FUNDING IS CRUCIAL FOR RAPE CRISIS CENTERS

Rape crisis centers across the country are experiencing severe funding issues.

57% of rape crisis centers responding to the survey experienced an overall decrease in funding during this fiscal year (Almost 2/3).

50% experienced a reduction in staffing (layoffs, positions not filled, positions eliminated).

76% of programs report an increased demand for services this past year.

50% of programs report that survivors of color are the most underserved population.

54% of programs report that survivors who are homeless are the most underserved population.

When rape crisis centers are underfunded, they can’t meet the needs of sexual assault survivors and prevention programs are sidelined.

45% of programs do not have a mental health counselor or therapist on staff.

65% of programs report that their center’s average salary for staff is < $40,000.

Most underserved populations:

The connections you have helped me create has truly saved my life
--NH survivor

This program provided the support and help I needed in my darkest moment. My life was truly changed.
--Colorado survivor

We never went away. Throughout this pandemic, our advocates are essential workers, providing in-person advocacy at hospitals and law enforcement 24/7.
--IA advocate

It’s time to increase funding for rape crisis centers.

Based on a National Alliance to End Sexual Violence 2021 online survey of rape crisis centers