

SOJOURNER 2017 IMPACT REPORT

Thank you for your commitment! Because of you, survivors of domestic violence have a safe place to sleep, an advocate to support them, and an entire community offering encouragement. In 2017, 1,500 more individuals reached out to Sojourner for safety, and you were there to help. You have demonstrated your belief that we can make a difference in our community. You advocated for human dignity, and provided light in dark times for people who are hurting. Here is the impact you made in 2017:

11,346
clients received
life-saving services.

and

79,190
contacts were made
with those who
were hurting.

**You served
1,596**
more clients in 2017 than in 2016.

**You provided
18,425**
nights of shelter in
Sojourner Truth House to:



277 280
women
escaping
violence.
277 280
children
escaping
violence.

**Our 54-bed shelter
operated at
93%**
capacity.



18,520

**Calls were
received to
our 24-Hour
Domestic
Violence
Crisis Hotline,
and you were
there to answer
them.**



The hotline received:

9,293 calls from police
2,791 crisis calls
2,595 info & referral calls
1,034 jail release calls
2,807 VINE notification calls

**You helped
507**
clients achieve
employment,
education, financial
empowerment, and
wellness goals
through our Life Skills
program.

**You provided safety planning and
assistance to 3,858 women
and 1,034 men who filed
a restraining order through our
Courthouse Advocacy Program.**

352
children were
helped on their path
to recovering from
violence.

**You explained the legal process
and their rights to 1,383**
women and men as they worked
with the District Attorney's Office.

**You offered critical resources to
3,706 survivors
who reported abuse to law
enforcement through our
partnership with the Milwaukee
Police Department.**





You assisted

2,208

women and men as they worked to recover from violence through Family Advocacy Support Services.

and

10,153

contacts were made with these individuals.

You helped 570 women and men eliminate violence in their interpersonal relationships through our Beyond Abuse program.



You helped elevate the conversation in our community.

164 tours were conducted at Sojourner and

3,060 meetings and events were hosted in the Family Peace Center.

You helped educate the community.

Education and Outreach staff participated in 195 community education events with 7,823 attendees.

13 Sojourner Healthy Dating Youth Summits were held with middle and high school students to learn about healthy dating practices.



491 Volunteers gave their talent and served

12,000+ hours of support to individuals we serve.

Client demographics served in 2017:

- 59% African American
- 22% Caucasian
- 12% Hispanic
- 7% Asian, Native American, Mixed Race, or other
- 80% of clients reported an annual household income of less than \$15,000

THANK YOU!

You transformed lives in 2017. With your help, we are continuing to offer holistic services to thousands of women, children, and men who have experienced trauma. The Family Peace Center provides survivors with seamless access and is home to Sojourner Truth House crisis shelter, Education Center, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, 14 other co-located partners, and several visiting partners.

Onsite partners include Children's Hospital of Wisconsin: Milwaukee Child Advocacy Center, Behavioral Health Services, Community Health and Education, and Project Ujima, Milwaukee Police Department, Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office, Milwaukee Public Schools, Aurora Health Care, Goodwill Industries, Jewish Family Services, and CORE/EI Centro, among others.

Thank you for bringing hope, peace, and courage to people who are hurting in Milwaukee.

