Services
WomenSafe provides a variety of services that strive to meet the needs of all people who experience stalking, dating, domestic or sexual violence. We define advocacy as the active support of an individual’s goals by providing information and options to assist the person in making their own choices. We provide emotional support, information & referral, support groups and advocacy in the following areas through a free and confidential 24-hour hotline and in person meetings:

- Civil & Criminal Legal
- Medical & Hospital
- Transitional & General Housing
- Systems Change

WomenSafe also provides outreach to underserved communities, community education, professional training, supervised visitation and monitored exchange services.

Mission Statement
WomenSafe works toward the elimination of physical, sexual and emotional violence through direct service, education and social change.

“A BIG thank you to everyone who works here! You are all amazing! I honestly don’t know what I would do without you all . . . I would mentally and emotionally be lost without you . . . ! Thank you.”
—A Service User, June 2018

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24-hour Hotline:
802-388-4205 or 800-388-4205

The Supervised Visitation Program
@ WomenSafe (The SVP):
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All Advocacy Services are Free & Confidential

Language interpretation services available. Deaf callers please use telephone relay.

Serving the community since 1980.

Please like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram (WomenSafe_VT) and Twitter (@WomenSafeVT).
WomenSafe’s Data
July 1, 2017–June 30, 2018

- WomenSafe served 529 women, children and men during 5,769 in-person meetings and phone calls.
- We worked with the relatives and caregivers of a total of 376 children affected by the violence in their lives.
- The Supervised Visitation Program completed 345 supervised visits for 26 children needing increased safety during parent-child contacts.
- The Training & Education Program reached 1,641 adults and youth with 255 presentations, professional trainings and community awareness events. Participants received information about healthy relationships, preventing child sexual abuse, sexual harassment, teen dating violence, consent and many other topics.
- Seventy-five community volunteers contributed 9,270 volunteer hours by providing services such as: staffing the 24-hour hotline, in-person office support, court accompaniment, administrative support and Board membership.

Funding
WomenSafe receives funding from a combination of public and private sources and is a member agency of the United Way of Addison County. Our Mother’s Day, Annual Appeal, Town Appropriation and other endeavors consistently receive strong community support.

The following is a summary of our Statement of Activities from the independent audit of our financial statements. A copy of our full financial statements is available for review.

Statement of Activities
For The Year Ended June 30, 2018

Revenue, Gains, and Other Support
Community Support:
- Donated Services and In-kind Support $157,368
- Contributions 121,420
- United Way 19,884
Total Community Support $298,672
Federal Grants 333,329
Community Partner Pass-Through 151,566
State Grants 131,222
Miscellaneous and Interest 17,668
Total Revenues, Gains & Other Support $932,457

Expenses and Losses
Direct Service, Education, and Training 601,156
Community Partner Pass-Through 151,566
General and Administrative 138,819
Fundraising 21,920
Capital Campaign 18,738
Total Expenses and Losses $932,199

Highlights & Community Impact
- WomenSafe’s Transitional Housing Program Grant through the Department of Justice’s Violence Against Women Act assisted 29 families including 20 children and other dependents find and maintain secure, stable housing.
- WomenSafe was pleased to honor Valerie Ortiz of Shoreham as the recipient of the 2018 Kimberly Krans Women Who Change the World Award. Over 70 relatives, friends and colleagues of Valerie attended the celebration.
- Hosted full time Addison County Privilege & Poverty Summer and Winter Term Interns from Middlebury College. Interns combine practical work experience with classroom and supplemental readings on privilege and poverty.
- Staff provided high-quality prevention and education programming in 9 elementary schools, 4 middle schools, and 3 high schools.

“I am so, so very grateful to the transitional housing program for making it possible for our family to recover so well.”
—A Service User, Winter 2018

“The writing [support] group helps me begin rebuilding self-esteem and trust in others, and it helps me imagine new ways of thinking and being.”
—A Service User, Spring 2018