

ANNUAL REPORT FY 2023-2024



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The mission of HAVIN is to provide supportive services and advocacy for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault as well as their significant others; to increase public awareness; and effect critical changes in public policy in response to domestic violence and sexual assault.

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**TO BE AN ACTIVIST IS TO SPEAK.
TO BE AN ADVOCATE IS TO LISTEN.
SOCIETY CAN'T MOVE FORWARD
WITHOUT BOTH.**

– EVA LEWIS

2023-2024 HIGHLIGHTS

A Note from the Director

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude and admiration for the strength of our community and the resilience of those we serve. Our shelter has been a haven for individuals and families fleeing the devastating effects of domestic violence, providing not only a safe place to rest but also a pathway to healing and empowerment.

In the face of ongoing challenges, our dedicated staff have worked tirelessly to ensure that every person who walks through our doors feels welcomed and supported. Together, we have provided essential services, including crisis intervention, counseling, legal advocacy, and educational workshops. This year, we have witnessed firsthand the transformative power of compassion and understanding, as many of our clients have taken courageous steps toward rebuilding their lives.

Our work is made possible by the unwavering support of our community – donors, partners, Board members, and volunteers who share our commitment to ending domestic violence and sexual assault. Their contributions have allowed us to continue to provide quality services to those in need. Together, we have created a safe environment where survivors can reclaim their voices and find hope for a brighter future.

As we look ahead, we remain steadfast in our mission. We will continue to advocate for systemic changes that address the root causes of domestic and sexual violence and work to raise awareness within our community. We believe that every individual deserves a life free from fear and violence, and we are dedicated to making this a reality.

Thank you for standing with us and for the survivors we serve. Your support empowers us to continue our vital work, and together, we can create a world where everyone feels safe and valued.

With gratitude,
Laurie Johns
Executive Director

How you can help

If you are interested in helping HAVIN, here are just a few ways you can make a difference:

- Financial donation (any amount is appreciated)
- In-Kind donation (we accept new and gently used items at HAVIN's 2nd Chance Shop)
- Building Maintenance (yard work, general maintenance, painting etc.)
- Organize a fundraiser
- Adopt A Family during HAVIN's annual Holiday season gifting
- Volunteer at HAVIN's 2nd Chance Shop sorting and organizing
- Spread the word - follow and share HAVIN's posts on social media
- Educate yourself - learn about the impact of family violence on our community



Kay's Cottage Advocacy Center

During FY 23.24 Kay's Cottage received 171 referrals for services, conducted 160 forensic interviews, referred one forensic interview to an out-of-county CAC and made 35 medical exam referrals. The types of abuse alleged were sexual abuse, physical abuse, neglect, drug endangerment and witness to violence. 28 cases had charges filed against the alleged perpetrator. The multidisciplinary investigative team approach to child abuse investigations in Armstrong County remains strong and continues to be a great, trauma-informed benefit to the children and families that we serve.

In September of 2023, we held our 2nd annual SHINE Walk in downtown Kittanning. We had 114 participants over multiple locations in a strong effort to bring awareness to the community that child sexual abuse does happen in our community. We are "SHINE-ing" light on it and we are showing child victims that they have a support system in Armstrong County.

HAVIN INC FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME		EXPENDITURES	
\$1,248,515		\$1,229,616	
Federal Financial Assistance	\$625,804	<i>Program Services</i>	
State Financial Assistance	\$419,212	Counseling & Shelter	\$823,192
United Way	\$3,071	Training & Education	\$209,533
Donated materials	\$44,086		
Individuals & Businesses	\$131,267	<i>Supporting Services</i>	
HAVIN Foundation Grant	\$25,000	Management & General	\$181,091
Interest Income	\$75	Fundraising	\$15,800
Total	\$1,248,515		\$1,229,616

HAVIN

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Bruce Mathews, President

Erin Butler, Vice President

Karen Brock, Treasurer

Mindy Knappenberger, Secretary

Louise Baker

Audrey Miller

Michelle Young

HAVIN

VOLUNTEERS

NexTier Bank

AHS Leo Club Students

HAVIN's 2nd CHANCE SHOP

VOLUNTEERS

Jocelyn Pawloski

Barb Taylor

Brooke Whitlinger

HAVIN FOUNDATION FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME		EXPENDITURES	
\$227,715		\$205,004	
Special Events	\$28,210	<i>Supporting Services</i>	
HAVIN's 2 nd Chance Shop	\$85,229	Program Services	\$164,368
Rental Income	\$13,200	Management & General	\$29,210
Monetary Donations	\$7,990	Fundraising	\$11,426
In-kind donations	\$66,624		
Miscellaneous Income	\$19		
Net investment income	\$26,426		
Net interest income	\$17		
Total	\$227,715		\$205,004

HAVIN STAFF

Executive Director: **Laurie Johns**

Administrative Assistant: **Melanie Bowser**,

Executive Assistant: **Heather DeMeno**

Counselor/Advocate: **Sara Dosch/Heather Fink**

Counselor/Education Specialist: **Jen Wingard**

Outreach/Education: **Jenn Webb**

Medical Advocate: **Mia Airgood**

CAC Advocate: **Leah Shields**

Shelter Supervisor: **Ami Akins**

Shelter Counselor/Advocate: **Lynzee Stitt**

Shelter Advocates:

Sarah Bureau

Sarah Booher

Summer Davis

Haylea Karns

Shannon Miller

Katie Stump

KAY'S COTTAGE STAFF

Executive Director: **Laurie Johns**,

Kay's Cottage Manager: **Jo Ellen Bowman**

Kay's Cottage Coordinator: **Deana Kirkland**

Forensic Interviewer:

Veronica Manzanilla/Maggie Conte

HAVIN 2nd CHANCE SHOP STAFF

Executive Director: **Laurie Johns**

2nd Chance Shop Manager: **Alice Yanoff**

2nd Chance Shop Cashiers:

Trista Clelland

McKenzie Cogley

Ricci Gillespie

Melissa Hawk

PROGRAM REVIEW

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Counseling:

Clients Served - 661

Counseling Hours - 4573

Shelter:

Shelter Clients - 91

Adult Shelter Nights - 2147

Child Shelter Nights - 1637



Domestic Violence Related Hotline Calls

564



Education/Awareness

Total Programs - 22

Total Reached - 241

Primary Prevention Programs

Total Programs - 130

Total Reached - 1709

Trainings

Total Trainings - 39

Total Reached - 1627

SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES

Counseling:

Clients Served - 356

Counseling Hours - 2975

Sexual Violence Related Hotline Calls

73



Education/Awareness

Total Programs - 63

Total Reached - 908

Primary Prevention Programs

Total Programs - 140

Total Reached - 1909

Trainings

Total Trainings - 23

Total Reached - 333

