



2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Mission Statement

*Building healthy relationships, families, and communities
free from sexual, domestic and interpersonal violence.*

INTRODUCTION



“When it opened back in 1971, Peace Over Violence was one of the first agencies of its kind in the U.S. Over the years, POV has transformed so many lives, healed so many families, and built a stronger and safer city. Today, more than ever, its innovative programs are essential in helping people who have experienced trauma. Los Angeles needs this organization—and it needs your support to thrive and continue to make a difference for the people of this city.”

– Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND BOARD PRESIDENT



Board member Dawn Bey, Board President Keziah Robinson, Board member Mary Lee Wegner, Board President Kent Kiesey, Board Vice-President Ruby Quallsgray, Board Member Christina Mauro, and Executive Director Patti Giggans

The year 2016 was another growth spurt for POV. We hope you enjoy reading about what we have been engaged in and how the services provided by Peace Over Violence are needed now more than ever. Peace Over Violence is not only needed in our aspirational name as an idea but in actuality! In 2016, we expanded our programming due to increased grants from the federal Victims of Crime Act. This allowed us to triple our clinical department, hire more case managers and counselors to meet the growing demand for services for victims/survivors. This funding also puts pressure on us to raise unrestricted funding since grants never pay for the whole program. Our Development Department and our Board of Directors are stepping up activities to meet this growth and to make sure that we are right sized; not only for services but for fiscal health as well. We bid a fond farewell to outgoing chair Keziah Robinson and welcome our new board leadership.

This year was our 45th anniversary and we celebrated our gala at Vibiana’s in downtown LA. The evening, which featured a cocktail pre-dinner reception, silent auction, dinner and concert, was hosted by Denim Day spokesperson Maya Jupiter, and featured a performance by iconic Brazilian singer/songwriter Thalma de Freitas. The night presented the unique opportunity to recognize and bring together our brand creators, Rebeca Méndez, Adams Eeuwens and Michael Powers; Los Angeles’s only City Councilwoman, Nury Martinez and the legendary songwriter, Diane Warren.

We are committed to spreading the “Trauma Informed and Resiliency Focused” model that we live by and of course, still abide by our mantra that since “Violence is learned, it can be unlearned.” As we continue our mission and vision of healthier and safer relationships, families and communities we hope you will continue to follow our progress—and more importantly—be a part of that progress.

Patti Occhiuzzo Giggans
Executive Director

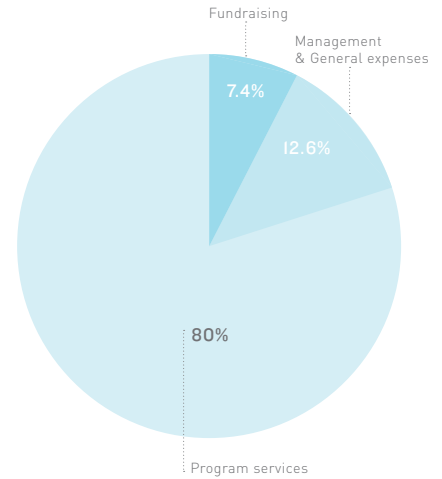
Kent Kiesey
Board President

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Balance Sheet

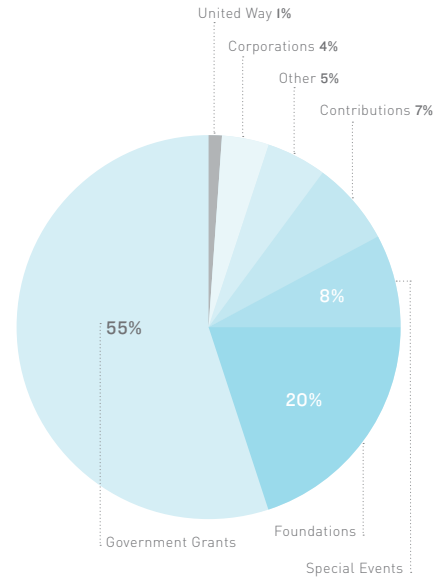
| ASSETS (Current Assets) | | LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS (Current liabilities) | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|
| Cash | \$124,423 | Accrued liabilities | \$173,277 |
| Grants receivable | \$1,011,167 | Advances on grants | \$335,129 |
| Prepaid expenses | \$51,289 | | |
| Total current assets | \$1,186,879 | Total current liabilities | \$508,406 |
| Deposits | \$21,646 | Commitments & Contingencies | |
| Equipment – net | \$121 | Unrestricted net assets | \$700,240 |
| | | | |
| Total assets | \$1,208,646 | Total liabilities and net assets | \$1,208,646 |

Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016



Income Statement

| REVENUES, GAINS & OTHER SUPPORT | | EXPENSES | |
|--|--------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Special events | \$297,932 | Program services | \$2,754,684 |
| Contributions – general | \$125,985 | Management and general | \$436,378 |
| Government grants | \$1,979,446 | Fundraising | \$256,792 |
| United Way | \$1,744 | | |
| Foundations | \$730,151 | Total Expenses | \$3,447,354 |
| Corporations | \$260,677 | Changes in unrestricted net assets | \$121,807 |
| Interest | \$36 | Beginning unrestricted net assets | \$578,433 |
| Other | \$173,190 | Ending unrestricted net assets | \$700,240 |
| | | | |
| Total revenues, gains and other support | \$3,569,131 | | |



AT A GLANCE



2 sites: WSGV & Metro

45 years in existence

13,000 survivors served

27,851 people served

125 violence prevention trainings taught in schools

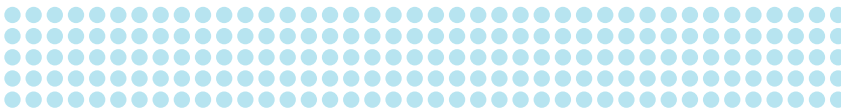
38 Youth Over Violence Leadership Institute graduates

1,070 women & girls trained in self defense

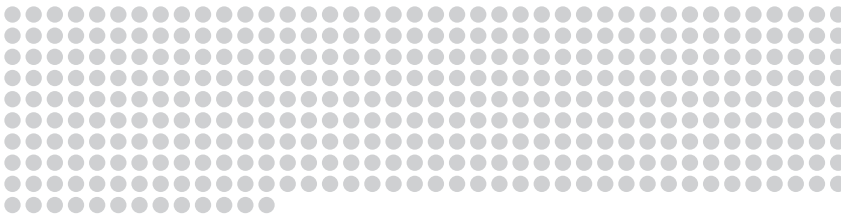
48 Staff



200+ Volunteers



373 Partners & Allies





Our Emergency Services offer victims of sexual assault, domestic violence and intimate partner stalking emotional support, information, compassion, accompaniment, referral and advocacy services, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

PEACE OVER VIOLENCE IS A TRAUMA RECOVERY CENTER

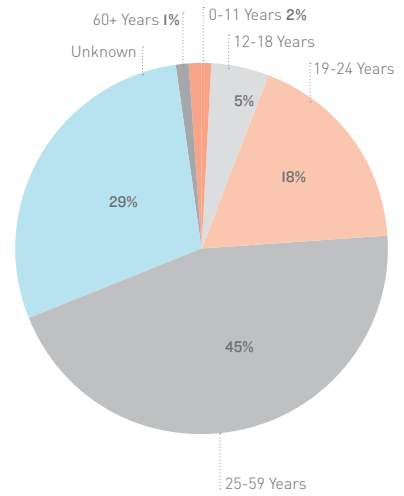
In an unprecedented partnership, The Downtown Women's Center, the only organization in Los Angeles exclusively dedicated to addressing the needs of women on Skid Row, and Peace Over Violence, the oldest rape crisis center in Southern California, came together to establish the Los Angeles Trauma Recovery Center (TRC). The TRC allows POV to continue providing trauma informed healing services for survivors of sexual and domestic violence while being able to provide additional support through the partnership with the Downtown Women's Center's specialized services such as housing, case management and medical services.

Myra breathes slowly, and pays attention to how her body is making contact with the chair and the floor. She notices her breathing, heart rate, she slowly scans her body as she practices a simple grounding exercise. The memories of her assault sometimes are overwhelming and prevent her from feeling safe. After a few minutes with her trauma therapist sitting next to her, Myra is able to experience safety in mind, body and spirit.

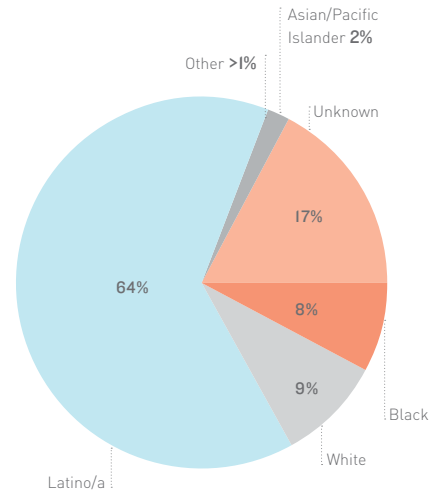
Myra became connected to POV after a counselor advocate responded to a local emergency room to provide her with supportive services. She was in ER because she had recently been sexual assaulted, but it was not the first time that she experienced this type of violence. Due to a history of trauma Myra was in crisis and completely shut down. She was first raped as a young girl and had no support, which led her to struggle as an adult. She felt alone and had numerous experiences of sexual violence and unhealthy relationships. Looking for a way out, Myra engaged in self-destructive behaviors in an attempt to cope with all of the violence she experienced.

After this last incident when she was attacked and raped by her boyfriend, Myra was ready to go to the nearest hospital and get help. That's when her healing journey began. After enduring the abuse for three years she left the relationship. Myra lost her housing and was unable to hold down a steady job because of all of the trauma she experienced in her life. Financial independence was an unforeseen option. Through the partnership with the Downtown Women's Center Myra and her case managers were able to achieve some stability. She lives at the DWC's transitional housing facilities and receives psychological services at POV to help heal from the wounds of abuse. The Trauma Recovery Center works to heal the pain that trauma survivors endure. Through this partnership, our organizations have become powerful allies in the healing journey of survivors—many for the very first time—to access support and comprehensive trauma-informed services.

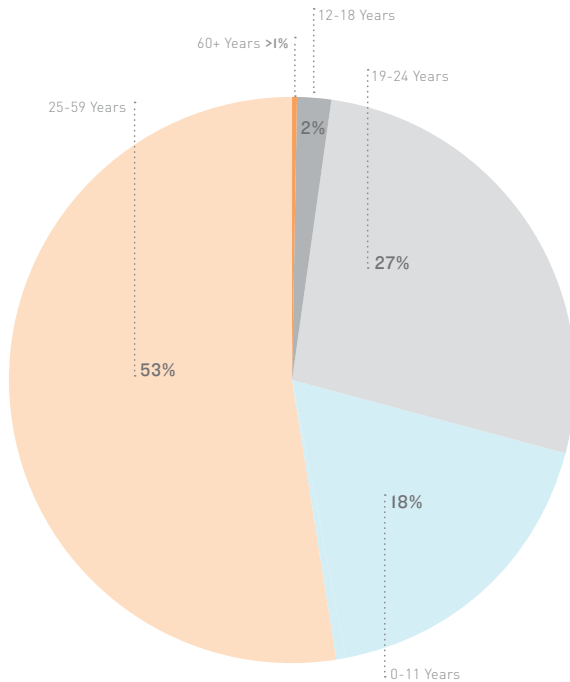
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EMERGENCY RESPONSES ETHNICITY



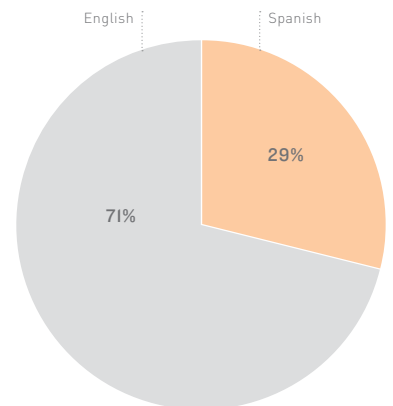
**LA RAPE & BATTERING HOTLINE
CALLER AGE**



INTERVENTION

Our Intervention Services provide individual and group counseling for survivors of sexual assault, domestic and relationship violence, stalking, and child sexual abuse. We solve short-term crises and facilitate the healing process for long-term empowerment. We serve the specialized needs of Latina, Deaf, Disabled, Elder, youth and LGBTQ Communities in LA and West San Gabriel Valley.

**LA RAPE & BATTERING HOTLINE
CALLER LANGUAGE**



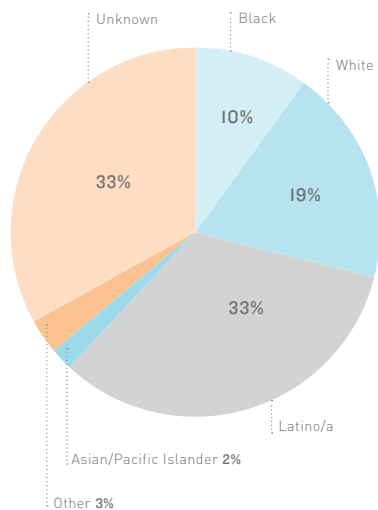
24-HOUR HOTLINE CRISIS CALLS

| | | |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Sexual Assault | 2,976 | 28.2% |
| Domestic Violence | 5,096 | 48.3% |
| Legal Advocacy | 208 | 2.0% |
| Intimate Partner Stalking | 131 | 1.2% |
| Information and Referral | 1,353 | 12.8% |
| Other Crises (Non SA/DV) | 780 | 7.4% |
| Total | 10,544 | 100% |

INTERVENTION SERVICES

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Counseling/Therapy Services | 328 |
| Sexual Assault Emergency Response Team (SART & Hospitals) | 302 |
| Sexual Assault Response (Non SART) | 32 |
| Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) Hollenbeck, Hollywood, Northeast and Central LAPD Divisions | 996 |
| Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) - Children served Hollenbeck, Hollywood, Northeast and Central LAPD Divisions | 181 |
| Domestic Violence Response Police Station (Non-DART divisions) | 40 |
| Sexual Assault Walk-ins | 52 |
| Domestic Violence Walk-ins | 63 |
| Legal Advocacy Services | 194 |
| Total | 2,300 |

LA RAPE & BATTERING HOTLINE CALLER ETHNICITY





PREVENTION

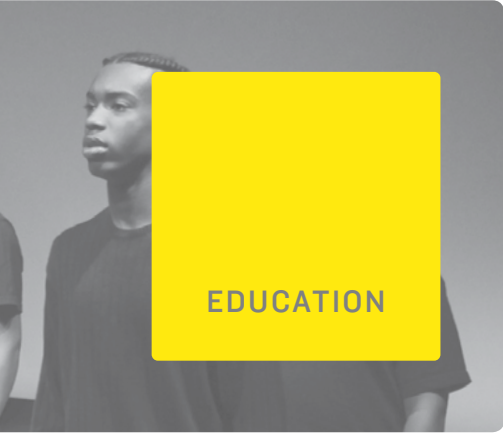
Our prevention services empower individuals of all ages to prevent violence with non-violence through targeted trainings.

Our Youth Over Violence programs foster youth development. They are geared toward teens and young adults, preparing them to prevent violence, sexual assault and harassment. In Touch With Teens is a program focusing on violence among youth, and supporting youth in making positive decisions about their lives and their futures.

We also offer specialized self defense and safety training for kids, youth, women with disabilities and seniors, concentrating on physical and mental skills for defending against violence.

PREVENTION EDUCATION, PROFESSIONAL TRAINING & OUTREACH

| | Training/ Presentation | Participants |
|---|---------------------------|---------------|
| Prevention Community Education | 322 | 9,990 |
| Prevention Professional Training | 1 | 20 |
| Intervention Community Education | 66 | 1,100 |
| Self Defense & Safety | 19 | 10,70 |
| Intervention Professional Training | 47 | 918 |
| Deaf, Disabled & Elder Services Community Education | 31 | 662 |
| Deaf, Disabled & Elder Professional Training | 13 | 122 |
| Deaf, Disabled & Elder Self Defense | 8 | 148 |
| Executive Team Professional Education | 7 | 977 |
| Total | 514 | 15,007 |



ENGAGING MEN PROJECT

Across the country, youth are deeply involved in struggles for equity and social justice, including the movement to end violence against women. Young people have long been leaders in social change efforts and today's youth are increasingly supported in this work through innovative leadership development programs. The Engaging Men Project is one of them. Created as a collaboration among Peace Over Violence, Brotherhood Crusade and

the Amazing Grace Conservatory, young leaders use theater and performance art as innovative and holistic approaches to prevent violence against women.


For over three years now, members of the Engaging Men Project have written and performed various original pieces involving theater, dance, music and spoken word about issues of violence impacting their lives and communities. One of these youth is Javonne. He was born and raised in Compton, CA by his grandmother. With the tools he learned from his mentors, Javonne has merged his gift of storytelling and acting with his commitment to the movement of violence prevention. Through participating in the Engaging Men Project Javonne was able to begin healing from emotional and physical trauma that he experienced as a child. Not only did Javonne graduate from High School but he was accepted to California State University, Dominguez Hills.

The Engaging Men Project provides a rich context for learning and growth, particularly for youth who have been traditionally marginalized by our institutions and systems. Through creative and artistic work, youth position themselves not as the leaders of tomorrow, but as leaders of today, engaging and leading dialogues within their communities. Peace Over Violence is committed to this enterprise of creating safe and healthy communities, since "violence is learned, it can be unlearned." Javonne is just one example of many of the bold, courageous youth leaders, who are challenging violence, commanding respect, and forging the way forward of male leadership in ending violence against women.



"An estimated 28% of young people experience violence in a dating relationship, about the same rate as adult domestic violence. The LA Kings are proud to partner with Peace Over Violence on their Youth Over Violence Leadership program, working to break the cycle of violence at a young age. Our voices can make a difference and the work that POV is doing is needed now more than ever."

**– Luc Robitaille,
LA Kings President**



**DENIM
DAY
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**SEXUAL
VIOLENCE
PREVENTION
AND EDUCATION
CAMPAIGN**

**THERE IS NO
EXCUSE
AND NEVER
AN INVITATION
TO RAPE**

“In every high-profile case that comes up, you hear all this banter back and forth and really harmful speculation. What’s in it for her? What does she want to get out of this? You hear those things as a survivor and what does that tell you? It tells you this is how they’re going to treat me if I ever come forward.”

—Survivor Kamillah Willingham

On April 26, 2016, tens of millions of people throughout the world participated in Denim Day by wearing jeans, organizing events on college and high school campuses, creating fundraisers to support their rape crisis center.

GEARING UP FOR DENIM DAY AT MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART

On March 22nd, Peace Over Violence launched our “Gear Up for Denim Day” season with a celebration hosted by the GUESS Foundation. The cocktail party was held at the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) in Downtown LA and featured moving words from GUESS CEO and Co-founder Paul Marciano, Executive Director Patti Giggans, spokespeople Maya Jupiter and Aloe Blacc, survivor Kamilla Washington and Dr. Astrid Heger.

Attendees of the event were moved and inspired by the performance from California State University, Northridge’s premiere A Cappella group, Acasola, with a performance of Lady Gaga and Diana Warren’s, “Til It Happens To You,” written for the film *The Hunting Ground*.

USC HOSTS 1st DENIM DAY CAMPUS POP-UP EVENT

For the first time ever POV and the GUESS Foundation held a Campus Activation event featuring a brand new Denim Day Pop-Up Newsstand at the University of Southern California. This event was organized in collaboration with USC’s Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services (RSVP). The stand contained educational material, an interactive photo booth that encouraged social media participation and free coffee! Over 500 students, faculty and administration visited the pop-up and learned about ways to spread the Denim Day message that there is no excuse and never an invitation to rape.

ALOE BLACC & MAYA JUPITER, DENIM DAY SPOKESCOUPLE

For the fourth year, Maya Jupiter and Aloe Blacc lent their support as our Denim Day Spokescouple. Both individuals use their passion for music and social justice along with their platforms to spread awareness about sexual violence. Together they made the Denim Day promise as they continue to exemplify what it means to engage in a healthy relationship and actively support survivors.

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VOLUNTEERS OVER VIOLENCE

Peace Over Violence volunteers and interns play a pivotal role in our work as we mobilize in the community and connect with survivors in Los Angeles and beyond.

Our foundation is built on the commitment and leadership of our volunteers. We continue to be effective in huge part to the individuals who dedicate their time and their hearts to the efforts

in achieving our mission and our vision of a world without violence.

Want to join the movement to end violence?
For volunteers opportunities at Peace Over Violence, email info@peaceoverviolence.org.

Thank you volunteers!

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GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

California Department of Public Health
County of LA Department of Public Social Services, Calworks
County of LA, First Five, via Korean Youth & Community Center
California Office of Emergency Services (CALOES)
City of LA Family Source via Latino Resource Organization Inc.
City of Los Angeles - Gang Reduction Youth Development via El Centro del Pueblo
CDC via California Partnership to End Domestic Violence
California State Victims' Compensation Program
via Downtown Women's Center
U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women
The LA Mayor's Office of Homeland Security's Public Safety
Mexican Consulate
Office on Violence Against Women
via Occidental College

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PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

To achieve a world without violence Peace Over Violence offers programs and services in five areas: Emergency, Intervention, Prevention, Education and Advocacy.

To get more information about a particular division, program or service, please contact us at 213.955.9090 or visit our website peaceoverviolence.org.

EMERGENCY

- 24 Hour Rape & Battering Hotline
- Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)
- Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART)

INTERVENTION

- Individual Crisis Counseling
- Parenting Support and Classes
- Support Groups for Survivors of Rape, Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Stalking & Incest
- Specialized Services for Latina, Deaf, Disabled, Elder, LGBTQ & Teens
- Case Management

PREVENTION

- Be Strong
- High Risk Youth Services
- In Touch With Teens
- Kid's Self Defense and Safety
- My Strength
- Personal Security Awareness Training
- Stay Strong LA
- Students Together Organizing Peace (STOP)
- Self Defense Workshops
- Women's Self Defense & Safety

EDUCATION

- Financial Literacy Education
- Community Education & Organizing
- Cultural Diversity Training
- In Touch With Teens Curriculum
- Legal Clinics
- Multi-language Publications
- Parenting for Healthy Relationships
- Counselor / Advocate Volunteer Training
- Violence Prevention Specialist Training
- Voices Over Violence

ADVOCACY

- Consultation for Film, TV, Radio & Print Media
- Denim Day in LA & USA
- Hospital & Court Accompaniment
- Legal Advocacy Project

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