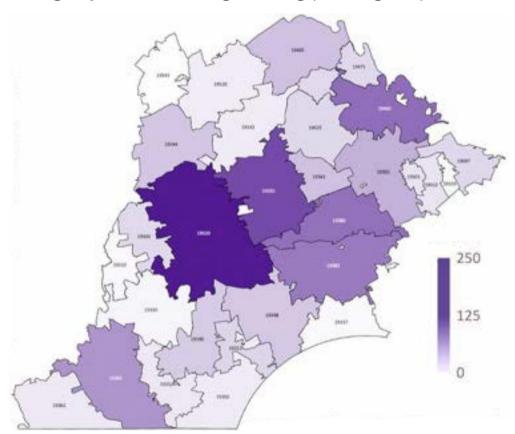
I appreciate all the experiences I had, lessons I learned, and support I had throughout this journey and I promise I will steer other lost souls toward the light that is the DVCCC.



DIRECT SERVICES

HOTLINE, HOUSING, COUNSELING, AND LEGAL DEPARTMENT EFFORTS

DVCCC's Counseling Department is a lifeline, offering 24/7 support through a hotline, in-person, and virtual counseling, including specialized groups. With a licensed therapist and children's counselor, we facilitated six support groups and supported 130 families through our Adopt-a-Family Program in 2022-2023. An ARPA grant allowed us to hire a full-time Case Manager, enhancing services for our Emergency Shelter and Bridge Housing, providing comprehensive care for survivors.



DVCCC's Legal Department consists of three staff attorneys and several legal advocates who are instrumental in providing legal representation and court accompaniment services as well as legal advice and advocacy. In 2022-2023. our attornevs represented over 450 clients in PFA court. The legal team, supported hundreds of additional clients - through hotlines and inperson meetings - in accessing and navigating essential legal support. The collaboration between the legal and counseling departments strengthens ability to address the diverse needs of our survivors, effectively.

DVCCC TEAM MEMBERS ANSWERED 2,871 HOTLINE CALLS THIS YEAR

Photo (from top): DVCCC staff & board members Light the Night for Hope & Healing in Coatesville for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. DVCCC's service provision is outlined in our annual heat map. Photo (page 1): DVCCC team and board members Light the Night for Hope & Healing in West Chester for Domestic Violence Awareness Month.



1,726 ADULTS & CHILDREN

RECEIVED COUNSELING & LEGAL SERVICES IN 2022-2023

DVCCC's Housing Department is a vital resource, providing emergency and transitional shelter along with independent housing options. With access to on-site counseling and case management, our housing programs empower survivors to transition from crisis to stability, promoting self-sufficiency and fostering a sense of security. DVCCC's dedication to secure housing lays a solid foundation for survivors to rebuild their lives and move forward with confidence.

73 FAMILIES ACCESSED SAFE HOUSING THROUGH ONE OF DVCCC'S PROGRAMS THIS YEAR.



Photos (left from top): The Fund for Women & Girls' Girls' Advisory Board (GAB) visits DVCCC. Staff leadership attends Impact100's grant recipient event. Volunteers and donors give back during Adopt-a-Family's holiday giving program. DVCCC staff and board celebrate the holidays with a dinner for our survivors. Photo (above): Dr. Dolly Wideman-Scott accepts a grant award from GAB



OUTREACH & EDUCATION

COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTION

DVCCC REACHED OVER 1,800 ADULTS AND ATTENDED 28 COMMUNITY-WIDE EVENTS

DVCCC's adult education efforts included tailored training for institutions like Chester County's Health Department, Department of Children, Youth and Families, and Domestic Relations, monthly programming for residents at Gaudenzia's KindredHouse, and collaborations with the Chester County Library System and the West Chester University Honors College.

During Domestic Violence Awareness Month, DVCCC executed impactful grassroots outreach initiatives, including our "Paint the Town Purple" tradition across 11 communities and organizing the first, synchronous, countywide Light the Night for Hope & Healing event in four locations. Notable partnerships for awareness month continued with local coffee shops, police departments, the Brandywine Valley SPCA, and the Chester County Library System.

Photo (above): DVCCC staff, board members, and community partners "paint Coatesville purple" with ribbons for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Photos (right from top): Linette Leister and the Phoenixville Women's White Horse Rugby Club "paint Phoenixville purple" with ribbons for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. DVCCC education staff & the Coatesville Area Senior High (CASH) School SADD club provide educational programming for students at CASH.



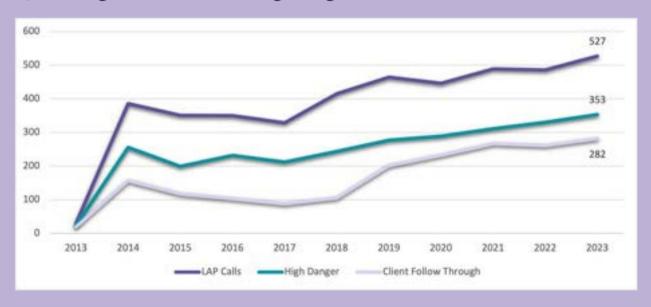




Photo (above): DVCCC's Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) Team celebrated a decade of successful implementation in Chester County with representatives from PCADV, over 20 police departments, and our District Attorney's Office in attendance.

A DECADE OF THE LAP PROGRAM

DVCCC's evidence-based Lethality Assessment (LAP) Program involved local law enforcement using the LAP tool on-site to assess the danger level for domestic violence victims. Immediate connections to DVCCC's hotline were made in cases of increased risk for homicide, ensuring vital support and intervention. DVCCC received a record 527 LAP screens – an over 8% increase from 21-22 and of those calls, a startling 67% screened as in high-danger for homicide.



OVER 79.8% OF CALLERS IN HIGH DANGER MOVED FORWARD WITH DVCCC'S LIFESAVING SERVICES.



DVCCC's Coaching Boys Into Men (CBIM) and Coaching Girls Beyond the Game (CGBG) programs thrived with the addition of Noah, our new program coordinator and this, in addition to our partnership with the Phoenixville Area School District. facilitated significant post-pandemic program regrowth, and the securing of CDC funding which ensures the continuation of these impactful programs for five additional years! Following the season, CBIM athletes were 28% better at identifying abusive behaviors and between 33 - 56% of CGBG participating athletes reported feeling much more comfortable standing up to, helping a friend who may be experiencing, and seeking help for abuse.

DVCCC REACHED OVER 2,750 TEENS WITH PROGRAMMING

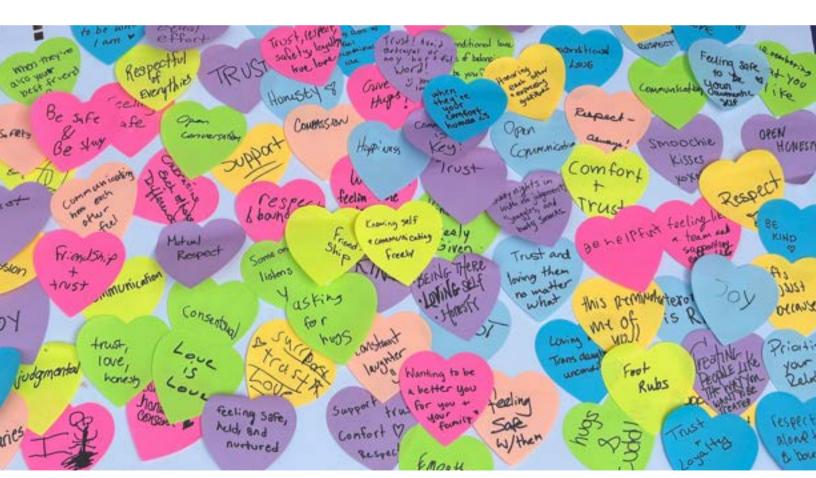
Additionally, DVCCC's internally-developed teen dating violence education program - which helps teens identify unhealthy and abusive relationship behaviors - reached a record number of teens in schools and community youth-serving organizations. Recognizing the increased demand for these youth programs, in both English and Spanish, DVCCC staff began actively seeking funding to find a dedicated full-time staff member in 2023-2024 to further grow and enhance this impactful initiative.

Photos (left from top): DVCCC education team members attend Chester County PrideFest. The DVCCC education team again partnered with the Chester County Office of Mental Health/Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities ID Supports Program team to provide educational programming for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. DVCCC's Director of Education Programs, Amelia Rayburn-Pizzica, was named one of VISTA.Today's 40 Superstars Under 40 for her outreach work. Phoenixville Area High School's Varsity Football Team celebrates completing a season of Coaching Boys Into Men.



66 I'M NOT SURE WHAT MAKES DVCCC SO SPECIAL,

but I think it is the healing and encouraging people who made me feel normal, accepted, and cared for - who allowed me to express my feelings without shame. Your dedication to and acceptance of me has inspired me today and helped me more than I think you'll ever realize. People like those who serve at the DVCCC are rare."



DVCCC's education team staff lead a two-year PCADV-funded prevention initiative in which DVCCC implemented an action plan, developed from the evidence-based Community Readiness Model, to improve the organization's services for and outreach to the LGBTQIA+ community. DVCCC Education and Outreach team members engage with community members at the county's PrideFest in Phoenixville with the question: "What does healthy love look like to you?" These are the responses.

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Photos above, clockwise from top, Vibe Vault Fit and Joanne Caufield, of Más Mexicali Cantina in West Chester hosted the Vibe Vault's anniversary Happy Hour event as a fundraiser for DVCCC. The Colonial Theatre in Phoenixville hosted an educational screening of the 1944 film, "Gaslight." DVCCC staff and board members enjoy a Pints with a Purpose Happy Hour at Locust Lane Craft Brewery. DVCCC had awareness coffee cup sleeves at Saxbys West Chester University for the first in an ongoing, annual October partnership.

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Photos above, clockwise from top, DVCCC staff join local and county leaders and community members as we Light the Night for Domestic Violence Awareness Month at the Tree of Hope & Healing in Kennett Square. DVCCC staff celebrate Domestic Violence Awareness Night at the Philadelphia Phillies' Game with a table of DVCCC materials & resources. West Chester University's Human Resources club organized a fundraising and open education event on campus. Chester County Sheriff Fredda Maddox helped coordinate the Pedals with Petals bicycle art installation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month at DVCCC's Phoenixville office space.

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Photos above, clockwise from top, LCH & DVCCC attend community events in Southern Chester County, together! Volunteers from Vanguard support a project to put together and set up new furniture in our shelter bedrooms. DVCCC staff give pups at the Brandywine Valley SPCA's West Chester shelter some purple bandanas as part of an awareness partnership. Volunteers, in an effort lead by local high school student, Lourdes, "paint Parkesburg Purple" for the first time as part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

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Photos above, clockwise from top, Students in Henderson High School's FEMPowerment club "paint West Chester purple" with ribbons as part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The extended family of Annabel Meenan traveled from all around the country for a garden rejuvenation project at our independent housing units in her memory. Volunteers from Main Line Health reorganized our clothing donations into a helpful, streamlined system. Vanguard volunteers supported "painting Malvern purple" with ribbons for Domestic Violence Awareness Month - even in the rain!

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Photos above, clockwise from top, Henderson High School's FEMPowerment Club organize nearby school and walk into town to Paint the Town Purple with DVCCC ribbons for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Maryann Thompson, Bishop Shanahan Art Teacher, has encouraged her students to participate each year in our high school art contest. Dr. Dolly Wideman-Scott receives a generous donation. Students at West Chester University decorate campus with purple ribbons for Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

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Photos above, clockwise from top, Phoenixville High School's Track & Field Team were the first to engage in both Coaching Boys Into Men and Coaching Girls Beyond the Game with a co-ed team! Students at Williamson Trade School participate in a massive grounds project at our housing programs. DVCCC Staff and Board Members join the Chester County Commissioners as they proclaim October Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Chester County. Local high school student and volunteer, Lourdes, organizes Valentines goodie bags for DVCCC shelter residents.

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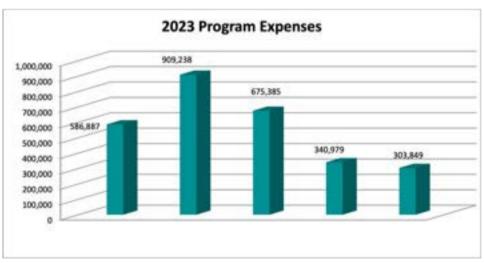
Photo (above): DVCCC staff celebrate significant employment milestones with recognition from the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence. From left, Clara (15 years), Kathleen (20 years), Cindy (30 years), Zeneida, (25 years), Michelle (25 years), Angela (15 years), Amanda (10 years), Not pictured but also recognized, Dr. Dolly Wideman-Scott (40 years), 19

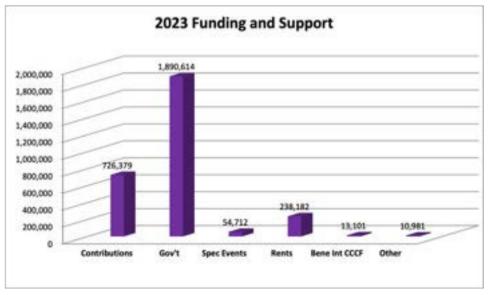
2022-2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER OF CHESTER COUNTY AND SUBSIDIARY Concolidated Statement of Activities Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

REVENUE AND SUPPORT	6/30/2023	6/30/22	EXPENSES		6/30/2023	6/30/22
Contributions	\$726,379	\$721,800	Program service	5	101000000000000000000000000000000000000	***************************************
Government Grants	1,890,614	1,861,145	Adult counseling		506,794	393,138
Special Events, net of expense	54,712	36,121	Children's services		80,093	80,917
Rental income	238,182	205,949	Housing		909,238	1,024,531
Change in value of beneficial			Legal services		675,385	688,677
interest in assets held by			Public education		340,679	357,326
community foundation	13,101	(30,149)		-	2,512,189	2,544,589
Other	10,981	4,461	Support services		17.00000000000	100000000000000000000000000000000000000
Total revenue and support	2,933,969	2,799,327	Management and general Development Total expenses		142,889	195,922
					160,960	146,362
					303,849	342,284
					2,816,038	2,886,873
	CHANGE IN NET ASSETS BEFORE OTHER CHANGES Change in Reporting Entity (Subsidiary)		6/30/2023	6/30/22		
			117,931	(87,546)		
			0	310,869		
	CHANGE IN NE	ET ASSETS	117,931	223,323		
NET ASSETS						
	Beginning of Year		4,564,935	4,341,612		
	End of Year		\$4,682,866	\$4,564,935		

DVCCC received an unmodified opinion from our auditors, BBD, LLP. Complete audited financial statements are available upon request.





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OUR ANNUAL REPORT COVER ART:

"HAND OF HOPE" BY MADELEINE GROUS

IST PLACE WINNER OF DVCCC'S 7TH ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ART CONTEST



Photos (clockwise from left): Bishop Shanahan student, Madeleine Grous and her piece, "A Hand of Hope" took home 1st place at the DVCCC High School Student Art Contest. Our 1st - 3rd place winners pose with DVCCC Board President, Lara Dushkewich, and CEO, Dr. Dolly Wideman-Scott. From left, 3rd place winner, Inés Medina (Bishop Shanahan), 1st place winner, Madeleine Grous, and 2nd place winner, Mia Bell (Henderson High School).

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