



**RAPHAEL HOUSE**  
of PORTLAND



# Celebrating Resilience!

“Thanks to Raphael House, we are alive and we are safe. I could not have done it without all of the support and help that I got — and continue to get — from everyone.”

LARA, SURVIVOR AND MOM OF 4

With your support, Raphael House was here for 3,273 survivors and community members this past year!



“We continue to celebrate the resilience of domestic violence survivors, advocates, and our community. In the face of new challenges and skyrocketing need, we’ve adapted and continued providing all our life-saving emergency and ongoing services, along with prevention education programming! But this crisis isn’t over. The fallout of the pandemic will continue to critically affect families’ safety and stability, and we are counting on you to make sure we’re always here for survivors. Your gifts make change happen — thank you!”

— Emmy

Emmy Ritter, LCSW  
Executive Director



Our three interconnected pillars of support — Emergency Services, Supportive Services, and Prevention Education — are how we’re ending the cycle of violence.

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



## EMERGENCY SERVICES

In the midst of a pandemic and with rates of domestic violence spiking, access to confidential help has never been more life-saving. Home isn’t safe for everyone, which is why our emergency shelter and hotline have remained open 24/7! Our expert advocates guide survivors as they access housing, have assisted with the transition to online school and work by providing laptops, and made adjustments in our shelter to keep families healthy and distanced while staying with us.

9,015 SAFE NIGHTS spent in our shelter\*

63% OF RESIDENTS were children

367 CALLERS received support on our 24-hour hotline

“I am very grateful for all the help available at the shelter. My kids and I didn’t have any other support, and it was Raphael House who helped me with a house, clothing, food, and everything. Thanks to you, we are safe now.”

Tarin, former shelter resident

\*All numbers reflect impact in 2020






## SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

Each survivor's journey is unique, so we're here as long as they need.

**Our personalized supportive services helped over 425 survivors stay safe, healthy, and stable in 2020!**


With so many added challenges this year, families had greater need than ever for essentials like food, emergency funds, and emotional support. We proudly offer:

- Virtual support groups, case management, youth and family services, safety planning, basic needs, and more through our Advocacy Center
- Rental assistance, eviction prevention, and housing stability resources
- Survivor-led addiction recovery services
- An advocate stationed at OHSU's Richmond Clinic

 **96% OF ADVOCACY CENTER FAMILIES** are in safe housing

 **\$368,644 DISTRIBUTED** to survivors to pay critical expenses like rent

 **37,503 POUNDS** of food and produce delivered

 **798 HOME DELIVERIES** of essentials like food and hygiene items

# In Marlena's Words

In 2019, Marlena found out she was pregnant. She was afraid, and didn't want to raise a child with her abusive husband. So, she fled to our shelter and gave birth to a beautiful son named Julian.

After three months of healing, starting a new job, and clearing debt accumulated by her abuser, our team helped them move into their own home.

"I finally had my feet under me — my independence, my own finances — and was making good decisions for myself and my baby! I was finding a new circle of people, like my advocate at Raphael House and the ladies in my trauma support group. Then COVID hit.

Being stuck at home had me feeling trapped and scared again — like I used to with my ex. Then I was furloughed from my job, and was so terrified that Julian would go to his father if we didn't have a place to live.

**My advocate at Raphael House was an angel for us.** She helped me with rent, so we could stay in our home. She dropped off fresh food and diapers every week, and helped me deal with courts for the custody case. When my support group started meeting online in May, it was like we were back in the same room! It helped me feel like I wasn't the only one going through all of this. Like I wasn't alone.

Things are more steady now, and I'm still taking it day by day. **But, I know I'll make it through whatever is next because I have people at Raphael House who are there for me.** So I can keep my son safe and teach him to be a good man. We're going to be okay."



"During the pandemic, I have felt very supported by Raphael House, with my housing, getting custody of my son, and always having someone to talk to.

I'm grateful to all the staff for being there for us. Thank you, now we have a safe home."

**Marlena,**  
*Advocacy Center participant*



## PREVENTION EDUCATION



Our mission and dream is to create a world without domestic violence, and we work toward this every day through our Prevention Education program.

We are teaching thousands of teens and adults in (now virtual) classrooms how to practice equitable relationships and consent – while debunking myths about sex trafficking. **This work is helping stop abuse before it ever happens.** Our Confidential Advocates are also available to Portland Public School students, along with youth who are at risk of or experiencing trafficking. Young people can reach our advocates for support in the face of dating or sexual violence, or with any relationship questions.

“Not all youth have the opportunity to see equitable relationships demonstrated at home, so seeing and practicing things like consent and healthy boundaries at school may be their only opportunity to do so. And Raphael House makes that possible.”

*Dr. Liane O'Banion, Title IX Director, Portland Public Schools*

2,046 TEENS AND ADULTS participated in online workshops

138 VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS given on equitable relationships and consent

135 PEOPLE learned about sex trafficking prevention

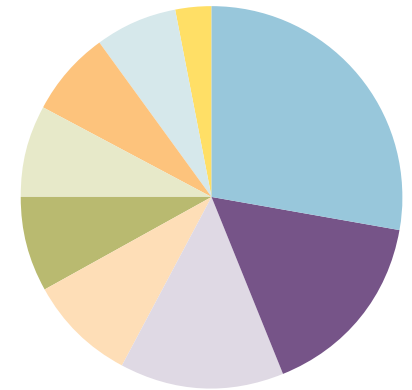
# Financial Snapshot

We were able to help 889 survivors move toward safety and stability last year because of our community's generous support.

Thank you for making this possible!

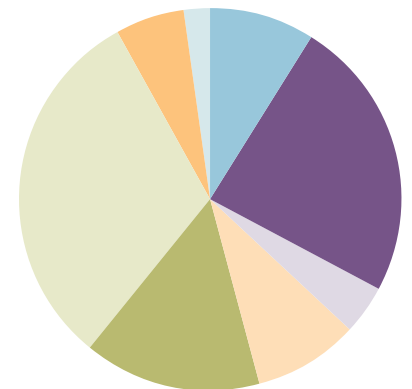
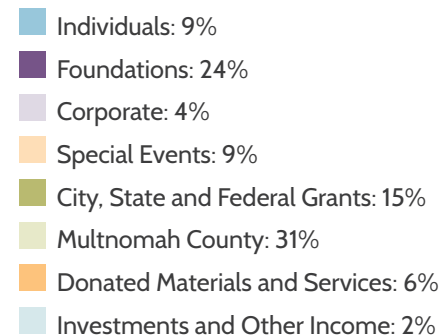
2019-2020 fiscal year

## EXPENSE



Total: \$2,868,646

## REVENUE



Total: \$3,067,821

There are many ways to support Raphael House, including monthly giving, planned and legacy giving, IRA distributions, gifts of stock, and hosting donation drives.

Contact Amanda Ives at [aives@raphaehouse.com](mailto:aives@raphaehouse.com) or (971) 808-9644 to learn more!

## MESSAGE FROM A RAPHAEL HOUSE DONOR

*“My mom and I stayed at Raphael House when I was 7 years old, and it saved our lives. We are eternally grateful and appreciate that you are still there helping families!”*

# You Are Invited!



RAPHAEL HOUSE  
VIRTUAL  
gala  
2021

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14**

Tune in from anywhere to celebrate hope, safety, and stories of strength!

**This inspiring evening is free to join online.** You can also have the full Gala experience at home by purchasing a ticket, and we'll send a gourmet, three-course meal right to your door.

Virtual tables and sponsorships are also available! *Visit [raphaelhouse.com](http://raphaelhouse.com) to RSVP, purchase, and give.*



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## WE'RE HERE TO HELP

You deserve to be safe, you deserve to be respected, and you are not alone! Support is always available via our 24-hour hotline at (503) 222-6222, or visit [raphaelhouse.com/get-help](http://raphaelhouse.com/get-help) to learn about resources and accessing services.