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## Highlights:

### Event Recap

#### Domestic Awareness Month

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Over the last several months we have had three fundraising events as well as activities during the recent Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Our agency depends on many areas of support to help us serve survivors within our three counties. All donations and support allow us to offer guidance and advocacy to our clients and keep our shelter operating effectively. Any contribution whether monetary, support of events, time volunteered or items contributed make a positive difference.

**July Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser....**Another fun-filled event was held at **Spring Valley Golf Course** to support the many needs of WISE. This year 's event raised over \$11,000 thanks to our many volunteers, sponsors, golf teams and supporters. Our dedicated committee members work for a year in the planning for this fun filled event. Save the date for next year's event, tentatively schedule for July 15th!

We would like to take this opportunity to remember in a special way **Donald Grant** who passed away just prior to our event. For years, Don was a dedicated committee member for the golf outing event and committed supporter of WISE, he will be missed. Our condolences to his wife, Hon. Susan Grant.

**Charity Week – Gypsy Nickel....**Thank you to the **Gypsy Nickel** for including WISE as one of the organization highlighted during their charity week this past September. We appreciate the awareness opportunity and support.

**1st 5K Walk/Run....**was held this past September at Northend Park. We had 43 participants join us and \$3,000 was generated for this event. Thank you to our sponsors, committee members, volunteers and participants. We hope to make this an annual event!

## **October, Domestic Awareness Month ....**

Domestic violence is an increasingly visible social and legal problem that includes physical, verbal and emotional abuse as well as controlling behavior. Domestic violence does not discriminate. Anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender can be a victim - or - perpetrator of domestic violence.

Our staff organized many events that took place during October, throughout the communities for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This outreach is to bring awareness to the public of the services we provide to our clients. During the month of October, our staff held prevention talks in all three counties, actives on the campus of Ferris State University, a parade in Freemont, a Haybale art display in Freemont, and talks to the General Federation of Women's Club in Evart. Below is a list of the services provided to survivors over the last fiscal year.

### **Client needs & Calls Received**

**SHELTER SERVICES:** ADULTS: 58 CHILDREN: 69  
**SHELTER NIGHTS PROVIDED:** ADULTS: 1927 CHILDREN: 3136  
**OUTREACH SERVICES:**

Domestic Outreach Client Totals - 407

Sexual Assault Outreach Client Totals - 74

Stalking - 10

### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE / SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM CALLS:**

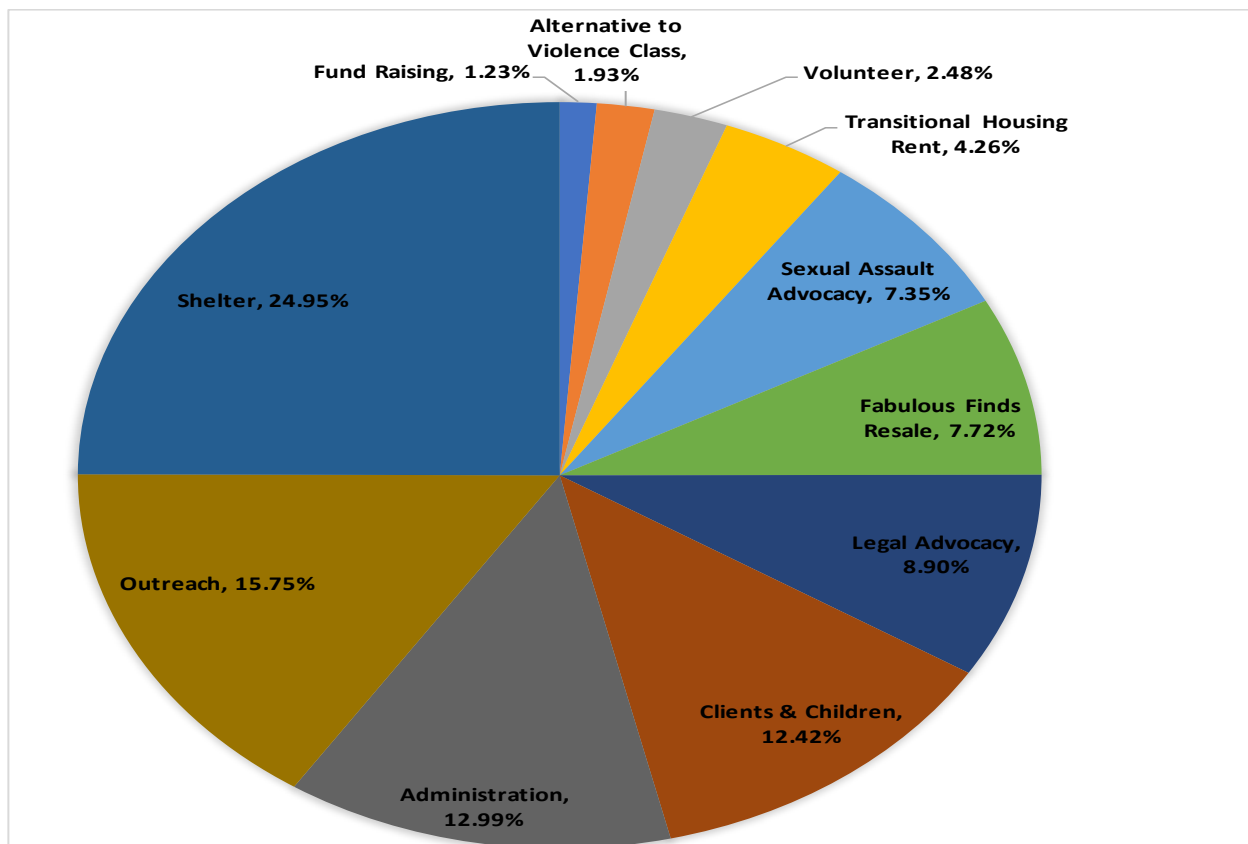
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE : 90 SEXUAL ASSAULT : 19

# HOW DOES YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT HELP?.....

Below are the expense areas our operation covered over the 2018/19 year. All of these functions are a necessity to keep our services available to all the clients in our areas. These services are provided from the time we receive a call to working with the clients in the trauma, legal advocacy or transition to different housing. We offer programing to help empower clients and help them move forward to escape from the harm they are facing.

Our highest needs are in the shelter and outreach programs. The services noted below are able to be provided due to the combination of Federal, State and Local grants, private donor contributions, fundraising, and Fabulous Finds Resale Store.

These services are provided to the clients we serve in **Newaygo, Osceola, and Mecosta** counties. It is with continued support of our donors, local agencies and local law enforcements that we can help serve our clients. We wanted to give you an overview of the areas your support helps our agency serve it's clients from the initial call to the continued support services needed.



MISSION—*Women’s Information Service, Inc. (WISE)* provides advocacy, safety options and support services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and human trafficking. WISE empowers individuals and families through respect and equality, and works toward strengthening our communities through awareness, prevention and education.

WISE is a non-profit organization. All of our services for victims are free and confidential.

### Thank you to our Community Sponsors

