



LAWS AT A GLANCE FY 2023

In 1984, three Loudoun County women with \$3,000 and immeasurable passion founded LAWS Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Services (LAWS), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, as Loudoun Citizens for Social Justice, Inc. to safely shelter women fleeing domestic violence and address other social injustices. Over the last nearly 40 years, LAWS has expanded its services and support to meet resident needs.

LAWS' mission is to provide victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse with safety, hope and empowerment services to live as survivors free from the effects of violence.

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| L | Legal and Forensic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal representation/consults (protective orders, family law) • Loudoun Child Advocacy Center |
| A | Advocacy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety planning • Court & forensic medical exam accompaniments • Court preparation & guidance • Service referrals |
| W | Wellbeing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult and child trauma therapy and support groups • Violence prevention training and technical assistance |
| S | Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelter, safety planning, and basic needs assistance • 24/7 survivor hotline • Domestic Assault Response Team (DART) program management |

In addition to our core services programs, LAWS operates the Resourceful Woman Thrift Store, which supports survivors with clothing and household goods while also raising program funds through store sales.

In Fiscal Year 2023, the LAWS' team* provided:

- **1,211 individuals** with direct intervention and prevention services.
- **3,772 bed nights of safe shelter** to **98 adults** and **76 children** fleeing imminent danger.
- **663 adult victims of domestic violence** provided with services including crisis services, advocacy, financial assistance, and therapy.
- **117 adult victims of sexual assault** provided with services including therapy and advocacy.
- **178 child abuse victims** with forensic interviews, family advocacy, and trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy (TF-CBT) through the Loudoun Child Advocacy Center.
- **1,460 crisis hotline call responses** on the LAWS' 24-hour hotline.
- **274 victims with legal representation** on protective orders, child custody, and other family law matters.

*32 staff, 10 board members, 71 volunteers (nearly 5,000 volunteer hours!)

In FY23, we carried out LAWS' mission with a \$3.1 million budget. Funding sources included: government and private grants; individual and organization donations; fundraising events; and The Resourceful Woman shop sales.