

Victims of Violence Intervention Program Newsletter

# **Fulfilling Our Mission**

Victims of Violence Intervention Program provides services to those impacted by domestic and sexual violence and offers education, advocacy, and awareness in the community.

To spread awareness and thank our supporters, we have created a newsletter. Much has changed at the Artemis House in the past year, and we want to continue to serve survivors of violence through comprehensive advocacy services and strive for violence-free communities through awareness and education.

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### We are here to help.

- Education & Awareness
- Emergency Shelter
- Advocacy
- 24- Hour Crisis Line

### **Services Provided in 2022**

- 2,937 Crisis Calls Received
  - 336 Clients Provided Services
    - 112 Clients Provided Shelter
- 6934 Total Shelter Days

#### Staff

Renae Servaty – Executive Director Stacy Edwards – Program Director Angela Hanson – Shelter Advocate Elaina Sparrow – Community Advocate Hannah Andres – Sexual Assault Advocate Gretchen Harrison– Shelter Coordinator Keanan Brown – Shelter Assistant

### https://www.artemishouse.org

#### **Meet the Advocacy Team**

Survivor Support

#### **ELAINA SPARROW**

I attended the University of Wyoming and graduated with my Bachelor's of Social Work. While earning my degree, I worked with a variety of populations including teens, the elderly, and those with developmental and intellectual disabilities. I enjoy my work as an advocate because it allows me the opportunity to create a real impact in my clients' lives. The individuals I work with may be experiencing one of the most difficult points in their lives, and it brings me a lot of joy to know I can help support and walk with them.

#### HANNAH ANDRES

After completing a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies from Willamette University in 2019, I attended the University of Geneva Ecumenical Institute and completed Masters of Divinity from the Claremont School of Theology. I began serving as the Sexual Assault Advocate in May of 2022. I genuinely love this job and there's not any one thing that makes that true. I look forward to the days I'm able to help clients prepare for court proceedings like protection orders and custody hearings. As the the coordinator for the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART), I have made relationships and connections with other organizations that are also invested in the prevention of sexual assault in our communities. Mostly, I like this organization and job which provides a service clearly needed in this community and service area in a way which prioritizes empowerment and promotes personal growth of the clients we work with.

#### **ANGELA HANSON**

After graduating with a Bachelors in Human Services and Sociology from Black Hills State University, I gained valuable experiences working at Northern Hills Training Center, Crisis Care Center, and Canyon Hills Center. I genuinely love assisting people going through a hard time in their lives. For some people this may end up being the hardest time in their lifetime, and I feel privileged to be able to help them through this turbulent time. I am proud that I get to be a stepping stone in so many people's lives helping to empower them to take their lives back. I think we all here at Artemis House feel proud when clients report feeling safe and that their children feel safe and at ease in our shelter. That personally means the world to me.









Public awareness and education on issues surrounding domestic and sexual violence.

# **April Events**

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In recognition of Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM), VVIP is spreading the message of the National theme: **Drawing Connections- Prevention Demands Equity** We can work together to create the kind of equitable, respectful communities we want to live in.

Join us for our April Awareness Activities!

### Grab a LATTE at Green Bean or Black Bird in Spearfish 20% of latte proceeds in April go to Artemis House

#### Join us and wear TEAL on TUESDAYS

Post your photo to spread awareness on IG with #saam2023 #saamsd #artemishousespearfish #vvipinc #tealtuesdays



# **How You Can Help**

Victims of Violence Intervention Program is largely funded by federal, state, and local grants. However, donations from community members allows us to offer tailored services to meet the needs of each individual client.

#### **Give for Greatest Impact**

**Cash Donation** 

#### **Current Shelter Needs**

Vacuum Cleaner Small TV Wall Mounts High Top Table with 6 Stools/chairs Clear plastic bins Plastic totes Plastic Hangers Paper Towels HE Laundry Detergent

#### Volunteer

VVIP is currently recruiting community members to serve on the Board of Directors beginning in June. We are seeking individuals with experience in fundraising, human resources, accounting, and IT. If you have a passion for service, please apply!





# Contributions

VVIP is funded by federal, state and local grants, and private contributions which enables us to provide shelter, advocacy and emergency services to survivors. A sincere thank you to 2022 supporters!

### 2022 Donors

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VVIP operates through collaboration with area grantors and agencies allowing us to offer support services for survivors.

### 2022 Grantors

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### **2022 Agency Partners**

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