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News and Updates from Turning Point of Lehigh Valley

HAPPY NEW YEAR



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of Lehigh Valley



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Turning Point of Lehigh Valley, Inc.
444 East Susquehanna Street
Allentown, PA 18103

ANNUAL REPORT

2018-2019

Empowering survivors of domestic and
intimate partner abuse for 41 years.

OUR MISSION IS TO:

Eliminate domestic and intimate
partner abuse in the Lehigh Valley
through empowerment, education,
and engagement.

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We are so grateful for...



... our incredible, faithful volunteers



... community leaders sharing their time



... and generous corporations supporting our work.

FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT

Last year, one in four women and one in seven men in the United States experienced severe physical violence by an intimate partner, according to the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence. One hundred twenty-two individuals died from domestic violence in Pennsylvania, and the lives of family members, friends, co-workers and community members were forever changed. These numbers are haunting. Yet every day at Turning Point of Lehigh Valley, we are reminded by survivors, donors, volunteers and dedicated staff that there are many reasons for hope.

At our annual vigil in October, "Let your Light Shine: A Community of Hope Ignited to Stop Domestic Violence," one individual shared her survival story publicly for the first time. She was eloquent, courageous and full of hope for a better life. In September, several survivors participated in an art and photography exhibit, "Rising Above," in partnership with the Fine Art Galleries of Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center. For some, this was the first time they had the opportunity to share their work and their survivor story. It was heart-wrenching and heart-warming, yet filled with hope.

This year, as Turning Point's staff and board develop our strategic plan that will drive our work for the next two years, we are determined to couple hope with action to bring us closer to achieving our mission. We have committed ourselves to using best practices and evidence-based strategies whenever possible to ensure delivery of the highest quality services. We will continue to nurture a culture of excellence in all that we do as we work to eliminate domestic violence in the Lehigh Valley through empowerment, education and engagement.

As I complete my term as president, I warmly welcome Lisa Pammer to this position. I know that she will lead Turning Point forward in a spirit of hope coupled with action, supported by the board, staff, volunteers and generous donors.

- Joan Marcus



We are a member in good standing of the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence.



We are a partner agency of the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley.

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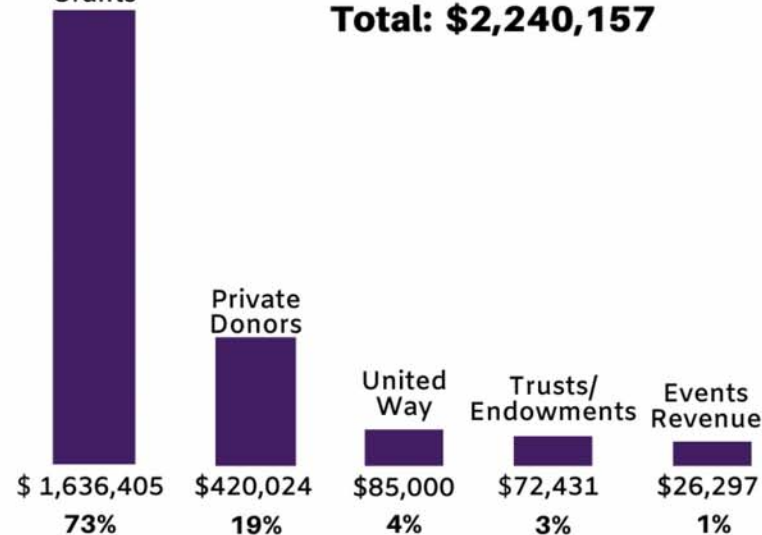
Have You Heard About Our New Programs?

In August 2018, our counseling team developed and implemented our new Healing Arts & Music Program in partnership with ArtsQuest, Banana Factory, and the Baum School of Art. This program was made possible by funding through Two Rivers Health & Wellness Foundation. Through this amazing program, survivors find a way to express their feelings, manage stress, develop healthy coping skills, and find their hidden talents through art and music.

"Art & crafts relaxes me when I feel things are out of control or just to find a peace of mind; it allows me to feel like a child again." ~ Current Client

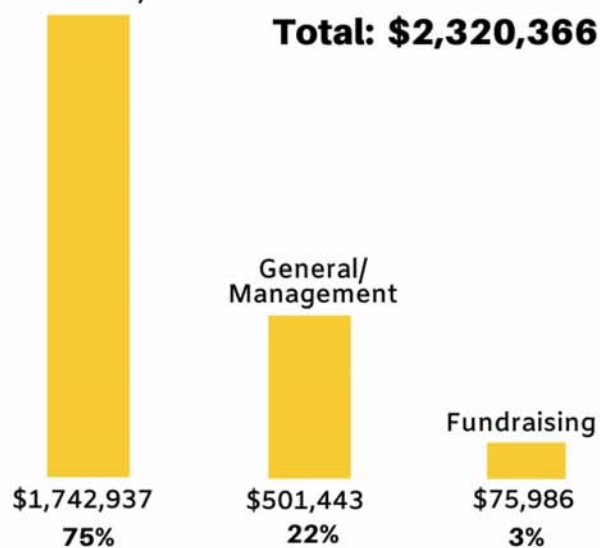
In 2019, Equi-librium was awarded a grant from Lehigh Valley Community Foundation to develop a partnership with Turning Point to create the New Path Forward program. Equi-Librium's Therapeutic Horsemanship Center provides an eight-week program for adults and children impacted by domestic and intimate partner abuse. This program incorporates equine-human interaction that assists program participants in developing life skills, trust, assertiveness, communication skills, and facilitates the discovery of their strength and inner-power.

Government Grants



REVENUES
Total: \$2,240,157

Program Delivery



EXPENSES
Total: \$2,320,366

SOME OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED LAST YEAR BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

8,229 nights of emergency shelter provided.
4,000+ nights of shelter provided for children.

8,476 hours of individual counseling,
group counseling and advocacy provided.

4,647 people reached through
prevention programs.

4,000 people reached through awareness programs.

1,557
hotline calls
received.

131
individuals
with disabilities
served.

2,579
new
individuals
served.



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