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Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Annual Report 2013

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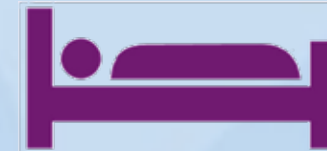
Ahimsa House	Harmony House	Salvation Army Safe House
Beverly Cunningham Outreach Program	Haven House	Securus House
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Circle of Hope	North Georgia Mountain Crisis Network	Spalding County Sheriff's Department
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Colquitt County Serenity House	Northwest Georgia Family Crisis Center	Tapestri, Inc.
Columbus Alliance for Battered Women	Partnership Against Domestic Violence	Tri-County Protective Agency
Community Welcome House	Peace Place	United 4 Safety
Crisis Line and Safe House of Central Georgia	Polk County Women's Shelter	Wayne County Protective Agency
DeKalb County Solicitor's Office	Project Safe	Women in Need of God's Shelter (WINGS)
F.A.I.T.H., Inc.	Promise Place	Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence
Family Crisis Center of WDCC	Raksha	YWCA of Northwest Georgia
Forsyth County Family Haven	Refugee Family Services	
Gateway House	Ruth's Cottage	
Georgia Commission on Family Violence	S.A.F.E.	
Georgia Latin@s Against Domestic Violence		

Overview of Georgia domestic violence during 2013:

Georgia ranked 12th in the nation for the rate at which women are killed by men.

4,612 victims and children were turned away due to lack of bed space.

GCADV envisions a Georgia free of domestic violence. We **empower** survivors and the programs that serve them, we **educate** the public, and we **advocate** for responsive public policy. Our strength is in numbers, as we **collaborate** throughout Georgia to stop domestic violence.



248,463

Number of bed nights of shelter provided



5,065

Number of community awareness events hosted



29,779

Number of adult and child victims served



58,995

Number of crisis calls answered

O u r M i s s i o n

Collaborate.

GCADV collaborates with domestic violence programs, nonprofit organizations, government agencies, law enforcement, prosecutors, healthcare providers and a wide array of allies to ensure survivor safety and batterers accountable.

The P.E.A.C.H. Collaboration (**Partnership for Equality for Comprehensive Help for Deaf Domestic Violence Survivors**) is a project of GCADV, the Georgia Council for the Hearing Impaired (GACHI), and Tools for Life. The collaboration is working to improve access to safe, comprehensive and responsive, person-centered services for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf Blind, and Late Deafened Georgians who have experienced domestic violence.

GCADV has collaborated for over ten years with the Georgia Commission on Family Violence on the **Georgia Fatality Review Project**. The Project works with Family Violence Task Forces throughout Georgia to examine domestic violence deaths in their local communities, identify gaps in services and make recommendations for change.

Advocate.

GCADV advocates on behalf of survivors with policymakers, championing legislation and systems policies that improve the lives of survivors.

During the 2013 legislative session, GCADV worked with key allies to help **pass Senate Bill 86**, which authorizes law enforcement to arrest perpetrators of family violence on violations of stay-away orders in bond or probation conditions.

GCADV and its constituents **successfully advocated** with state funders and state lawmakers to ensure that key changes to the **state domestic violence funding allocations were implemented** and that funding allocations remained stable.

GCADV mobilized Georgians to call, write, and hold in-person meetings with their members of Congress to advocate for the **reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)**, which was successfully passed and signed into law in 2013.

Educate.

GCADV provides thousands of hours of education and training to advocates, professionals and community members every year.

GCADV's training and education programs **strengthen our state's response to domestic violence** and ensure that victims receive the best advocacy services and community response possible.

GCADV **provided nearly 10,000 hours of education** to more than 3,400 advocates, allies, and community members.

GCADV staff **responded to nearly 1,500 requests for technical assistance**, including requests from domestic violence programs, prosecutors and law enforcement, government agencies, and colleges and universities.

Empower.

GCADV works to empower survivors, their loved ones, community members, faith leaders, and business leaders so that all survivors in Georgia can find support.

GCADV developed a *Domestic Violence in the Workplace Toolkit* for use by domestic violence programs at the local level. This Toolkit includes presentation slides, handouts, exercises, and marketing materials which has **helped improve responses by businesses to their employees experiencing or perpetrating domestic violence**.

Project Connect provides training to the Department of Public Health in the Southwest Health District and three member programs that serve the area - Liberty House of Albany, Ruth's Cottage, and Serenity House. Medical providers are trained to recognize, respond to, and refer patients who present signs of intimate partner violence. Project Connect has **improved the relationship between medical providers and domestic violence programs to increase survivor safety**.

2013 Highlights

National Recognition

- GCADV's Economic Abuse online module was referenced as a tool for state S.T.O.P. VAWA administrators nationwide in the *Economic Security for Survivors Project Guide*.
- GCADV's technical assistance document, *Working with Teens in Shelter*, was included as a resource on Futures Without Violence resource site, *Promising Futures*.
- GCADV staff served as a lead facilitator and on the planning group for the 2012 Women of Color Network Call to Action and Institute in Minneapolis.
- Served as contributor to Economic Security for Survivors project of Wider Opportunities for Women (WOW), an OVW-funded technical assistance provider to state STOP VAWA administrators.

Training

- Trained 140 professionals who work with teens on teen dating violence prevention and intervention.
- Educated 150 staff from colleges and universities on domestic violence and women's health.
- Trained 63 advocates on how to help survivors access child support safely.
- Trained 27 officers on law enforcement response to domestic violence.
- Assisted the Prosecuting Attorneys Council of Georgia in developing a curriculum for law enforcement, prosecutors, and victim-witness assistants.

Technical Assistance

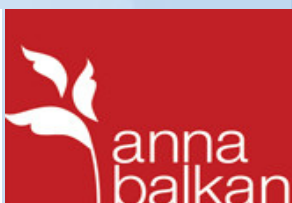
- Provided intensive on-site assistance to domestic violence and child protective services agencies in eight Georgia communities to help develop more collaborative approaches to serving families.
- Provided technical assistance to member programs around culturally specific activities and trainings.

Public Policy and Systems Advocacy

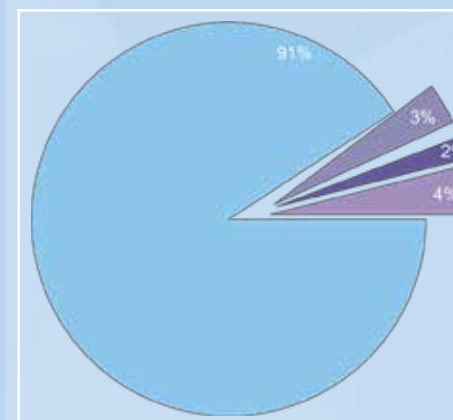
- Successfully advocated with state funders and state lawmakers to improve access to funding for domestic violence programs providing services to underserved and marginalized communities.

Community Outreach and Awareness

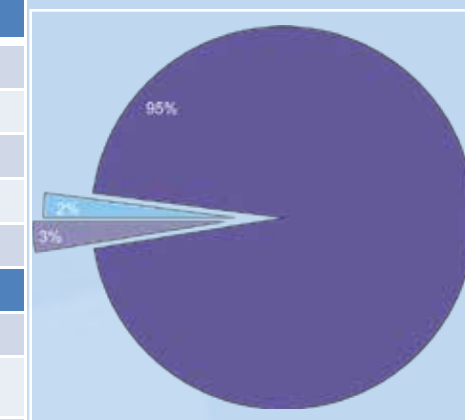
- Distributed almost 20,000 awareness brochures and educational materials across the state.
- Coordinated 23 meetings with local domestic violence task forces to shape responses to domestic violence.
- Conducted teen dating violence awareness activities with 200 youth.



Financials



INCOME		
Source	\$	%
Government	1,174,369	91
Membership	43,952	3
Contributions	23,945	2
Other	51,103	4
EXPENSES		
Program	1,185,302	95
Legislative Advocacy	32,000	3
Admin	25,669	2



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