

2022-2023 Annual Report

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The mission of the Oneida Crisis Center is to educate and promote safe and healthy individuals, families, housing and a prosperous community by working to ensure peaceful family relationships and providing support to victims of abuse.

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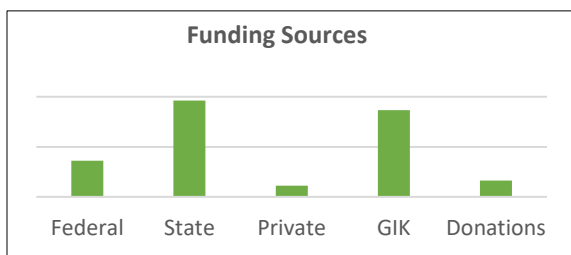
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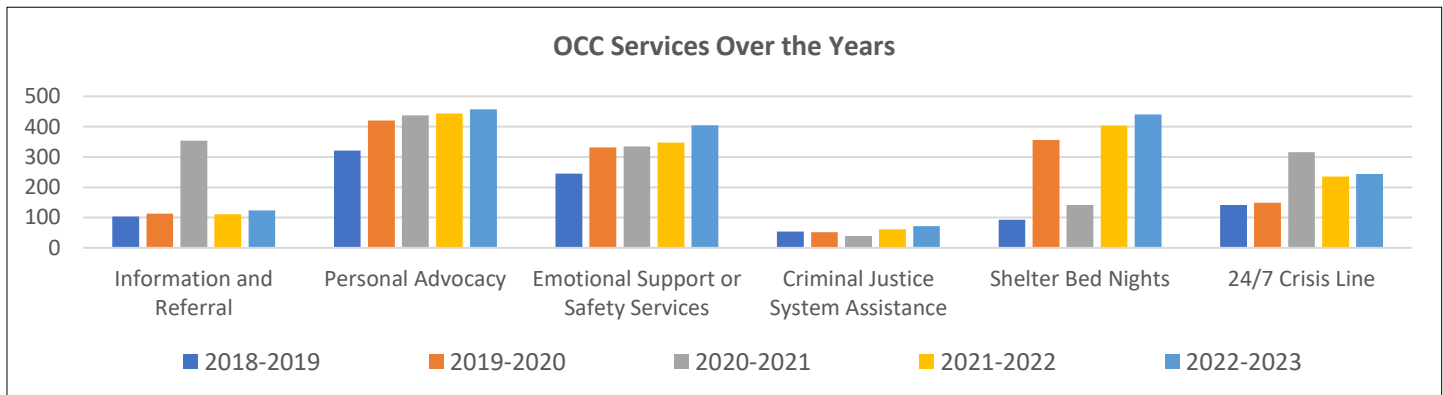
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Idaho Food Bank
Idaho State Police
Oneida County Interfaith Council
United Way of Southeastern Idaho
Office of Violence Against Women

Idaho Council on Domestic Violence & Victims Assistance
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Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
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United Way of Northern Utah
Idaho Community Foundation

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Nell J. Redfield Hospital



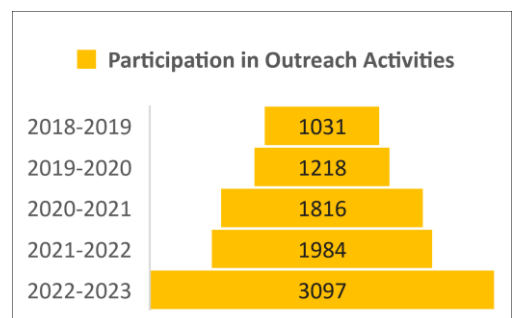
The Oneida Crisis Center (OCC), a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization, has provided trauma services for over 25 years and is the only such program to provide these services in rural Oneida County and Franklin County. OCC is humbled to be entrusted with funds received through Federal, State, and private foundation grants, Gift-in-Kind, and community donations and commits to maximizing funds ensuring individuals impacted by violence, and those experiencing insecurities with physiological needs, will obtain the resources necessary to succeed.



OCC helped three generations of a family find safety and peace from a stalker. The stalking became so horrific that the family lost employment and housing, forcing the teen children and infant grandchild to live with other family members and mother to hide in a storage unit for their safety. After over a year of terror, the stalker was arrested and imprisoned, leaving the family with the effects of the trauma. Together with their advocate this family recognized their strengths, planned for their future, and began to thrive.

OCC provides hope and healing with the provision of nondiscriminatory core services: on-scene crisis response, emergency shelter and housing assistance, forensic examination support, medical and courtroom accompaniment, interventions with employers, creditors, landlords, and academics, emergency financial assistance, child/dependent care, transportation assistance, legal aid and counseling referrals, and criminal justice and civil legal advocacy. An integral part of core services is the 24/7 Crisis Line operated by volunteer Joyce Maxfield. With care and compassion, Joyce answers each call and connects individuals with the assistance, support, and resources they need. During a recent audit, a visiting assessor put it best when she said, "The Oneida Crisis Center is a small agency, but you are doing truly big things."

In keeping with the mission to, "educate and promote safe and healthy individuals, families [and] a prosperous community...", OCC works to prevent domestic/family violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking by encouraging healthy relationship characteristics. OCC staff participated in community events such as the Suicide Awareness Walk, Brake for Breakfast, and the PTO Harvest Festival. In solidarity with national awareness campaigns, OCC hosted Teal Taco Tuesday in April to bring awareness to Sexual Assault and Purple Picnic at the Park in October to bring awareness to Domestic/Family Violence within our community and nationwide.



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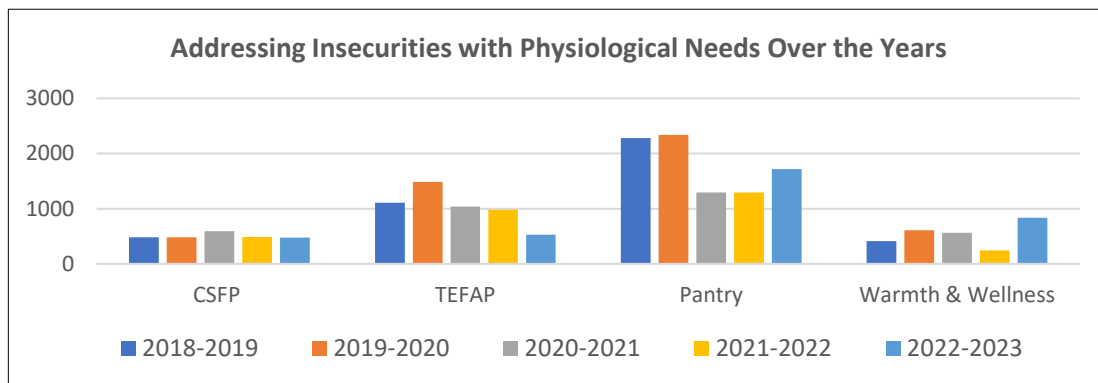
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School lunchtime activities provide opportunities to educate community youth about healthy relationships. OCC now hosts lunchtime activities in all four Oneida County School District buildings and West Side High School in Franklin County. In 2022-2023, lunchtime activities included "Love Notes to Yourself" where students were asked to share a personal characteristic they are proud of; "Don't Pop My Bubble" used Twister to teach students about personal space; and "Kindness is Magic" showed how much positivity and good can come from spreading kindness. Presentations to youth groups are another opportunity to promote healthy relationships. Staff focus on consent and mutuality within all relationships and how to recognize and stay safe from ugly behaviors. Learning what constitutes a strong and healthy relationship may prevent individuals from entering or remaining in relationships where violence exists.

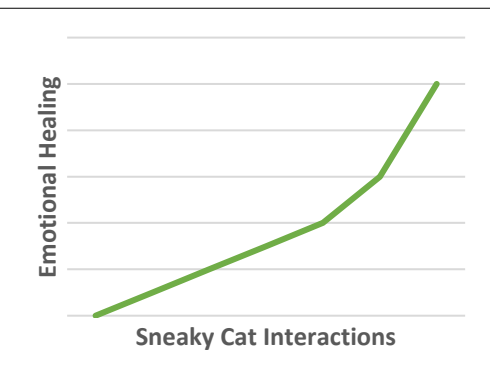


A community cannot be prosperous, and peaceful families cannot exist, if individuals are experiencing uncertainty with basic physiological needs. The Oneida Crisis Center maintains Carol's Pantry to limit food insecurities within Oneida County by facilitating both national and state programs. The Commodity

Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) improves the health of low-income seniors by adding nutritious food to their diets. Eligible seniors, age 60+, receive a free monthly food box that includes nutrition information and helpful recipes. The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) is a federal program that helps supplement diets of low-income families by providing them with emergency food assistance at no cost. The Idaho Food Bank delivers food monthly, and donations from area businesses as well as private donations allow residents to supplement their food needs. Carol's Pantry maintains satellite pantries at all school buildings and the Oneida Probation and Parole office to help ensure no child goes hungry. The Oneida Interfaith Council, along with Carol's Pantry, provide holiday food baskets to approximately 50 families and OCC coordinates Toys for Tots for around 30 children ensuring the holiday season can be filled with family, food, and fun.

Unfortunately, food insecurities are not the only deficiency individuals may experience. Staff are dedicated to homelessness prevention and collaborated with housing providers within our region. The Oneida Crisis Center Warmth & Wellness program provided household, clothing, and hygiene items. As cold months approached, OCC helped individuals obtain energy assistance through the Southeastern Idaho Community Action Agency (SEICAA). Recognizing the importance of both physical and mental needs, staff participated in the Mental Health First Aid class hosted by Nell J. Redfield Memorial Hospital and an OCC representative joined the Community Mental Health Committee. Individuals suffering with mental health concerns, resources can be found at oneidacrisiscenter.org/resources.

OCC staff attended the End Violence Against Women International Annual Conference in April 2023. Here they gained information to aid in developing community collaboration, offering regional support to other service organizations, and providing trauma-informed, victim centric, services. However, with a small staff, volunteers continue to be the stabilizing force of the Oneida Crisis Center. Volunteers provided an astounding **9476** hours of support and service during this fiscal year. They provide office support, shelter and building maintenance, assist pantry patrons, and pick-up and organize donations. Volunteers willingly shared their talents and abilities and for this OCC expresses our deepest thanks!



The self-proclaimed STAR of the OCC show is the emotional support animal, Sneaky Cat. Although she is only paid with tuna flavored treats, she works tirelessly to provide the affection and attention needed for emotional healing. She doesn't even complain when children leave her fur sticky, or she is squashed when hugged a bit too aggressively. Here's to you, Sneaky Cat! OCC would be nothing without you.



The Oneida Crisis Center is proud and honored to be a part of our community.