

WISCONSIN COALITION AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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Creating social change to end sexual violence.

WCASA promotes change in Wisconsin communities through

education, prevention and public policy work.

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ABOUT WCASA

WCASA is a statewide coalition and membership agency, dedicated to providing support and complimenting the work of Wisconsin sexual assault service provider (SASP) agencies, that are working to end sexual violence and offer support, advocacy and information to its victims of sexual assault and their families.

WCASA works to ensure that every survivor in Wisconsin gets the support and care they need. Through its collaboration with organizations across the state, WCASA creates the social change necessary to end all forms of sexual violence. Together, we are creating a socially just world in which all people value equity and healthy sexuality.

Anti-Oppression Framework

WCASA believes that to achieve our mission of ending sexual violence, we must also end all forms of oppression. Anti-oppression work is, in fact, also sexual violence prevention work. We stand in solidarity with our allies working on issues of racial justice and other oppressions. Recognizing that women of color* face multiple layers of marginalization with race/ethnicity and gender, WCASA commits to focusing on all forms of oppression while keeping the voices of women of color at the center. Our strategies and commitments are listed below.



^{*}WCASA uses the Women of Color Network definition of 'women of color'

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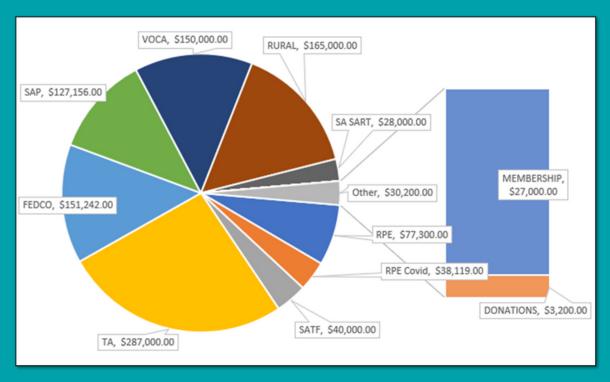
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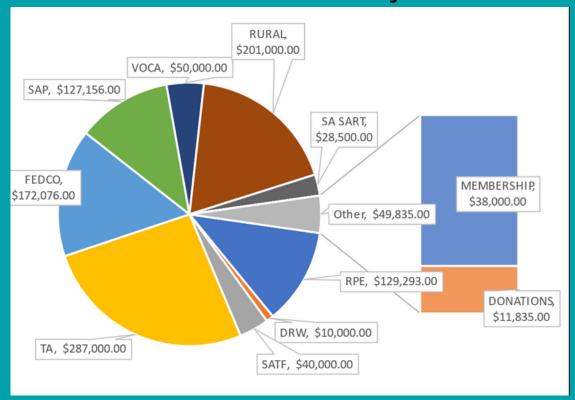


Finances

FY2020/21 Income Sources



FY2022 Projected Income

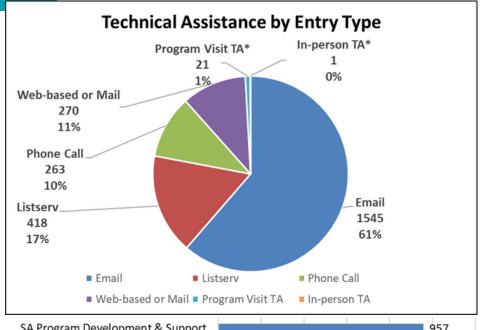


Technical Assistance

TA contacts

WCASA staff provide technical assistance to designated Sexual Assault Service Providers (SASPs) as well as other service providers, and the community at large. Of those recorded, approximately 53% of technical assistance went to any type of sexual assault service provider, through either a WCASA-designated SASP or other sexual assault service provider (1,326 combined / 2,518 total TAs) and 42% of all technical assistance went to just WCASA designated-SASPs (1,065 SASP TAS / 2,518 total TAs).

Top 6 TA categories





Events

Total attendance: 8,141

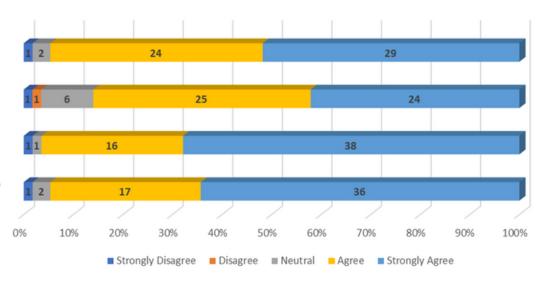
1 in-person training129 online trainings130 total trainings

I was able to apply knowledge and/or skills gained to my work

I was exposed to new information and/or resources

I would request TA from WCASA again in the future

I would recommend WCASA TA to partners and/or other programs



Highlights





3,767 page likes on Facebook

 3.6% increase since last year's annual meeting

2,518 followers on Twitter

 1.0% increase since last year's annual meeting

Anti-Oppression Framework

WCASA commits to focusing on all forms of oppression while keeping the voices of women of color at the center. The following strategies and commitments help keep us accountable.

Anti-Racism Work - Internal

We have continued with our internal groups for staff of color and white folks. It is important to note that the groups function differently – and that is intentional. While the white folks work group is open and accountable to SOC, the alternate is not true. SOC meetings are closed, uninterrupted and not required to report-back or share what was discussed.

We developed these spaces more than 5 years ago and we are just as committed to the work that goes on in these spaces. We have also shared with other programs how we maintain these groups, as SASPs look to develop their own spaces.

Anti-Racism Work - External

- Continue to offer Anti-Racism in SAVAS
- Provide individual trainings to SASPs
- Prioritize Anti-Racism in all trainings
- Brandi Grayson training in collaboration with End Abuse

Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women (MMIW)

- RFP Research Team Selected
- 4 Subcommittees/Workgroups
- Media/Public Awareness
- Police Academy Training/MMIW-Indigenous Community Education now included

SAFE Bar Network

- New bystander prevention initiative
- 11 sites selected to participate



Strategies

- Devote full attention and investment to communities of color
- Recognize and value culturally-specific organizations and their work
- Listen to and honor the voices of women of color and then act, based on guidance
- Grow support for women of color in the movement
- Understand historical trauma and its ongoing impact today
- Educate ourselves about anti-oppression
- Aspire to be an ally
- Acknowledge your white privilege and use it to challenge systems of oppression

