#### MINNESOTA ALLIANCE ON CRIME



# ANNUAL REPORT

2022

Fiscal Year 2022 July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022



# **2022 SUMMARY**

#### message from the executive director

Dear Members and Allies:

FY22 brought MAC challenges, heartbreak, new beginnings, and so much more. With pride and sadness, we said goodbye to two long standing MAC staff. Julia Tindell moved on to put her Public Health graduate degree to very good use at MDH. We are so glad she remains in our advocacy network! As you all know, Danielle Kluz suffered a severe stroke last December and is not able to return MAC. We celebrate her marked achievements and continue to hope for even brighter days ahead.



We are eternally grateful for the support of our members, allies, the board of directors, and funders as MAC weathered unforeseen changes. We were able to continue to move forward because of all the support we received. When one chapter ends, another begins.

Kim Mongoven joined the MAC staff in January 2022. First in a contract capacity and in February 2022 as the full-time Program Director of Communications and Development. Kim came to MAC with a wealth of experience and was formerly the Communications and Development Director at a statewide coalition. Kim is such an asset to MAC in so many ways. If you haven't met Kim yet, please send her an email to introduce yourself. I know Kim really enjoyed getting to know some of you during the spring regional meetings. Kim is also quite an urban farmer! Ask her about her chickens, cats, or dog Mazie who makes frequent appearances during meetings.

Becca Muskat joined the MAC staff in April 2022 as the Program Director of Training. Becca came to MAC from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). Becca not only has experience in developing and facilitating training to meet the needs of practitioners and advocates, she also has connections to national trainers and networks that share common interests with MAC. If you haven't met Becca, please send her an email to introduce yourself. I suggest you ask her about her puppy, Burt, who gives all of us at MAC much needed rays of sunshine and also makes frequent appearances during Zoom meetings.



#### **2022 SUMMARY**

# message from the executive director continued

Like many of you, the volatile labor market has had an affect on MAC. While all of our funded staff positions are filled, there has been much turn-over on our board of directors. Some directors have had to step away from the board due to job changes or increased workload due to being short staffed. I am grateful for the steadfast leadership of the executive committee and remaining directors. I invite you all to consider if you have the capacity to join the board and help lead MAC through development of our next strategic plan.

In November, MAC will begin working consultant, Naaima Khan, with Create Good, on the development of our next 3-year strategic plan. We celebrate the incredible work that came out of our last strategic plan that laid a solid foundation to build upon as we look forward.

I am extremely grateful to our funders, individual donors, member programs, collaborative partners, and allies for your continued support and trust. Together we will continue to improve responses to crime victims and address the systemic issues that cause oppression and re-victimization. I want to specifically name the office of Justice Programs and the Otto Bremer Trust. MAC received additional grant funds form both of these organizations that enabled us to grow our training program and meet the needs of MAC member programs.

MAC is heading in to FY23 with more certainty that we can continue to advance our mission, and more conviction to ensure all victims of crime, especially BIPOC victims, receive comprehensive, supportive, and informed services when they make the decision to seek assistance.

As I look forward to celebrating seven years at MAC, I believe the best is yet to come for MAC, our member programs, and all victims of crime in Minnesota.

In Peace!

Bobbi Holtberg



# **ABOUT MAC**

#### mission and core values

The mission of the Minnesota Alliance on Crime (MAC) is to connect systems, service providers, and victims to advance the response for all victims of crime.

#### **CORE VALUES**

- We oppose the use of all forms of violence and affirm the basic human right of every person to live without fear or the threat of victimization throughout the course of one's life.
- We seek a criminal justice system that is fair and accessible to all crime victims, and where meaningful rights for crime victims are routinely honored.
- We stand in solidarity with efforts around the world to end all forms of discrimination, exploitation, victimization, and violence.
- We recognize that forms of oppression based on race, gender/gender identity, class, ethnicity, nationality, immigration status, disability, age, religion and sexual orientation create a climate of supremacy and ownership that facilitates the use of ongoing violence and victimization.
- We believe in the strength of diversity, embrace the differences among ourselves and within our communities, and promote the development of leadership in all communities.
- We are dedicated to prevention efforts to confront and change cultural norms and practices that facilitate violence and victimization.
- We promote and encourage the leadership of victims/survivors in guiding our advocacy, policy, and training efforts.
- We affirm the power of collective and collaborative efforts to end violence and victimization
- We encourage reflection about our work and thoughtful evaluation of our efforts. We are committed to the ongoing development of innovative strategies and programs for our members and allies to better meet the diverse and emerging needs of crime victims.
- We commit to creating a work environment for staff and volunteers that respects diversity, fosters professional growth, encourages critical thinking and initiative, and promotes diligent, effective, and trauma informed advocacy efforts.

#### **MAC MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS**

Join us in our work to advance the response for all victims of crime throughout Minnesota. MAC offers membership to organizations and individuals around the state. For more information www.mnallianceoncrime.org/membership.

360 Communities

**AARC Shelter** 

Advocates for Family Peace

Anoka County

BCA

**Becker County Victim Services** 

Bloomington City Attorney

Breaking Free

**Brown County Probation** 

Carver County Attorney

Cass County

Chippewa County Attorney

Chisago County Attorney

Clay County Attorney

Clearwater County

Cook County Attorney

Cornerstone

Crime Victim Resource Center

**Crow Wing County** 

Crow Wing County Victim Services

Dakota County Attorney

Deborah Morrison

**DFO Community Corrections** 

**Diversion Solutions** 

Department of Corrections Victim

Services

Duluth City Attorney

Family Safety Network

Faribault County Attorney

Freeborn County

Friends Against Abuse

Hands of Hope

Hennepin County Attorney

HOPE Center

**HOPE** Coalition

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Isanti County

Itasca County Attorney

Kanabec County Victim Witness

Program

Kandiyohi County

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Lisa Smith

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Mid-Minnesota Women's Center

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Minnesota Children's Alliance

Minnesota Elder Justice Center

Minnesotans for Safe Driving

Moorhead City Attorney

New Horizons Crisis Center

Nicollet County

**Nobles County Attorney** 

Norman County Attorney

Olmsted County Attorney

Pennington County Attorney

Pine County Attorney

Polk County Attorney

Ramsey County Attorney

Ramsey County Sexual Assault Program

Red Lake Co. Victim Services

Redwood County

Renville County

Rice County Attorney

Rochester City Attorney

Roseau County

Safe Avenues

Shakopee Police

Someplace Safe

Southern MN Regional Legal

Services, Inc.

St. Louis County Attorney

St. Paul City Attorney

Standpoint

Stearns County Attorney

Stevens County Attorney

Support Within Reach

Survivor Resources

ThinkSelf

Unspoken Voices

**US** Attorney

Washington County Attorney

Watonwon County Attorney

White Earth DOVE Program

Winona County Attorney

Women of Nations

Women's Advocates

WRAP

Wright County Attorney

Yellow Medicine County Attorney

Zero Abuse Project-JWRC

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#### **2022 STRATEGIC GOALS**

#### **Manifesting our Mission**

- MAC staff worked with local and national partners to develop and test EVVA, a chatbot for victims of residential burglary around Minnesota to ensure that victims have access to traumainformed information 24/7.
- The staff and board continued our planned work to ensure MAC is actively striving to be an anti-racist and anti-oppressive organization. Including hosting 12-hour workshops/webinars led by Healing Roots for member organizations on European American Identity and Culture: A Foundation for Dismantling Whiteness & Racism
- Successfully completed the fifth year of our five-year strategic plan and are starting the process to create a new three-year plan.
- Completed our temporary program partnership with the Department of Corrections Victim Services to ensure victim notification of early releases around the state during COVID.

#### **Developing and Sustaining Core Programs**

- Provided training over 80 hours of training for over 730 individual members, allies, and community groups.
- Our three-day Fundamentals in Victim Services training in June 2022 and January 2022 assisted over 45 advocates in strengthening their advocacy skills with crime victims.
- Fulfilled over 100 technical assistance requests from over
   55 members and allied programs throughout Minnesota.
- Our electronic newsletter reached over 900 professionals in the field each month with the latest news from the field, resources, and training opportunities to advance all professionals skills within the field.
- We continue to offer fully online programming in response to COVID-19.



# **2022 STRATEGIC GOALS**

#### **Developing and Increasing MAC Membership**

- Staff participated in diverse online collaborative workgroups to build relationships with allies and stakeholders.
- 2021 Annual meeting was well-attended by members who set MAC's priorities for the next fiscal year.
- MAC hosted over 30 webinars, workshops, and training sessions for members throughout the year.
- MAC convened eight online regional membership meetings to engage member programs in networking and pertinent issuefocused discussions to better serve victims in their region.

#### **Engaging Stakeholders**

- MAC works in collaboration with local, state, national, and allied partners to increase the support and information available to all victims of crime.
- MAC meets regularly with other statewide criminal-legal stakeholders to identify and discuss emerging issues affecting crime victims.
- MAC meets monthly with other state crime victim service coalition directors to ensure collaboration and communication state-wide and locally.
- MAC increased our presence online with website upgrades, an increase in social media traffic, and newsletter sign-ups.
- MAC continues to work with local colleges and universities to train and develop students interested in the work of supporting victims' rights.



#### **FY2022 DONORS**



#### Fiscal Year 2022 Funders

Minnesota Department of Safety Office of Justice Programs
Research Triangle Institute
The Otto Bremer Trust
United Stated Department of Justice Office of Victims of Crime

#### **Fiscal Year 2022 Donors**

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Arthur Murray Dance

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Susie Hanson

Barb Hedstrom

Luke Hennen

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#### Donate to the Minnesota Alliance on Crime

The Minnesota Alliance on Crime thanks our funders, donors, in-kind supporters, and volunteersfor your support of our mission and strategic vision. Your generosity allows us to assist the work of our member programs and crime victims trhoughout the state. Go to www.mnallianceoncrime/donate to make a tax deductible donation to MAC!

mnallianceoncrime.org/donate

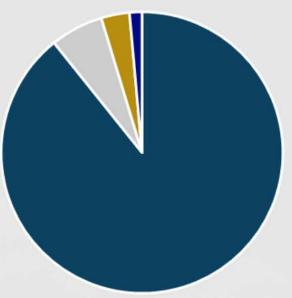
#### **FY2022 FINANCIALS**



#### **Income**

(July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022)

Total \$385,270

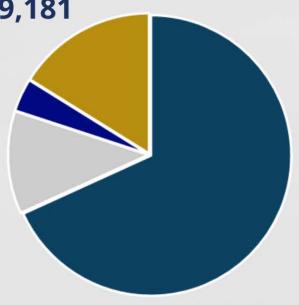


- Grants (\$343,905)
- Earned Income (\$23,362)
- In-Kind/Volunteer hrs (\$12,513)
- Donations (\$5,490)

#### **Expenses**

(July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022)





Unrestricted Cash on Hand as of 6/30/2022 \$61,709

- Salary and Benefits (\$285,887)
- Administrative Expenses (\$49,607)
- Training and Travel (\$16,011)
- Other (\$67,676)



# 2021 SPOTLIGHT AWARD

# Aaron Gutzke, Executive Director, ThinkSelf, Inc.



"Aaron has been on many adventures throughout his working life, and few of them clearly set him on a path to lead an organization that seeks justice and equity for survivors of crime and violence. But, as he likes to say, this work chose Aaron. And, in turn, every day Aaron wakes up and chooses to do the right thing by his community and create opportunities for motivated and talented employees to grow, discover their passions, learn, and connect.

Aaron's affability, insightfulness, courage, and capacity to connect with his colleagues has given our young organization the foundation it needs to be innovative and to challenge systems that maintain an inequitable and unjust status quo. Even during some of the darkest times of the pandemic - and his personal life - Aaron has always been there for those who need him most. He's always ready to create space, listen with an open heart and mind, and roll up his sleeves and do whatever is needed to keep things moving forward."

Maggie Bangert ThinkSelf, St. Paul, MN



# BOARD AND STAFF

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