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ANNUAL REPORT

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for every child and family in our community.





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## Dear Friends,

As I reflect on the past year at Project Harmony, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you who has supported Project Harmony's mission to combat child abuse and neglect. Your unwavering commitment to our cause has made a profound difference in the lives of thousands of children in our community.

In 2023, we continued to witness the reality that child abuse and neglect persist as a pressing public health issue. Moreover, the rise in children's online activity has exposed them to heightened risks of technology-facilitated violence, sexual exploitation, and abuse.

Despite these challenges, over 6,500 children found the courage to use their voice and share what they had endured—a testament to their resilience and the importance of our work.

Our team remains dedicated to providing a safe place for these vulnerable children, offering them hope, healing, and a pathway to a brighter future. With your support, we've been able to extend our reach even further through initiatives like our Connections program, which proactively served an additional 1,700 children and families in need of mental health care.

None of this would be possible without the collaboration of 100 mental health providers, educators, counselors, mentors, law enforcement officers, social workers and advocates who stand alongside us in this crucial endeavor. Your collective efforts embody the spirit of community and demonstrate the profound impact we can achieve when we work together.

Looking ahead, we are excited to announce significant expansions in our services, including our efforts to combat the trafficking of missing youth—a critical issue that demands our urgent attention. With new grants and partnerships on the horizon, we are poised to make an even greater impact in the years to come.

One such milestone is our designation as a National Child Traumatic Stress Network Category III provider—a recognition of our commitment to providing evidence-based, trauma-informed care to youth and families. This achievement not only elevates our standard of care but also positions us as leaders in the field on a national level.

As we embark on this journey forward, we are filled with gratitude for your continued support and dedication to our mission. Together, we can create a world where every child feels safe, supported, and empowered to thrive.

With heartfelt thanks,



**Gene Klein, LCSW**  
Executive Director



# Impact by Numbers

Last year, Project Harmony served 8,560 children and families, each facing various challenges. The children we served were as diverse as their challenges.

More than half of these children were girls (57.5%), and 33% aged 7–12 years old. The majority, close to 73%, were from Douglas County. Our collaboration with numerous professionals and agencies - law enforcement, child protective services, legal authorities, and medical staff - was crucial in helping us amplify our impact.

**We are grateful for your support and partnership in our work.** Together, we can make a difference in the lives of children and families in our community.

**8,560**

Children and families impacted through our response and prevention services in 2023.

**+6.1% from 2022**



## Race of Children Served



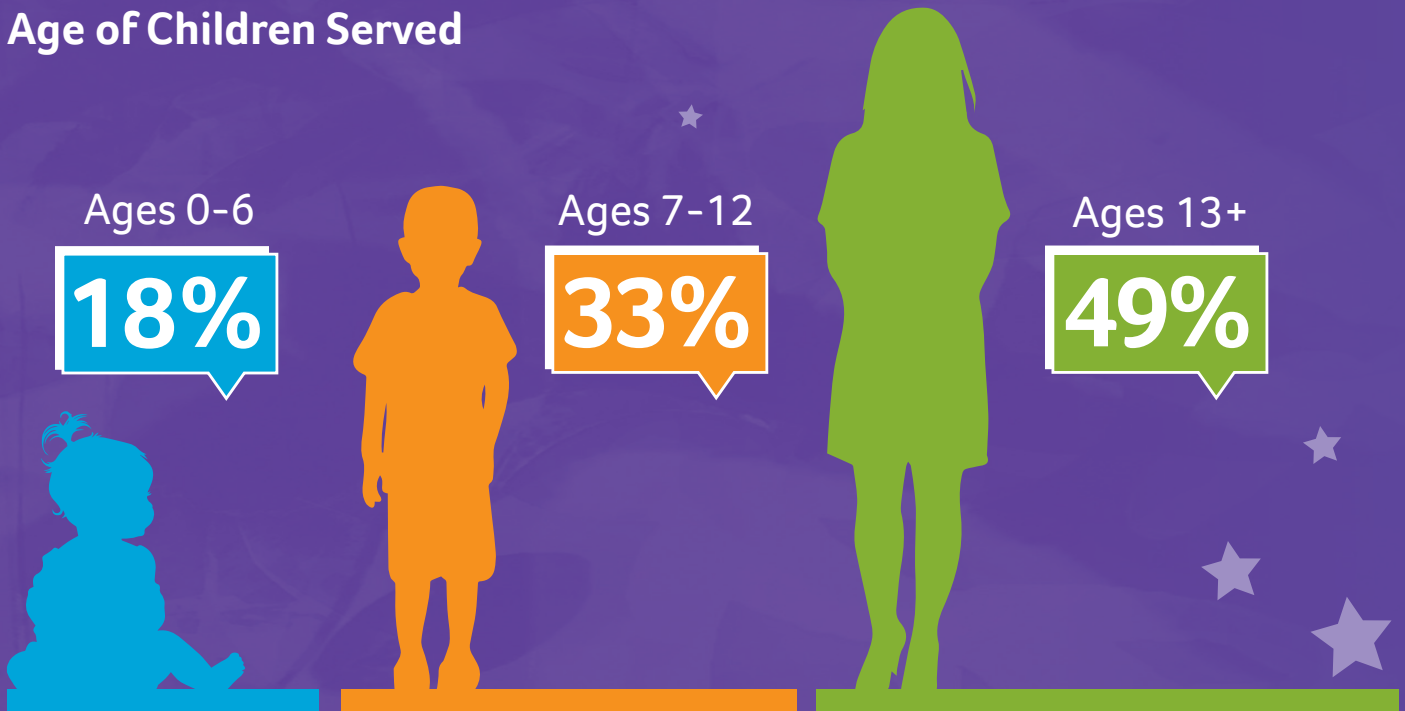
## Gender of Children Served



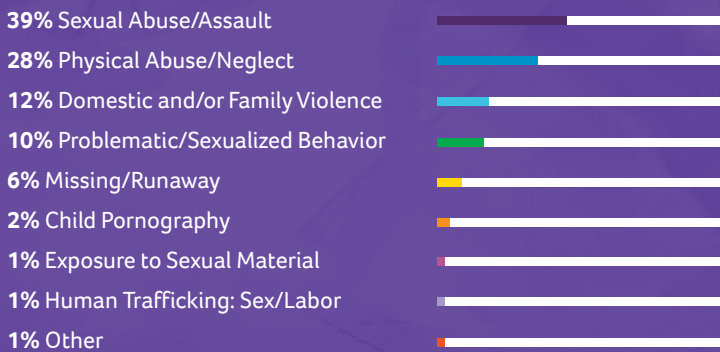
## Ethnicity of Children Served



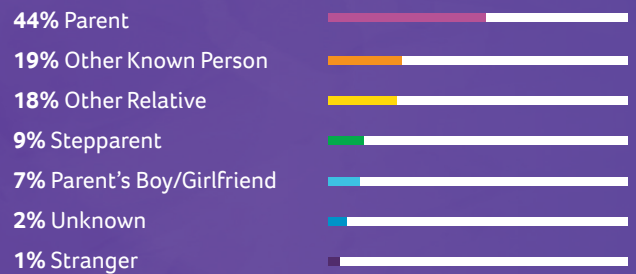
## Age of Children Served



### Intakes of Type of Abuse



### Child's Relationship to Alleged Perpetrator



**6,316** Number of Advocacy Sessions  
 -7.5% from 2022 (6,829)

**1,833** Number of Forensic Interviews  
 +1.2% from 2022 (1,811)

**1,385** Number of Medical Exams  
 +3.9% from 2022 (1,332)

**189** Number of Multidisciplinary Team Meetings  
 +4.4% from 2022 (181)

**354** Number of Unique Youth Received Mental Health Sessions  
 +16.4% from 2022 (304)

**286** Missing & Anti-Trafficking Youth Services Provided  
 +68% from 2022 (170)

### DID YOU KNOW?

**1 in 10** children are sexually abused before their 18th birthday.

## People Served by County

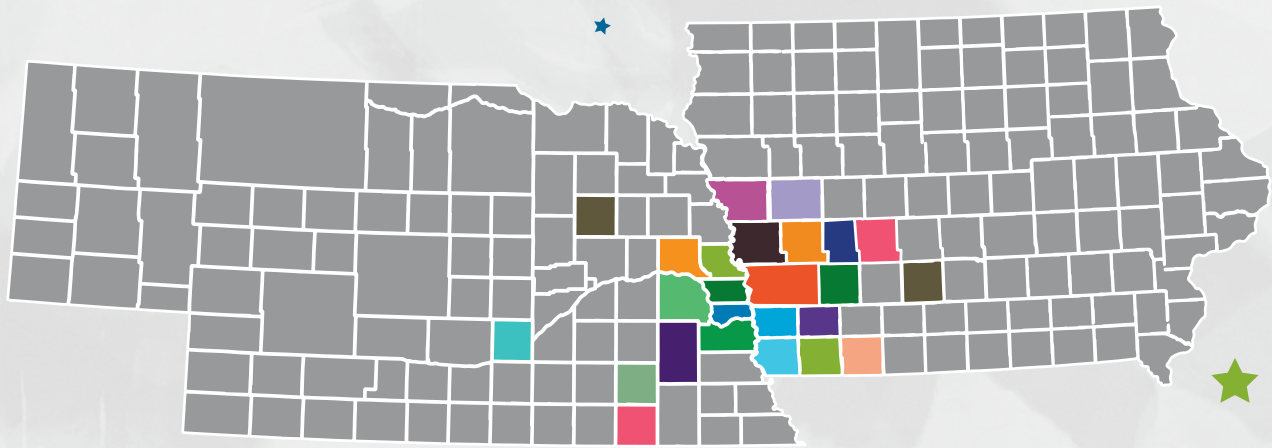
### NEBRASKA

<b>72.08%</b> Douglas	<b>0.13%</b> Hall
<b>10.85%</b> Sarpy	<b>0.11%</b> Jefferson
<b>3.48%</b> Dodge	<b>0.11%</b> Madison
<b>1.03%</b> Washington	<b>0.11%</b> Saline
<b>1.01%</b> Cass (NE)	
<b>0.49%</b> Saunders	
<b>0.24%</b> Lancaster	

### IOWA

<b>4.81%</b> Pottawattamie	<b>0.32%</b> Mills
<b>0.97%</b> Harrison	<b>0.24%</b> Crawford
<b>0.84%</b> Shelby	<b>0.24%</b> Audubon
<b>0.58%</b> Montgomery	<b>0.17%</b> Taylor
<b>0.52%</b> Page	<b>0.11%</b> Guthrie
<b>0.43%</b> Fremont	<b>0.11%</b> Monona
<b>0.34%</b> Cass (IA)	

Not listed: Remaining counties served equaling less than 0.1%



# People and Culture

**Project Harmony has deliberately focused on addressing the growing mental health needs of the youth in our community.** As these needs become more prevalent, we've adopted innovative approaches to tackle them head-on. One proactive initiative involves cultivating a pipeline within our community for students interested in helping youth and families facing mental health challenges.

To support this pipeline, we've established several educational pathways within Project Harmony designed for students pursuing degrees related to providing mental health support in our communities. Furthermore, we have expanded our network and collaboration with colleges and organizations throughout the Midwest.

These efforts demonstrate Project Harmony's commitment to not only addressing the immediate mental health needs of our youth but also investing in the future of mental health care in our community. By encouraging and supporting students who are passionate about this field, we are helping to ensure that there will be a strong network of qualified professionals available to provide the necessary support and resources for years to come.







**119** Project Harmony employees in 2023.

**14** Interns/practicum students throughout the year.

★ Another notable effort deserving recognition is our Employee Engagement Committee's endeavors to acknowledge and appreciate the hard work of all our staff members. Our internal reward program, the Circle of Stars, aligns with our organization's values and mission. In response to feedback, the committee has initiated an engagement survey, aimed to gather more insights directly from our employees.

Moreover, our deliberate focus on onboarding ensures that new hires quickly acclimate to our campus, culture, and their roles. This process is crucial for fostering a positive cultural immersion.

During the first year, we offer targeted training programs tailored to each team, regular check-ins with various leaders, including the Executive Director and Senior Director of People and Culture, and opportunities for feedback through surveys. ★

Additionally, after six months, new hires participated in a breakfast with the Executive Team and attend a comprehensive workshop on Emergenetics. This workshop emphasizes leveraging diverse thinking and behavior to enhance their contributions to Project Harmony's mission. ★



# Empowering Through Education:

## Project Harmony Training Institute's Widespread Impact

In 2023, the Project Harmony Training Institute reached new heights, Participants in our trainings completed 20,900 training interactions. Innovative formats like microlearning modules, asynchronous courses, and virtual sessions accommodated various learning styles.

**Attendees praised the engaging facilitation, fresh perspectives, and practical relevance of the training content.** Highlights included sessions on culture and diversity, trauma and resilience, and effective presentation skills.

# 20,900

Individual completed trainings  
from **45 states** and **37 countries**.



**DID YOU KNOW?**

**3.3 MILLION** children witness domestic violence in their homes each year.



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Jon was an exceptional presenter. **His skills made complex topics accessible,** and the takeaways were immediately applicable to my work. - *Training Attendee*

A major milestone was the launch of the Hope Champions Network (HCN) that teaches champions across professions hope science. Hope is the best predictor of future well-being. Champions can maintain hope in themselves while building it in others. Since the inaugural “HCN Train the Trainer” training held in Milford, Nebraska, in May, we have empowered 182 Hope Champions. Subsequently, **between May and December, these champions cascaded their knowledge, training 645 individuals** and amplifying the impact of the initiative far beyond our initial reach.



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Javier’s facilitation was top-notch. **He brought fresh cultural perspectives** that really opened my eyes to new ways of thinking about diversity. - *Jessica P., Training Attendee*

**Through collaboration, innovation, and commitment to its mission, Project Harmony continues to empower communities worldwide with vital education and skills to create healthier environments, especially for children and families affected by maltreatment.**

# Connections

## Empowering Children and Families: Project Harmony's Connections Program

Project Harmony's Connections Program reached a significant milestone by providing 8,270 individual therapy sessions and 83 groups. This highlights our ongoing commitment to addressing the mental health needs of children and families in the community.

During the fall, we introduced the **Connect to Wellness portal**, developed through a collaboration between the Project Harmony Training Institute, UNO School of Psychology students, and Connections Staff. The online, self-paced micro-learning modules teach elementary aged children and their caregivers concepts about therapy and coping skills, keeping families engaged while they await therapy.

Through a partnership with Category One, we conducted a longitudinal study on the Connections' clients, which revealed substantial improvements in children's mental health, behaviors at home and school, and overall attendance. Remarkably, clients with below-average attendance demonstrated a significant increase in attendance after completing the program.

**8,270** Individual  
therapy  
sessions

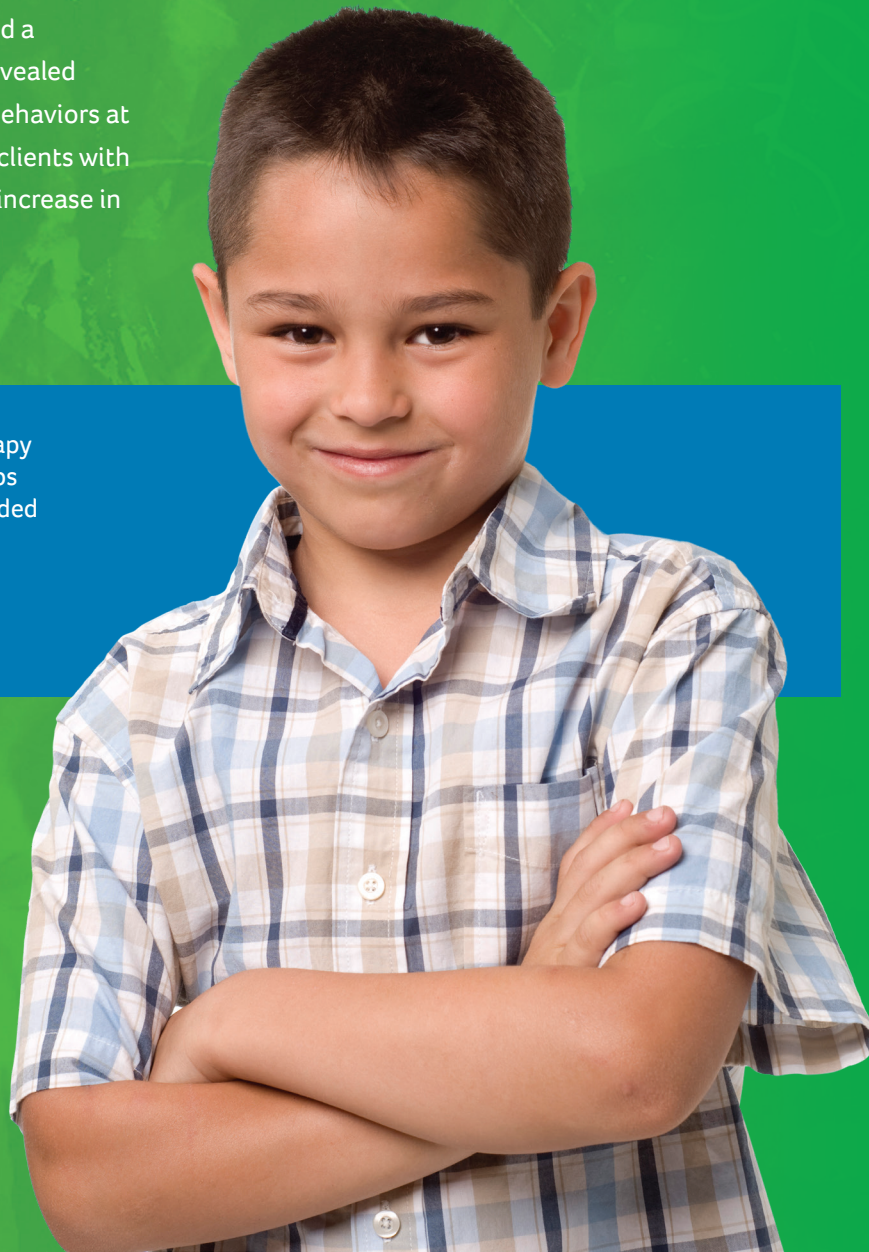
**83** Therapy  
groups  
provided

**1,740** Children  
served through  
Connections

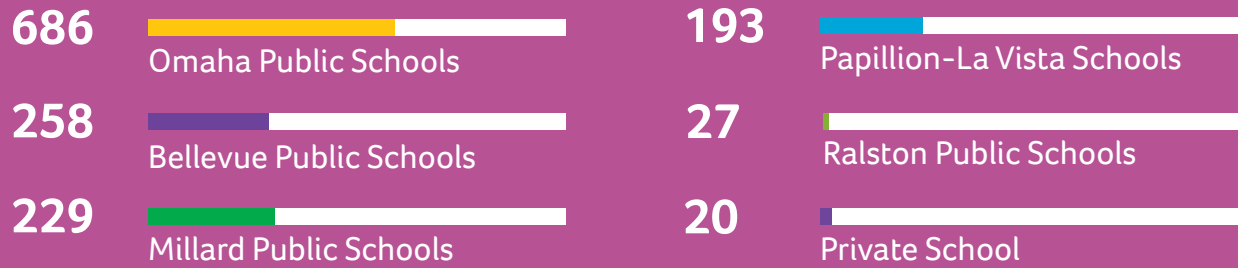
### DID YOU KNOW?

**Every ten seconds**

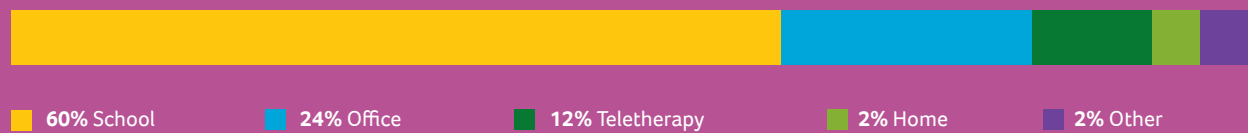
a report of child abuse is made.



## Number of Connections Referrals by School District



## Location of Therapy Sessions



## A Mother's Gratitude: A Story of Impact

A heartfelt card from a grateful mother highlighted the transformative impact of the Connections Program on her son's life. Her son, once struggling with inner battles and disconnection, found a safe space to explore his emotions without judgment.

**What truly made a difference was the opportunity to participate in martial arts.** For him, it became a source of strength, discipline, and newfound confidence. With each kick and punch, he could feel his struggles releasing, replacing them with a sense of purpose and resilience.

Mental health coordinators work with families to identify enrichment activities that support their child's mental health goals and, when needed, help families fund the enrichment activities while their child is a Connections client.

The mother expressed profound gratitude for the support and compassion shown by Chandler, the mental health coordinator, and the entire Connections team. They not only helped her son navigate his challenges but also restored her faith in the power of community and support.



## The Ripple Effect: Peer Support in Action

A first-grade student enrolled in Connections was struggling with emotional outbursts due to family turmoil. **Instead of disciplining the student, the teacher tried a new approach, allowing the child to step out of the classroom to regain composure.**

In the hallway, a fifth-grade student, also a participant in Connections, noticed the younger student's distress. Feeling empathy and concern, the older student approached the first-grader and practiced a calming

technique learned during group therapy sessions: belly breathing exercises.

After a few minutes, the younger child smiled, thanked the older student, and returned to the classroom feeling calmer. The teacher was struck by the powerful impact of peer support made possible by the Connections program. The program equips students with lifelong tools to manage their emotions and support one another.



### DID YOU KNOW?

Over **60%** of all children and adolescents are impacted by violence each year.\*



\*Source: ACE study. (<https://www.cdc.gov/child-abuse-neglect/about/index.html>)

# A Journey of Healing:

## Finding Strength in Shared Experiences



A family's life was turned upside down by the devastating impacts of sexual abuse and domestic violence. Seeking help, they turned to Project Harmony. Their journey towards healing began when a courageous child shared their traumatic experiences with the compassionate staff of advocates, forensic interviewers, and medical professionals.


Through therapy, the child started to heal. **They participated in a group therapy program tailored to their specific needs, which provided a safe space to process their emotions, build resilience, and regain their sense of self-worth.** In this supportive environment, they found a sense of belonging that helped them move forward from their traumatic past.

At the same time, the parents embarked on their own journey by joining a separate therapy group tailored for caregivers. Despite coming from diverse socio-economic and family backgrounds, they found solace in connecting



through shared pain and hope. These parallel groups provided a web of support, offering comfort and strength during immense adversity.

Under the guidance of dedicated advocates and therapists, the groups transformed into forums for learning coping strategies, developing emotional awareness, and harnessing the transformative power of shared experiences. Children explored these concepts alongside siblings who understood their struggles, navigating the turbulent waters of trauma together and drawing strength from their collective resilience.



**Shared meals, laughter, and moments of vulnerability forged deep bonds within the groups, creating a sense of family.** Gradually, the deep wounds of the past began to heal, replaced by a newfound sense of strength and belonging. As they concluded the programs, they carried with them profound gratitude for the support they had received and a renewed hope for brighter futures ahead, upheld by the healing embrace of this community.



# Project Harmony Facility Dogs

## The Calming Presence of Woody and Warrior

For the youth we serve, Woody and Warrior are more than just facility dogs - they are companions who provide immense comfort during times of distress and uncertainty. Their gentle presence has an undeniable therapeutic impact, as these touching examples illustrate:

**A Reassuring Friend:** A runaway youth was distraught over potentially being sent back out-of-state. As she walked with law enforcement officers, her anxiety was palpable. But then Woody approached, his warm eyes and wagging tail providing an instant source of calm. As she knelt to give him pets and scratches, the young girl's breathing slowed and her shoulders relaxed. In that moment, Woody's friendly demeanor became a lifeline of reassurance.

**A Compassionate Listener:** For one youth, opening up during an interview proved incredibly difficult. As tears streamed down her cheeks, Warrior seemed to sense her sadness. Without prompting, he ambled over and rested his head in her lap - a simple gesture conveying unconditional acceptance. The girl's sobs gradually softened to sniffles as she stroked Warrior's fur. His grounding presence reminded her that she didn't have to face this struggle alone.

**Moments like these highlight how invaluable our facility dogs are.** With their warm, comforting presence, Woody and Warrior provide deep emotional support, helping our youth navigate trauma and find inner strength and resilience.

  
**525**  
Unique  
Clients  
Served

Woody

Warrior


Learn more  
about Warrior  
and Woody at:





# Missing & Anti-Trafficking Youth Services





## Justine's Path to Independence

At the age of 17, Justine was identified as a victim of sex trafficking by the Omaha Police. She was referred to Project Harmony's Missing and Anti-Trafficking Youth Services Program, where she met Maddie, an Anti-Trafficking Youth Specialist. **Maddie provided the support and empathy Justine needed to begin her journey towards recovery.** 

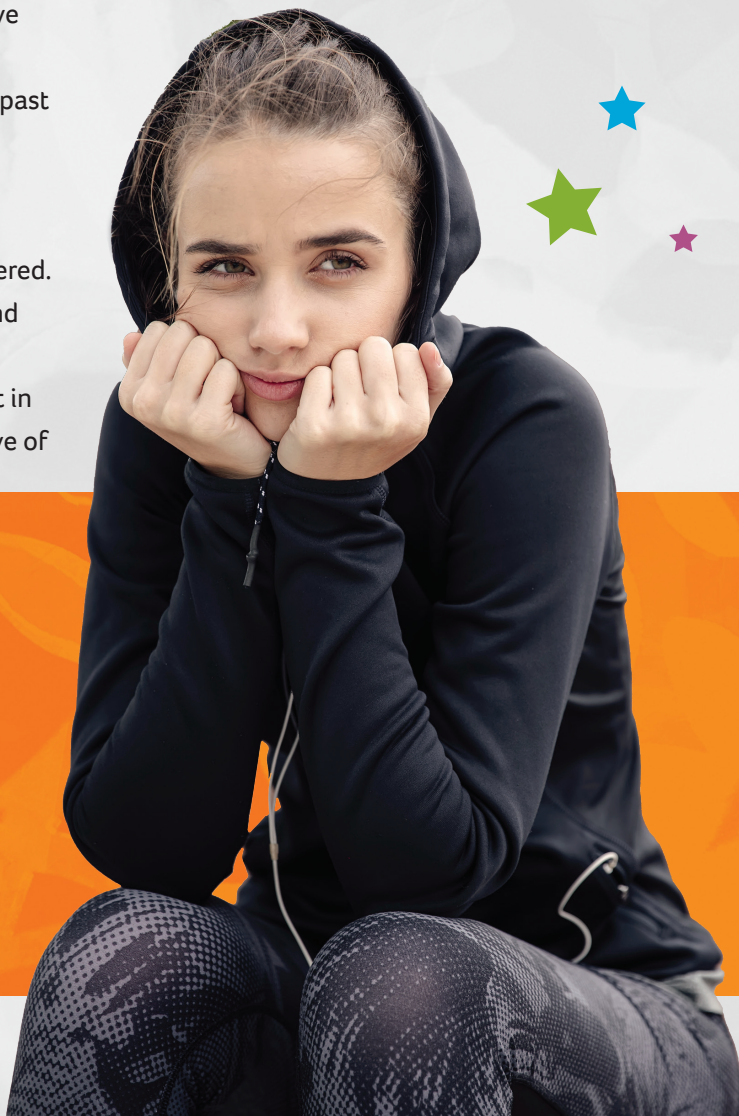
Maddie collaborated with partners such as the Omaha Police, Bridges to Independence, and Project Harmony's mental health team to coordinate a comprehensive network of services for Justine. Through therapy sessions, Justine began to confront her traumatic past and work towards healing and independence.

The journey was not easy, but with Maddie's unwavering support and guidance, Justine persevered. Together, they worked to secure stable housing and employment as Justine rebuilt her life. Now, at 19, Justine still grapples with the scars of her past, but in the safety of her own home, surrounded by the love of

her fiancé and loyal pets, she refuses to let her experiences define her. Justine's future is bright and full of possibility.

As she reflects on her hard-fought journey, Justine recognizes that none of it would have been possible without the support of Project Harmony's Anti-Trafficking Youth Services and Maddie's compassionate advocacy. They showed her a path out of darkness and helped her build a better life.    

**They showed her a path out of darkness.**



## Breaking the Cycle

A sex trafficking ring exploited vulnerable individuals in our community, leaving devastation in its wake. When authorities identified the victims, Ines, an Anti-Trafficking Youth Specialist from Project Harmony, reached out to the Spanish-speaking families reeling from unimaginable trauma.

Ines bridged the language divide, providing crucial support and guidance as the families navigated the legal process. She remained a steadfast ally for all five victims, ensuring their voices were heard even as perpetrators awaited a federal trial.

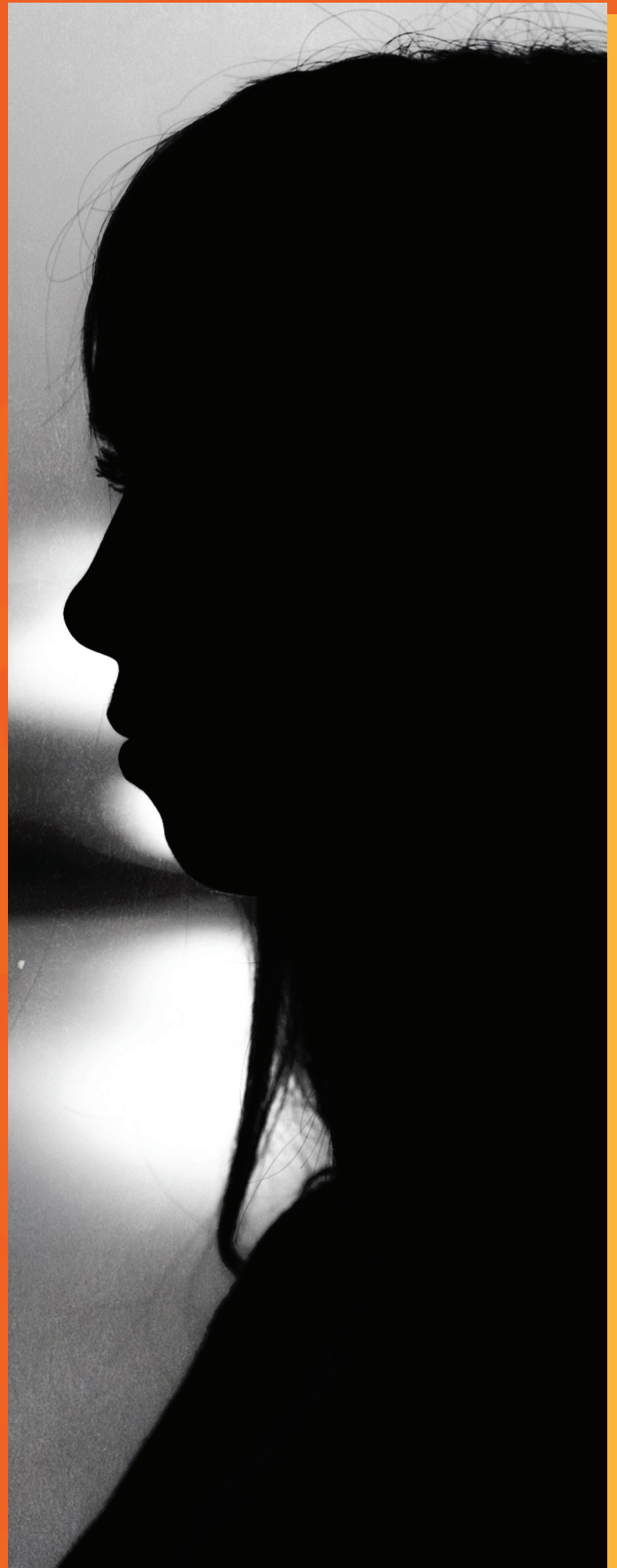
Collaborating extensively, Ines coordinated a response network with partners like Omaha Police, Homeland Security, federal victim advocates, Boys Town, and Project Harmony's mental health services.

Ines' commitment went beyond arrests.

**Understanding the long road to recovery ahead, she ensured victims had ongoing access to therapy and support services.** Three victims continued therapy at Project Harmony, courageously confronting their pain, while another found refuge at Boys Town's residential program.

This case also pioneered new ground, as Project Harmony's Anti-Trafficking program developed an innovative process to pursue restitution, empowering victims to hold their abusers financially accountable.

Through her tenacious advocacy, Ines played a crucial role by giving these brave survivors a voice and the support system to reclaim their lives.



# Youth Fire Intervention

## The Omaha Fire Department's Youth Fire Intervention Program

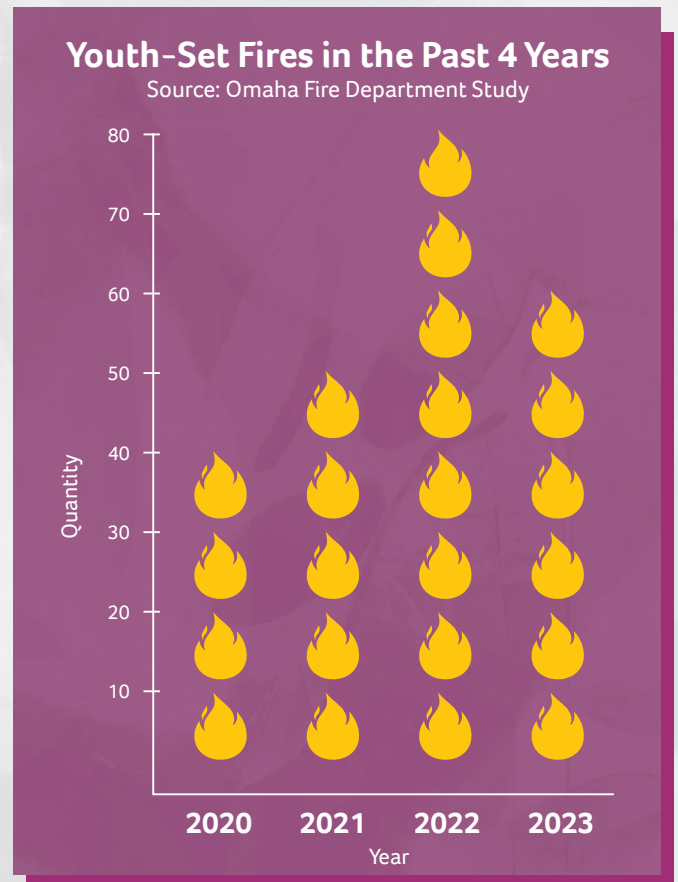
In 2022, the Omaha Fire Department implemented a Youth Fire Intervention program, co-located at Project Harmony, with the aim of reducing youth fire-setting incidents. **This program provides intervention and education to children and youth who play with fire, enabling them and their families to seek assistance and access ongoing educational programming and community resources.**

health providers, equipping them with a deeper understanding of the underlying factors that contribute to this behavior in young people.



**Above:** Fire Apparatus Engineer Mike Davenport of the Omaha Fire Department speaks at Project Harmony.

Recognizing the importance of collaboration and education, the Omaha Fire Department, in partnership with Project Harmony, brought one of the leading experts in youth fire-setting behavior, Dr. Robert Stadolnik, to Omaha for a two-day training course. Dr. Stadolnik shared his expertise with 30 local mental



**This initiative has proven invaluable, as it has facilitated access to the necessary help and support for numerous youth and their families who are grappling with this issue.** By fostering a partnership between the Omaha Fire Department and mental health professionals, this program has created a comprehensive support system that addresses the root causes of fire-setting behavior, ensuring that these young individuals receive the guidance and resources they need to make positive choices and prevent potential harm to themselves and others.

# Community Engagement

Many thanks to all who attended our events and supported Project Harmony in a variety of ways. Without you, our life-changing work would not be possible.

## Speaking of Children

**\$290,679 raised**

A very special thank you to Children's Nebraska and the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Nebraska for their partnership.

**April 18-19, 2023**

**Event Chairs:** Emily Allen and Ashley Rich

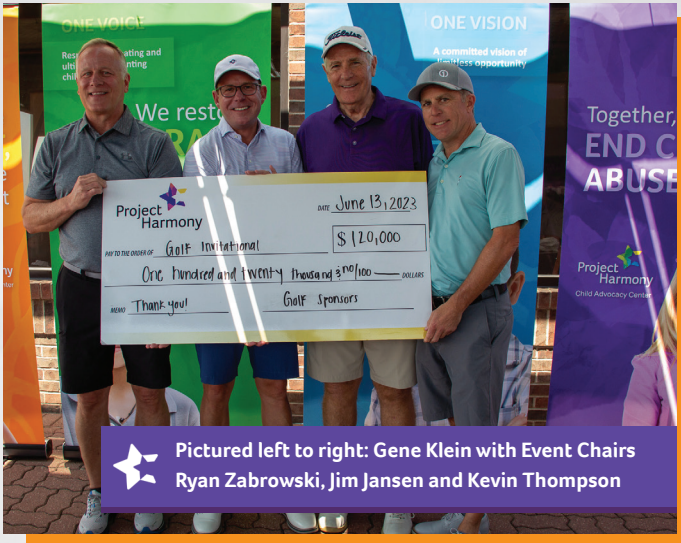
**Honorary Chairs:** Jessie and Dean Rasmussen




Project Harmony's 16th annual Speaking of Children Luncheon & Conference attracted nearly 600 trainees for the two-day conference and welcomed an additional 500 community members at the keynote luncheon. The keynote speaker was Gaelin Elmore, a former pro-football player whose mission is to erase the belonging gap for youth with adverse backgrounds. Funds raised from Speaking of Children go towards general operations as well as make it possible for professionals and community members alike to learn from nationally recognized speakers and world-class experts about what it takes to recognize, investigate, combat and provide healing treatment for child abuse victims.



Pictured left to right: Ellen Wright, Jennie Warren, Joani Mullin, Joy Watanabe, Carol Ketcham, Pam Weekly, Diane Fulcher, and Amy Chisholm



 Pictured left to right: Gene Klein with Event Chairs Ryan Zabrowski, Jim Jansen and Kevin Thompson

## Golf Invitational

**\$121,709 raised**

June 13, 2023

**Event Chairs:** Jim Jansen, Kevin Thompson, and Ryan Zabrowski

More than 250 golfers and volunteers came together last year at the annual Project Harmony Golf Invitational at Indian Creek Golf Course. For 28 years, this tournament has raised critical funds for Project Harmony's general operations, making a difference in the lives of vulnerable children and families for decades.

## Halfway to St. Patrick's Day

**\$202,346 raised**

September 22, 2023

**Event Chairs:** Ashley and Taylor Dieckman, Johna and Alex Henery, Katie and Phil McDonnell, and Lauren McDonnell

The 18th annual Halfway to St. Patrick's Day event presented a lucky evening at Champions Run filled with Irish food, drink and frivolity. For the first time, the evening's entertainment featured dueling pianos performed by Fun Pianos. Guests enjoyed games, prizes and even the chance to win a Pot of Gold cash prize.



 Pictured left to right: Alex and Johna Henery, Taylor and Ashley Dieckman, Gene Klein, Jack Swanda, Lauren McDonnell, and Katie and Phil McDonnell

# Annual Fund Drive

**\$492,765 raised**

Heartfelt thanks to our board members and annual fund drive chairs Nancy and Bob Edick, Krissy and Brandon Hamm, and Debbie and Brian Wood – whose dedication and engagement helped raise a record \$492,765 for the Annual Fund Drive campaign!



★ **Debbie Wood** Annual Fund Co-Chair    
 ★ **Brandon Hamm** Annual Fund Co-Chair    
 ★ **Nancy Edick** Annual Fund Co-Chair

# Be Someone Wall



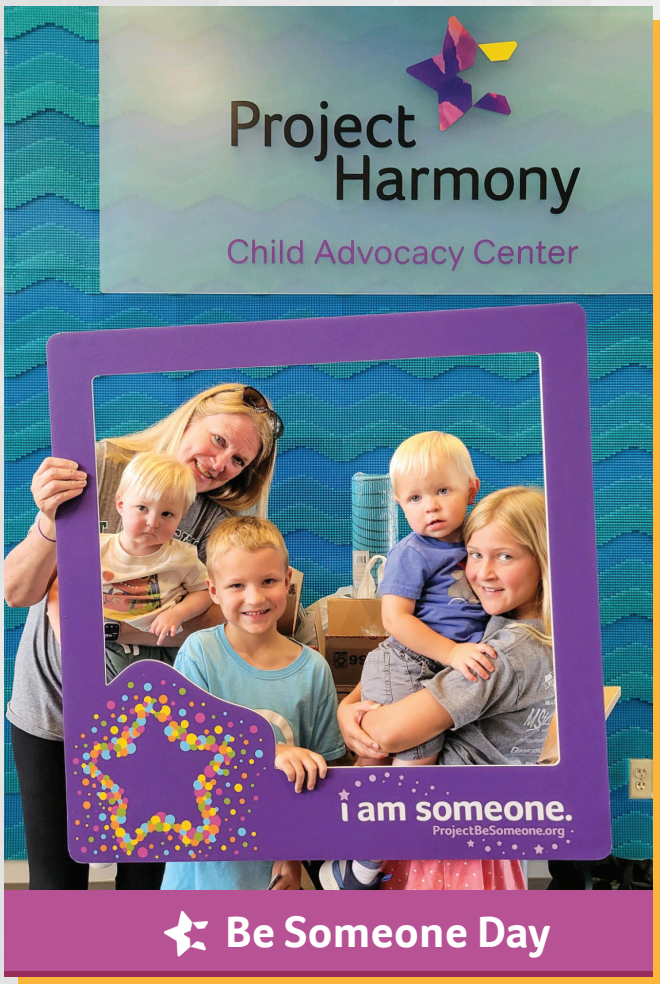
**Between 2022 and 2023, we saw a 6.7% increase in people across the country taking the pledge to Be Someone.** Ten seconds is not a lot of time, but it is enough time to be someone in the life of a child. Every second counts. We're glad to see more pledges to join the movement to help end child abuse.

**3,200+** People across the country have taken the pledge to Be Someone.

**We are proud to acknowledge our donors of \$250 or more on Project Harmony's Be Someone wall.** Donor names are updated, from the previous calendar year, on National Be Someone Day, recognized on July 21. In 2023, we added 34 names to the wall for a total of 671 supporters at the \$250 level or higher.

By supporting Project Harmony, you are helping to: Provide a place where **children can use their voice** without fear, **ensure hope**, health and resilience for children and families in our community, **spread awareness**, generate learning and ultimately protect the most vulnerable among us.

You are helping children, like those mentioned throughout, who have been put on a path towards healing. It is **because of your support**, they can go from crisis to courage.



Thank you for your continued compassion and generosity. Each of you contributes to the safety and wellbeing of children and families: providing a place where children can use their voice without fear; ensuring hope, health and resilience; and spreading awareness, generating learning and ultimately protecting the most vulnerable among us.

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# Financials

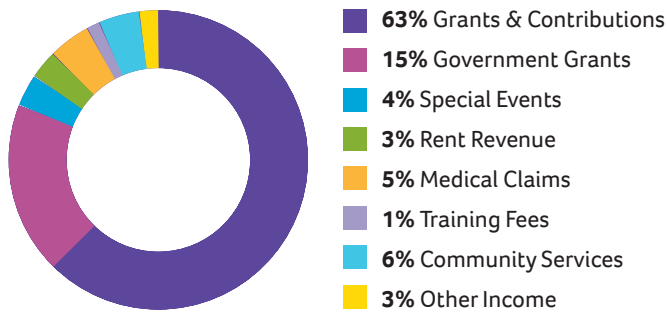
**\$14.3** Million Raised in 2023 for Operations

## Operating Revenue in Dollars

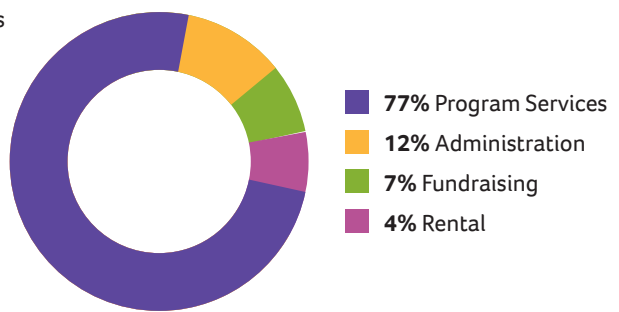
Grants & Contributions.....	\$11,009,888
Government Grants.....	\$2,686,573
Special Events.....	\$645,871
Rent Revenue.....	\$598,607
Medical Claims.....	\$933,463
Training Fees.....	\$187,214
Community Services.....	\$1,099,763
Other Income.....	\$451,045
<b>Total Income.....</b>	<b>\$17,612,424</b>



### 2023 Operating Revenue



### 2023 Operating Expense



### DID YOU KNOW?

Since 2020, our staff has grown by **12%**





## Operating Expense in Dollars

### Response Services

Intake & Anti-Trafficking Services.....	\$896,942
Forensic Interview.....	\$946,872
Coordination.....	\$733,170
Medical.....	\$1,232,403
Advocacy.....	\$1,342,931
Mental Health.....	\$1,593,852

### Prevention & Early Intervention Services

Connections.....	\$3,342,800
Training Services.....	\$969,433
Community Services.....	\$565,800

**Total Program Services.....\$11,624,203**

### Supporting Services

Administration.....	\$1,844,375
Fundraising.....	\$977,544
Rental.....	\$661,273

**Total Support Services.....3,483,192**

**Total Expense.....15,107,395**

### Revenues Over Expenses From

**Operations.....\$2,505,029**

### Other Revenue

#### 2023 Donor Restricted Contributions

Grants & Contributions.....	\$4,242,183
Special Events.....	\$106,645
Release of Restrictions for Operations..	(\$9,345,604)
Investment Return, Net.....	\$2,289,863
	<u>(\$2,706,913)</u>

Change in Net Assets.....(\$201,884)

Net Assets, Beginning of Year.....\$43,783,433

**Net Assets, End of Year.....\$45,581,549**



# Message from our Board Chairman

## I want to start by thanking you!

If you are reading this, you are somehow involved with Project Harmony, so you understand the importance of the work. The dedication of the Project Harmony team and partners and their commitment to safeguard our children is unwavering and humbling.

In a world where humanity should cherish our children; a nation that should enable our children to flourish and prosper; and a community that prides itself on safety, family and values, Project Harmony stands as a beacon of hope and a role model for tirelessly advocating for the rights of children and creating a safe and nurturing environment where all children can thrive.

Despite this great work, the journey is far from over and the need is more demanding than ever. Our children need your continued support to help them. As members of our community, we have a shared responsibility to protect and uplift our most vulnerable...our children. Everyone can, should and must help, whether through spreading the message, volunteering, or supporting financially. Your involvement is essential in shaping a brighter future.

Together, let's renew our commitment to fostering a community of care, compassion and commitment, where every child is valued, protected and supported. Every contribution, no matter how big or small, has the power to transform lives and create a legacy of healing and hope.

Please join us in our mission to create a world where every child is free to dream and thrive. Together, we can make a difference that lasts a lifetime.

Thank you!



**Dean Hollis**  
Project Harmony Board Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Hollis".

## DID YOU KNOW?

**77%**

of perpetrators of child abuse are a parent of their victim, according to Children's Bureau.





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“Project Harmony isn’t just about providing help after the fact; they’re dedicated to preventing abuse, which is a complex task. It requires significant resources, but it’s crucial work because it tackles the issue at its core. A colleague of mine experienced the devastation of sexual abuse, and without Project Harmony’s support, I don’t know how they would’ve survived. Witnessing the difference firsthand solidified my belief in the importance of this organization. Investing in Project Harmony means investing in our community’s well-being, making contributions for essential resources all the more vital.”

- Nancy Edick, Project Harmony Board Member

## 2023 Board Members

### Chairman

Dean Hollis  
Diventures

### Vice-Chairman

Mike Boyer

Big Rock Strategy Advisors

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Jim Jansen

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