

# **2022 GRATITUDE REPORT**

Collaborating to empower survivors to live an independent life, free from abuse.



## TO OUR AMAZING COMMUNITY,

It feels so good to be able to look back at 2022 with great satisfaction and gratitude. Throughout the year we welcomed visitors into our new administrative building, "Sylvia's Place," opened a free boutique for residents, engaged with many of you at events, and celebrated our 40th anniversary!

However, there is still so much more work to be done. Alternatives to Violence remains committed to finding resources, providing safe and clean shelter and being there for survivors 24/7. If 2022 was any indication of what we can accomplish as a community, we will be ready to help those in need.

We are so grateful for each donor, volunteer and business partner that has helped us make a difference in every survivor's life who has come through our door or called our phones. The fundraising events, supply drives, social media engagement and more that you have helped support have been huge contributions. The achievements displayed on these pages are reflections of your assistance and willingness to stand against violence in our community. We appreciate you!

Sincerely,

Kari Clark

**Executive Director** 

#### **OUR MISSION**

Alternatives to Violence provides shelter, advocacy, education and resources for people impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking.

#### **OUR VISION**

Alternatives to Violence envisions a safe community free from domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking.

## **2022 IN NUMBERS**



**656** 

Total number of persons who received advocacy or other services in Non-Residential or SafeHouse programs.



100%

SafeHouse Occupancy Rate

2970

Number of Advocacy sessions



Total number of crisis calls.



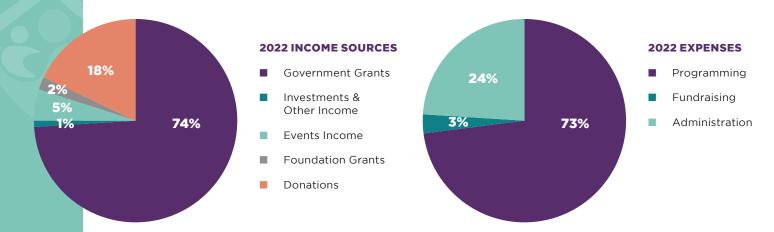
4200

Total volunteer hours donated to ATV



148

Number of children served in SafeHouse or in youth programs



While government grants provide the majority of our funding, government grants alone do not cover all our expenses.

Alternatives to Violence depends upon the generosity of individuals, businesses, foundations, community organizations, and faith-based organizations to fulfill our mission. We are good stewards of the money entrusted in us with 73% of all expenses going directly towards program services.

#### Much gratitude for grants from the following:

Bohemian Foundation Give Next Program

City of Loveland

Colorado Domestic Violence Program

Daniels Fund

El Pomar Foundation

Food Bank of Larimer County

Food Pantry Assistance

Gunnerson Family Foundation

Jorgenson Charitable Trust

Nordson Corporation

Otter Cares Foundation

Philo Foundation

Plante Moran

Realities for Childrer

United Way - Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP)

### **CELEBRATING 40 YEARS!**



#### **PURPLE RIBBON BREAKFAST**

We were excited to commemorate our 40th anniversary at the Purple Ribbon Breakfast on April 26, celebrating with ATV friends at Loveland's Embassy Suites. It was a great opportunity to recognize key people who contributed to ATV's success over the years and important milestones. Pictured above is Kari Clark and Roxie Ellis, co-founder of Alternatives to Violence at the Purple Ribbon Breakfast.



#### **RENEW BOUTIQUE**

The highly-anticipated free boutique for ATV's residential clients opened in November 2022. The boutique provides clients basic needs, plus essential items for when they are ready to leave, like clothes for a job interview. The boutique would not have happened without the endless hours put in by volunteers like Barb Samson and Debbie Johnson (pictured above). Volunteers and donors helped make the space look like an actual retail boutique with new lighting, fresh paint and shelving.



#### **MOVE FOR 40**

To commemorate 40 years, we challenged the community to 'move' 40 miles in 40 days. Participants could choose to walk, hike, bike or swim their 40 miles. With the help of pledges from their families and friends, the virtual program raised nearly \$2,300.

Alternatives to Violence would like to extend gratitude to our staff, volunteers and donors who give their time and generosity to change the lives of hundreds of survivors throughout the year.



#### **CONGRATULATIONS ALICIA!**

Alicia Ortega is a Loveland native, married, and a mother to three children. She started at Alternatives to Violence as an intern and grew into the position of Relief Advocate. She has since been promoted to Domestic Violence Advocate. Alicia is committed to serving her community and helping those who have been impacted by domestic violence, human trafficking, and sexual assault. Alicia has her Bachelor's Degree in Human Development of Family Science from Colorado State University. Currently, she is pursuing a master's degree in Mental Health Counseling at University of Northern Colorado.



#### **VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: RIKI JOHNSTON**

Riki Johnston joined ATV as a volunteer in January of 2021. Her volunteering runs the gamut from going to court as a victim advocate to painting and cleaning in the Renew Boutique. She's so proud to be a part of what ATV does and to help with providing services for clients. Her club, Gamma Chi, helps by contributing clothes and financial support. They all see the need that ATV meets and are happy to help make that happen.

To volunteer at ATV call 970-669-5150.

## SPECIAL THANKS TO COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

ATV is so fortunate to have had so many different volunteer groups throughout the year help fix, clean and donate to our mission.



#### **Pictured above**

Ladies from Loveland Philo put together "Fresh Start" baskets filled with home essentials to help ATV clients get settled in their new homes

## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE FRIENDS OF ATV,

We are honored to serve in a community that supports a vision free from domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. Along with your financial donations, you have volunteered your time and your resources to support our mission. Your contributions have provided safe shelter, food, clothing and comfort for our clients and their children.

We are proud of our clients and the determination they have shown to live a life free from violence. Your generosity provides our staff with the tools and training needed such as, victim advocacy for our clients, education through

support groups and youth programs, resources for housing, mental health and so much more. With your contributions we will continue to provide shelter, advocacy and education to the people of Loveland and our surrounding communities.

From all of us at Alternatives to Violence, thank you!

Lori Gipson, President
Board of Directors

Alternatives to Violence, Inc.

# MUCH GRATITUDE TO OUR BOARD MEMBERS

Lori Gipson, President
Allison Seabeck, Vice President/Treasurer
Pat Parker, Secretary
Yvonne Zack, Director
Trish Will, Director

Marci Fouts, Director

Jeffrey Deaner, Director

Cyndi Sater, Director

Elise Polansky, Director

"Since my daughter and I have been here, we have felt much more safe, valued and in a much better living situation. (ATV) has helped us tremendously with the process of getting us everything we need to get back on our feet."

- 2022 ATV Client



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