



**SURVIVOR ADVOCACY  
OUTREACH PROGRAM**

**SOUTHEASTERN OHIO**

**AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE  
PREVENTION AND HEALING OF SEXUAL AND  
RELATIONAL TRAUMA IN SOUTHEAST OHIO**

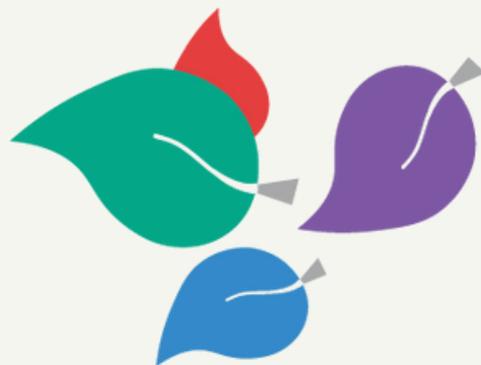
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**BI-ANNUAL  
REPORT**

# SAOP Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program

We are a confidential rape crisis center/non-residential domestic violence program serving survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, sex trafficking, and stalking in Athens, Gallia, Hocking, Meigs, Morgan, Perry, Jackson, and Vinton counties throughout Southeast Ohio.

We believe that everyone should have the support to live a life free of relational violence. We realize this in our communities by educating about trauma and healthy relationships, empowering our communities to have abuse-free relationships, and helping individuals and communities to enact change.



# SAOP Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program

## Mission

SAOP empowers the community and all survivors to live free of sexual violence, domestic violence, human trafficking, and stalking.

## Vision

A world where everyone has the support to live a safe life free of violence.

## Values

### **Empowerment**

We use an empowerment model of service when working with survivors. Survivors know their stories best - because of this, we strive to empower them to make the choices they see as being important on their path towards justice and healing. This value also extends to our awareness and prevention work as we strive to empower individuals and communities to have healthy relationships, recognize unhealthy relational patterns, and prevent sexual and relational violence before it occurs.

### **Community**

Individuals who experience interpersonal violence do not exist in a vacuum. Rather, survivors are situated in relationships and communities. As such, we also value community and recognize how a supportive community, or lack thereof, can affect a survivors healing and/or create environments that support interpersonal violence. We are dedicated to fostering communities that not only support survivors after abuse but also promote positive healthy relationships, communities and families that are free of violence.

### **Integrity**

Through our work with survivors, we are entrusted with extremely personal and sensitive information. Because of this, we operate under stringent practices to keep such information secure and confidential on behalf of our clients.

# 2020-2022 SAOP BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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## FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT

I am happy to report another remarkable year for the Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program. Despite the disruption of various COVID-19 variant surges, our organization has maintained its commitment to empowering the communities in Southeast Ohio to live free of relational violence and trauma. We have continued our work in acute crisis response and long-term advocacy for survivors of domestic violence, rape, and stalking. In addition, SAOP leaders and staff have served as anti-racism trainers, anti-violence advocates at the state level, and as members of a human trafficking prevention and response coalition. This year was especially noteworthy because of SAOP's expansion into violence prevention work with a social enterprise division called New Leaf Justice Enterprises, which has spurred exponential organizational growth and expanded our physical footprint into the seven counties we serve.

New Leaf Justice Enterprises is a program that provides wrap-around holistic services to empower community members, respond to trauma and substance misuse, in ways that prevent intimate-partner abuse. These services include living-wage employment opportunities, free long-term housing, and community support and services such as childcare, recovery services, trauma-informed counseling, financial skills instruction, and workforce development. With the support of grants that have come from the federal and state governments as well as local and regional foundations, we have been able to invest in real estate that will provide safe, long-term housing in Nelsonville, Athens, and Glouster. Additionally, we have purchased the Nelsonville Emporium to serve as our first New Leaf Marketplace and have enrolled our first colleagues as residents and workers there. With all the research about the high costs of trauma recovery to individuals, families, and communities, and trauma's connection to unemployment and substance misuse, it feels good to be doing prevention work that addresses many of the root causes of these problems. Indeed, the "new leaf" logo is a symbol of regrowth and stability amidst positive change. Since experiencing trauma can cut people loose from their support networks, our crisis intervention, and prevention program works to replant survivors, so they can regrow their roots, make new connections, and thrive.

Amidst all the excitement and work that has come with building, launching, and growing New Leaf Justice Enterprises, the Survivor Advocacy and Outreach Program has continued its original work and maintained its commitment to its core missions. In the 2020-2021 fiscal year our advocates provided ### hours of direct service to ### clients. In the spring of 2021, after renovations were completed, the staff moved into our Nelsonville office to find that the space was already too small for the number of people who had been hired during the early part of the pandemic. We are expanding our office spaces and our personnel so that we can grow our capacity to serve Appalachian Ohio. In addition to our existing full-time and on-call advocates, we have expanded our leadership team with a new Director of Outreach, an Office Administrator, and a Director of Finance (among others). We also created a Board of Managers to manage the Limited Liability Company associated with our real estate holdings, and plan to expand the Board of Directors at our next annual meeting to provide increased insight to manage our expanded programs and offerings. Thanks to the vision of our leaders, the commitment of our staff and volunteers, the expertise and passion of our sponsors and community partners, SAOP will continue to grow to meet the important needs of our communities. Unfortunately, these expanded capacities are needed already: our advocates report that the pandemic has increased not only the instances of relational violence they are responding to, but also the severity of the violence and thus, its associated trauma.

Though it feels like the world continues to spin rather unpredictably, it is exciting to see the support, opportunities, and empowerment that humans can generate when they are inspired by passion and work in collaboration towards violence prevention, advocacy, social support, and providing a trauma-informed response. Our funders, staff, volunteers, community partners, colleagues, customers, and neighbors are all part of a network that can evoke exciting changes that will have positive ripple effects through our communities and forward into time.

Rebekah Perkins Crawford  
Board President

# FINANCIAL POSITION

In the between September 2020 and October 2022, SAOP received \$2,227,322 in revenue from government/foundation grants, individual donors and program revenue. Since then, SAOP revenues have consistently increased from year to year with a 55% increase projected for FY 2022-23.

**FY 2019-20  
INCOME**

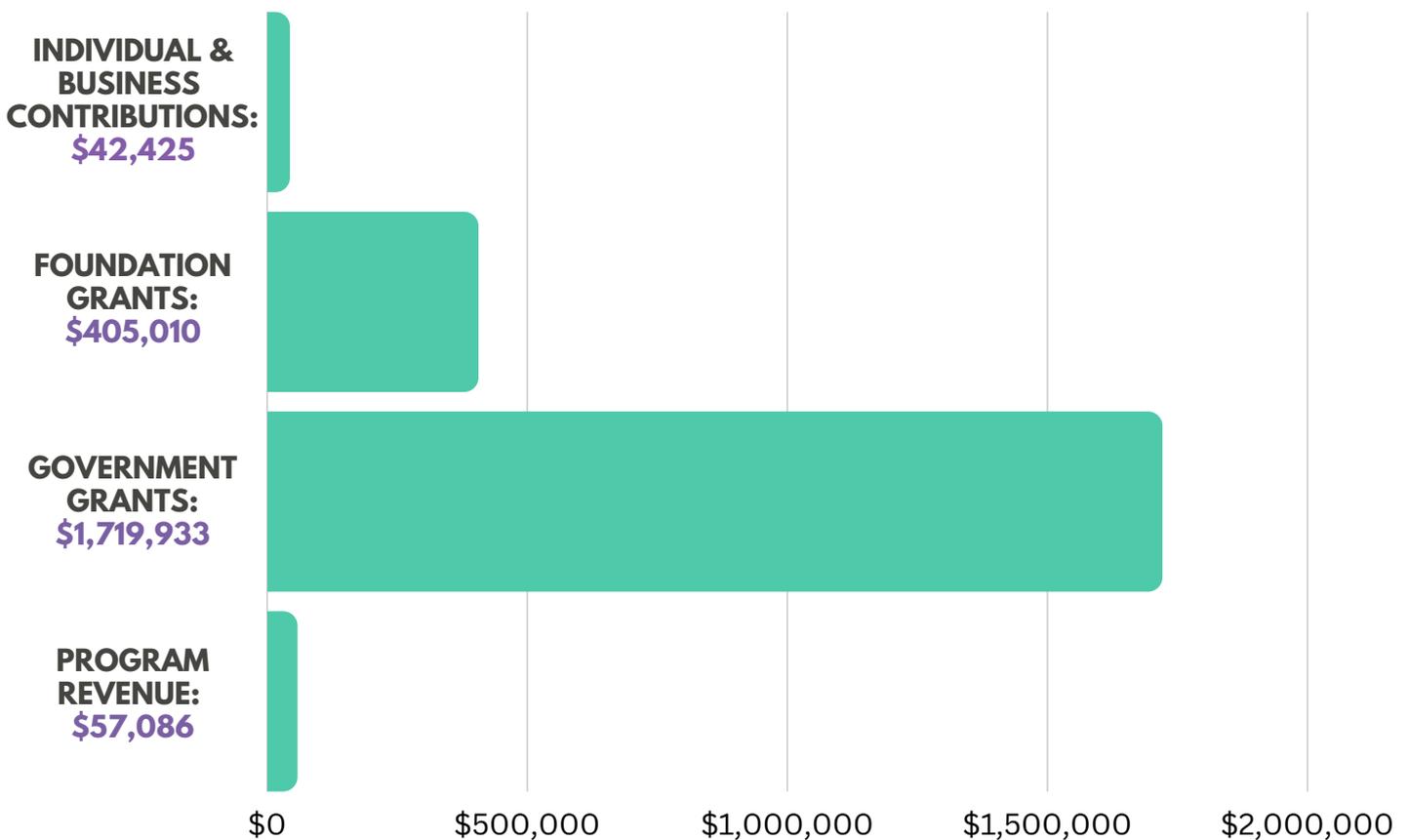
**FY 2020-21  
INCOME**

**FY 2021-22  
INCOME**

**FY 2022-23  
INCOME**



## FY 2020-2022 REVENUE BY SOURCE

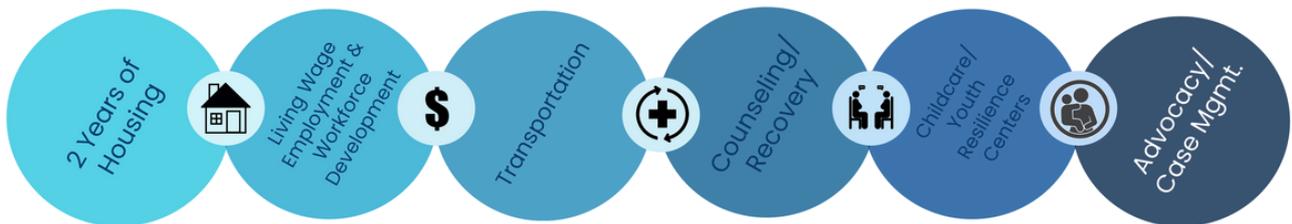


# NEW LEAF JUSTICE ENTERPRISES

New Leaf Justice Enterprises is a nonprofit social enterprise of the Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program (SAOP) that provides economic support and supportive services to individuals/families that have been impacted by trauma, incarceration, and substance misuse. New Leaf provides; 1) no-cost, long-term housing in individual units, 2) access to living-wage employment/workforce development training, and 3) access to social services, childcare, and transportation.

## New Leaf Community Components

Each New Leaf Community will have the facilities and staffing structure to provide all the below services at no cost. The program components/facilities in each community are clustered into New Leaf community micro-centers meaning all services are located within a 10-minute walk of each other and most services will be open to the larger community whenever possible.



	Child Abuse & Neglect	Sexual Violence	Intimate Partner Violence	Adverse Childhood Experiences
Strengthening economic supports for women and families	✓	✓	✓	✓
Supporting victim/survivors to lessen harms	✓	✓	✓	✓
High quality childcare	✓		✓	✓
Substance use recovery & treatment services			✓	✓
Family-friendly workplace policies	✓		✓	✓
Housing programs			✓	✓

# NEW LEAF PARTICIPANTS

The Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program started work to establish the first New Leaf Recovery Village in Nelsonville in February 2021. New Leaf Nelsonville is complete except for expanded childcare facilities and improving the walkability and safety of Washington St. between New Leaf facilities. There are six individuals/families currently enrolled in the program, and all program participants have reported increases in their subjective and objective perceptions of safety and economic stability. In addition to subjective outcomes, objective outcomes achieved by participants include:

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Participants have established savings accounts

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Participants have completed a 6-month financial literacy course

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Participants have purchased a vehicle

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Participants have enrolled in higher education

All 6 participants improved their social integration by participating in weekly group workshops with their peers where they engage in learning opportunities including, but not limited to healthy relationships, boundaries, and emotional regulation.

All 6 participants have access to healthy food options through New Leaf's partnership with Community Food Initiatives which provides free fruits, vegetables, and grains every week

2 participants acquired health coverage since enrolling in New Leaf, and now all 6 participants have health coverage

# SURVIVIOR SERVICES



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

22

Total hours of empowerment groups conducted

3,065

Total hours donated by volunteers and interns

160

Total hours of volunteer training conducted

40

Total number of volunteers trained

27,834

Miles traveled by staff delivering services and other related activities

# OUTREACH & EVENTS

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## SAOP On The Move!



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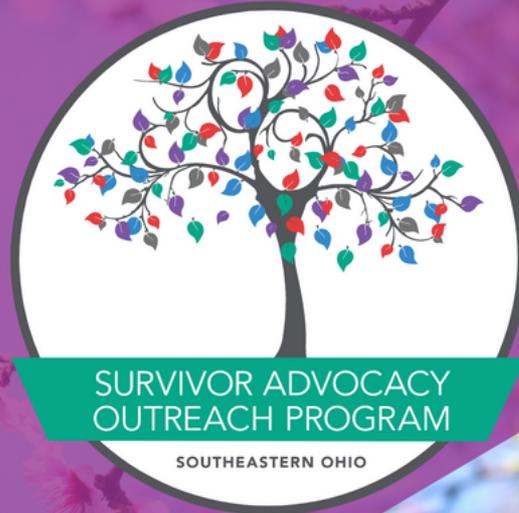
1. An advocate and intern at Gloucester's Day of Hope Event
2. A group of juniors and senior at Tri-County Career Center listen to a presentation on Consent
3. The SAOP "Boutique" offers free clothes for Survivors
4. New Leaf receives a \$1000 check from Sunrise Rotary Leaders of the Southeast The
5. The staff enjoys a beverage at Little Fish who donated the proceeds from their "Stabby Cat" to SAOP
6. Community Event in Gloucester
7. Shirts from Hocking County Heals in Logan
8. Poster for Volunteer Training
9. Group Photo with Board of Developmental Disabilities partners
10. Poster for a SAOP created Training educated Tattoo Artists
11. Advocates and Interns tabling at University of Rio Grande

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# SPRING VOLUNTEER TRAINING

5/10-5/19/22



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## SE OHIO TRAUMA-INFORMED TATTOOING SUMMIT

*a FREE program for tattoo artists to help coordinate care and trauma response for survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Southeast Ohio!*

**Objectives:**

- INFORMATION TO HELP ARTISTS IDENTIFY AND RESPOND TO SIGNS OF COERCIVE CONTROL
- IDENTIFY ISSUES THAT SURVIVORS FACE THAT ARE UNIQUE TO OUR REGION
- LEARN ABOUT WAYS TO CREATE A SAFE AND TRAUMA-AWARE SPACE THAT CAN EMPOWER ALL OF YOUR CLIENTS

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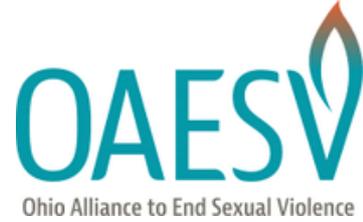
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Give. Grow. Create.



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# NEW LEAF

## JUSTICE ENTERPRISES

**IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU CARE ABOUT  
WERE ABUSED, WOULD YOU KNOW WHAT  
TO DO?**

If not, you're not alone! No one expects to be a survivor of sexual abuse or in an unhealthy relationship. But that means that when it does happen, most don't know their options.

At SAOP, we educate survivors on their options and empower them to enact their choices. We also conduct prevention programming to stop the abuse from ever happening in the first place.

Help support this invaluable work by donating to SAOP. Your gift helps build resilience, support survivors, and create a healthier community for us all. Donations can be mailed to 11100 St Rt. 550 Athens, Ohio 45701 or made via the QR Code to the right.

