



Celebrating Heroes!

What is a Saving Grace Hero? Saving Grace Heroes are the incredible staff, dedicated volunteers, generous community members, and resilient survivors that take a stand for safety, hope, and healing every day.

With your support, Saving Grace was able to provide survivors with 12,702 individual services in 2021.



At Saving Grace, we see the incredible resilience of survivors day in and day out. Every step of their journey is proof of their strength, determination, and their incredible ability to build new futures after unfathomable trauma and violence. In 2021, we were faced with new challenges and overwhelming needs from our community and survivors. Time and time again, our team of staff, volunteers, and community

partners rose to the occasion and provided lifesaving services to survivors 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Our work is far from over, and the crisis ahead is still daunting for survivors and their families. Therefore, we ask you to join us as we celebrate the incredible Heroes that make our work possible. Help us today by giving to our cause and please join us on May 21st at our Heroes Celebration. **Donations this spring** will be matched thanks to the generosity of **Cascade Wealth Management** and an anonymous donor. Please give generously to ensure Saving Grace can continue to support survivors, no matter what the future brings. Together, we are not only changing lives— we are **saving** lives.

Cassi MacQueen

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Executive Director

Our three interconnected pillars of support — Emergency Services, Supportive Services, and Outreach & Volunteers — are how we're ending the cycle of violence.

Read on to learn the impact of these programs and what your generosity makes possible!



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Emergency Services

During a global pandemic, with rates of domestic violence and lethality rising, access to free and confidential help never meant more. “Home” isn’t safe for everyone which is why our emergency shelter and helpline remains open 24/7! Our expert advocates guided survivors as they called our helpline seeking support, and while navigating our shelter. During this challenging time, our shelter team made countless adjustments to keep families healthy and distanced while staying with us.

+ 3,432 safe nights
spent in our shelter*

+ 40% of residents
were children

+ 2,171 calls
made for support on
our 24-hour helpline

“I remember the day I left shelter. I stood in the shelter manager’s office. I told her that I would be back one day, helping others find hope and empowerment. I want to make a difference. I can’t stop intimate partner violence, sexual assault, stalking, or trafficking, but I can support survivors and give them hope.”

Former shelter resident

*All numbers reflect impact in 2021



Supportive Services



Each survivor's journey is unique and our services bend and flex to match those needs. Our personalized supportive services were used over 12,702 times in 2021 keeping survivors safe, healthy, and stable. With so many added challenges last year, families had a greater need than ever for safe visitation and exchanges, legal advocacy, personalized counseling, and housing support. We proudly offer:

- Bilingual courthouse advocacy
- Virtual support groups
- Personalized case management
- Youth and family services
- Safety planning
- Counseling/therapy services
- A survivor housing program



76 families

152 adults and 120 children received 1,646 safe visits and exchanges at Mary's Place.



\$186,048 distributed through our survivor housing program to pay for critical expenses like rent.



71 survivors received free and confidential counseling/therapy services.

In Tristina's Words

Before Tristina came to Saving Grace, “home” was a car that she shared with her abuser and their child. He controlled everything: when she ate, who she talked to, and when she could change her clothes. When something went wrong, she and her daughter were forced to sleep miles out of town on bare land with only the clothes he scattered along the dirt road as their shelter.

When child protective services came to take her daughter, law enforcement also connected Tristina to Saving Grace and in her own words;

“This moment changed my family’s life FOREVER.”

“After some time at the Saving Grace shelter, the emotional weight I’d been carrying for years began to lift. For the first time in ages, I was free to exist without judgement. I finally started to feel like my life mattered. My advocate supported me through the emotional roller coaster that is surviving abuse, and even though I was ‘safe’ I was still emotionally empty. I didn’t know how to live without being told what to do. It had been so long since I had made decisions on my own, but Saving Grace helped me feel that the choices I was making were positive ones for myself and my family.”

“It has been 5 ½ years since I was at shelter, and my children are back with me in a home I own. My abuser spent many years incarcerated, but never for the abuse he did to me. I have learned how to heal without that accountability piece. I have continued to give hope and help empower many survivors, and that makes what I survived through worth it.”

“There is light and hope.”

“Saving Grace helped me find that.”



“The advocates at Saving Grace helped me change my life and heal after years of abuse.

They helped me navigate the world of Child Protective Services, never blamed me for losing myself or the custody of my child and eventually helped me get my child back.”

Tristina, survivor and former client of Saving Grace




Outreach & Volunteers

Our dream is to create a world without intimate partner violence, sexual assault and stalking and we work towards this everyday through all our programs in our communities. Saving Grace has advocate offices throughout the tri-county area in Madras, Prineville, Redmond, Bend and La Pine and education is happening in every community to help stop abuse before it happens. Volunteers support every facet of our work: on our helpline, in our offices, at shelter and at our fundraising events to help make this important work possible.

“Volunteering with Saving Grace is one of the most rewarding parts of my life. It’s amazing to witness the strength of survivors and know that we can be a resource and a comfort to them in their darkest hours. I also love watching them show up for one another. Healing from abuse is hard enough — no one should have to do it alone.”

Andrea Wickberg, Volunteer

 **219 survivors** were served in our rural offices (Madras, Redmond, Prineville, and La Pine)

 **48 volunteers** gave 5,660 Hours to Saving Grace in 2021

Financial Snapshot

We were able to help 961 survivors move toward safety, hope and healing last year because of the community's generous support.

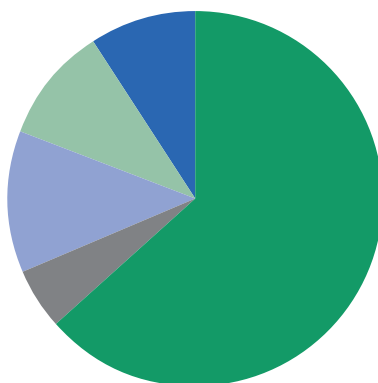
Thank you for making this possible!

2020-2021 fiscal year

Expense

- Program Expenses: 63.52%
- Emergency Services: 5.17%
(Emergency transportation, motel stays, merchandise cards, shelter food, etc)
- Survivor Housing Program: 12.15%
(including Housing Coordinator)
- Administration Expenses: 10.23%
- Fundraising Expenses: 8.92%

Total: \$2,569,625

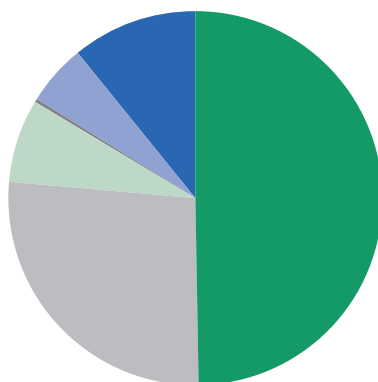


Revenue

- Federal : 43.99%
- State & Local: 23.56%
- Private Grants: 6.31%
- United Way: 0.27%
- Special Events: 4.69%
- Donations: 9.33%

Total: \$2,644,674

(Assets: \$355,182)



There are many ways to support Saving Grace, including monthly giving, planned and legacy giving, IRA distributions, gifts of stock, and hosting donation drives. Contact Shannon Ries at Shannon.r@saving-grace.org or 541-382-9227 to learn more!

Message from a Saving Grace donor

"I dream of safety, hope and healing for all Central Oregonians; of making this world a safer place for my children. I believe Saving Grace works every day to make my dream a reality and that's why I give and will continue to support the mission of Saving Grace."

You Are Invited!

Saving Grace Heroes Celebration 2022

Saturday, May 21 | 11 a.m – 1 p.m. | Riverbend Park



Join us in celebrating safety, hope, and healing! This fun, family-friendly event is **FREE** to attend.

Directly following the Happy Girls Run.

Live band, food, and drinks.

Happy Girls Run coupon code

Want to support Saving Grace and join in the Happy Girls Run?
Use discount code **HERO2022** and receive \$20 off the event of your choice.



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