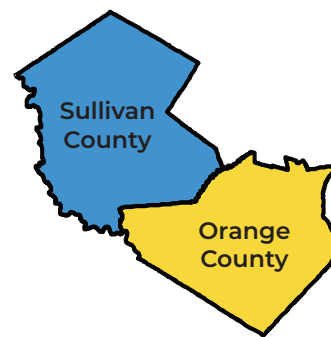


# FEARLESS!

RECLAIMING OUR SAFETY



## 2019 COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT

### – AT A GLANCE –

Confidential services, including shelter, to victims of interpersonal violence, teen dating violence, and human trafficking. Education, outreach, and prevention programs for adults and youth.



**2,582 adults** and **1,809 children** were served through all agency programs in 2019.



**82 adults** and **27 children** accessed **5,419 nights** of safety and services in our emergency shelter's inclusive environment.



New intakes were completed with **473 adults** and **754 children** through our nonresidential programs.



**24,845 Advocacy Services** encompassed the areas of court accompaniment, legal support, law enforcement, medical, mental health, social services, housing, immigration, employment, economic empowerment, and education.



**7,968 Hotline Calls** provided safety planning and access to support services and resources.



**9,421 Supportive Counseling Services** to individual victims and survivors, creating **5,110 individualized Safety Plans**.



**2 Pets** were sheltered through our partnership with the **Warwick Valley Humane Society** for a total of **14 nights** of safety.



Our **Housing First Program**, in collaboration with **HONOR**, remained at capacity and supported **6 adult clients** and their **8 children** with **797 supportive case management and advocacy services** and **139 home visits**.



**163 referrals** for our **Therapeutic Counseling Program** provided counseling to **122 individuals** with **744 sessions** provided.



Fearless! advocates co-located within **Child Protective Services (CPS)** in Goshen and Newburgh worked collaboratively with CPS on **596 cases** involving indicators of domestic violence and reported child abuse. They provided services and information to **338 individuals** and conducted **331 joint visits** within the home and community.



The **Domestic Violence Liaison (DVL)** conducted **242 DV assessments** for individuals seeking **Department of Social Services (DSS)** assistance and provided **230 waivers** to enable survivors to safely comply with DSS requirements. The DVL connected **189 individuals** with Fearless! for ongoing services and support.



Co-located within the **OC District Attorney's Office**, the **District Attorney Domestic Violence Advocate** and **Crime Victim Case Manager** assisted on **41 grand jury cases**, received **33 referrals** for Fearless! services, provided **363 crime victims** with information and referrals, assisted **209 individuals** with personal advocacy, and provided emotional support to **203 individuals**.



**Legal Services of the Hudson Valley** handled **641 cases** through referral on behalf of **356 clients**, impacting **1,837 household members**, for family offense, custody, visitation, child support, and victim-related immigration matters.



**162 Presentations** reached **1,878 adults**, raising awareness about the complex dynamics and impact of intimate partner violence, stalking, technology safety, human trafficking, the impact of domestic violence on children, and domestic violence in the workplace.



**461 Age-appropriate presentations** reached **7,385 youth** on topics including abusive versus healthy relationships, physical and online bullying, sexism, consent, bystander intervention, dating violence, human trafficking, systems of oppression, cultural competency and related themes.



The **Safe Harbour: NY** program, funded through the **New York State Office of Children and Family Services**, supports counties in developing their capacity to identify youth who have been trafficked, sexually exploited, or are at risk of victimization and to meet identified service needs of these youth. The **Orange County Safe Harbor Program**, a collaboration with **Orange County DSS, Fearless!**, and **HONOR**, received **72 referrals** for youth and provided **103 youth** with services, including safety planning, individual support, case management, and referrals to service. In partnership with the **Sullivan County Department of Health and Family Services**, Fearless! launched the **Safe Harbor Program in Sullivan County** in July 2019 and received **13 referrals** for youth and provided **12 youth** with services.

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# RISK REDUCTION RESPONSE PROGRAM



Created in 2016, the **Fearless! Risk Reduction Response Program** (RRRP) began in the City of Newburgh and within four years expanded to the City of Port Jervis, City of Middletown, and Town of Newburgh. The RRRP is a multi-disciplinary approach to high-risk intimate partner violence (IPV) cases that identifies victims at risk of re-assault and/or lethality and is centered around enhancing victim safety and ensuring offender accountability. The program is based upon work by Jacquelyn C. Campbell, PhD, RN, FAAN, a national leader in research and advocacy policy in the field of IPV and creator of **The Danger Assessment**.

The three critical elements of the RRRP are the **co-location** of Fearless! advocates within the four police departments, the **initial assessment** conducted by law enforcement on scene of all domestic incidents involving former or current intimate partners, and the **call placed by law enforcement** at the time of the incident to the Fearless! 24-hour hotline. The opportunity to connect victims at that crucial moment with information, safety planning, and referrals so that they can make the most informed decisions about their safety and needs allows victims to know they have options as they move forward.

In partnership with the **Orange County District Attorney's Office** and **Orange County Probation**, the RRRP then works collaboratively to monitor high-risk cases as they navigate through the criminal justice process. On-going communication around orders of protection, changes in safety, and additional incidents is vital to ensure all partners are working from the most informed place at all times and with victim safety as the top priority.

The RRRP originally launched in the **City of Newburgh** with funding from the **NYS Office for Prevention of Domestic Violence** (OPDV). Expanding to three additional jurisdictions has been made possible by additional funding and support from the **Federal Office on Violence Against Women** (OVW) **S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program**, the **NYS Office for Victim Services** (OVS), and the **Orange County Department of Social Services**.

	Newburgh (City)	Newburgh (Town)	Port Jervis	Middletown
# of High Risk Cases	349	102	73	158
# of DIRs Reviewed	792	257	301	473
# of Joint Home Visits	254	16	62	103

**Surviving interpersonal violence can be a daunting, unrelenting journey.** We recognize the incredible strength of victims and survivors attempting to access safety and connecting with Fearless! for support.



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