

MINNESOTA ALLIANCE ON CRIME



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2026



Fiscal Year 2026

July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

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2026 SUMMARY

message from the executive director

Dear MAC Members and Allies:



So much change has happened in this last year for MAC. Starting with our executive director of 10 years, Bobbi Holtberg, leaving and passing the torch to me. While we spent a year succession planning before I became executive director, I had no idea how much I had yet to learn.

A few days after I started in the role, Renee Good was killed in Minneapolis. We found ourselves hosting a community healing event with therapy dogs, singing, an art wall, guided movement sessions, and more pasta than anyone could eat. I am very proud of what we managed to pull off with just a few days of planning. This event was connected to a grant that we had been administering since 2023, Minnesota Heals. That grant provided direct client assistance to families who lost loved ones due to law enforcement use of deadly force. The grant ended on June 30th, 2026, and in the first six months of 2026 we helped more families than we did in the entirety of 2025.

A few weeks into the year we learned that we needed a new accountant, and that we needed to review months of financials. This brought with it a new level of scrutiny from our grant managers that MAC had never experienced. We quickly found an accounting firm and got to work better understanding how things have been done in the past, and what we needed to do to update our practices and policies.

Paired with a very busy time of year for our Minnesota Heals grant, which found us at one point needing to pay nearly \$60,000 in direct client assistance for funerals, MAC struggled with cash flow. Reimbursements took longer, but expenses kept coming. There were times I worried about the future of MAC.

Then we turned the corner, we worked with our board to overhaul our financial policies and make sure they were not stuck in the past of paper records and in-office work. We changed accounting software, finally got rid of paper checks, got a company credit card, and switched payroll providers. I am so grateful for this very trying time. It forced us to become a better organization. We now fully understand our financial practices, they are in line with how we actually function, and we have an accounting firm that gives us a lot of confidence.

During this difficult time, we still managed to put out excellent trainings, to support victims and their families. We helped secure \$12 million in funding for crime victim services and continued to support our member programs. I am proud of the systems we now have in place, and I am excited about MAC's future. I am most looking forward to thinking less about financials and survival, and more about assisting member programs and securing long term funding solutions for crime victim services in Minnesota.

I appreciate your grace as I made this transition as executive director of MAC. I am so excited about MAC's future and I am looking forward to serving our members for years to come.

Take care,
Becca



ABOUT MAC

mission, vision, and core values

MISSION

MAC advances a collective movement to reduce systemic barriers for persons impacted by crime.

VISION

MAC envisions a world where persons impacted by crime, particularly those that are historically marginalized, have the opportunity to heal, restore balance to their lives, and achieve justice.

VALUES

- **Equity:** We prioritize underserved communities and work to increase equitable outcomes for those impacted by crime.
- **Trauma-Responsive:** We strive to promote safety, security, and self-determination of people impacted by crime through modeling compassionate support in our work.
- **Centering Survivors:** We center people impacted by crime regardless of external societal shifts and rely on their leadership to guide our advocacy, policy, and training efforts.
- **Solidarity:** We model courage and active allyship with efforts to counter oppression across all factors of difference.

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FY26 WORK IN ACTION



Therapy dogs at the Gathering for Good community healing event



Joint Annual Meeting 2025

MAC MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS FY26

Join us in our work to advances a collective movement to reduce systemic barriers for persons impacted by crime. MAC offers membership to organizations and individuals around the state. For more information www.mnallianceoncrime.org/membership.

360 Communities

Aaliyah Jensen

Advocates for Family Peace

Agape Child Development Center
(Oasis of Love Crisis Intervention)

Amee Krogfus

Andrew Young

Anoka County Attorney's Office

Anoka County Sheriff's Office

Benton County Victim Services

Blaine Police Department

Bloomington City Attorneys Office

Breaking Free

Brown County Attorney's Office

CADA

CAPLP

Carlton County Attorney's Office

Carver County Attorney's Office

Chisago County Attorney's Office

City of Bloomington Attorney's
Office

Clay County Attorney's Office

Clay County Detox

Community University Health Care
(CUHC)

Cook County Attorneys Office

Cornerstone Advocacy Service

Crime Victims Resource Center

Crow Wing County Victim Services

Dakota County Attorney's Office

Department of Corrections: Victim
Services and Restorative Justice
Unit

Dodge & Olmsted Community
Corrections

Erin Setala LLC

Family Pathways

Family Safety Network

Faribault County Attorney's Office

Friends Against Abuse

God's Child Project

Hands of Hope Resource Center

Hennepin County Attorney's Office

Hennepin County Safe

Communities

Hennepin Healthcare Next Step
Program

HOPE Coalition

Immigrant Law Center of

Minnesota

Isanti County SAIC/Victim Services

Itasca County Attorney's Office

Jackson County Attorney's Office

Jacob Wetterling Resource Center

Kanabec County Attorney's Office

Kandiyohi County Attorney's Office

Kaylin Polk

KiloMarie Granda

Le Sueur County Victim/Witness
Program

Lizzy LaVictor

Mary Whitney

Meeker County Attorney's Office

Meghan Hennessey

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe

Minneapolis City Attorney's Office

Minnesota Center for Psychology

Minnesota Children's Alliance

Minnesota Elder Justice Center

Minnesota Indigenous Women's
Society

Missing Children Minnesota

Missions Inc

MN Indigenous Women's Society

Moorhead City Prosecutor's Office

New Horizons Crisis Center

Nicollet County Attorney's Office

Nobles County Attorney's Office

Norman County Attorney's Office

Northeast Youth and Family
Services

Pillsbury United Communities

Polk County Attorney's Office

Ramsey County Attorney's
Office

Relationship Safety Alliance

Rochester City Attorney's
Office

Roseau County Victim Services

Safe Avenues

Someplace Safe

Southern Minnesota Regional
Legal Services

Southern Valley Alliance

Standpoint

St. Louis County Attorney's
Office

St. Paul City Attorney's Office

Stearns County Attorney's
Office

Stories Foundation

Sunny Love LLC

ThinkSelf, Inc.

Watsonwan County Victim
Witness Program

Women Planting Seeds

Women's Advocates

WoMen's Rural Advocacy
Programs (WRAP)

Wright County Victim Services

Yellow Medicine County
Attorney's Office



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FY26 IMPACT

Training and Technical Assistance

- During FY26 MAC offered 52 hours of training attended by 530 individuals. An additional 510 people viewed archived trainings.
- MAC convened a joint annual meeting with the five other coalitions and held focused discussions about the most important issues facing victims and advocates in Minnesota, as well as training sessions.
- MAC visited several programs, attended member programs' fundraisers and events, and included member programs when helping plan policy discussions with other organizations.
- The Safeguard program provided 7 wellness sessions to member programs at no cost to the programs.
- MAC staff responded to 97 technical assistance requests.

Outreach and Policy Change

- MAC attended and tabled various events (MMIR march, MMBWG Day on the Hill, Indigenous Sexual Violence Prevention Summit, OJP Conference, Crime Victims Rights Week, Coalition Action Day)
- Along with the five other anti-violence coalitions, MAC hosted Action Day at the state capitol on March 11th, 2026.
- MAC worked with the five other coalitions and a lobbyist to advance critical one time funding of \$12 million for crime victim services, and supported legislation to improve domestic violence statutes.
- MAC is a part of the Justice for All Coalition, a multi-disciplinary group of organizations working to improve the criminal legal system for everyone.
- MAC regularly works with the Minnesota Justice Research Center to provide input on policy that affects victims and advocates.
- MAC sits on the National Organization for Victim Advocacy's Policy Committee and the Community Supervision Advisory Committee

FY26 IMPACT

Direct Client Assistance

In FY26, we closed out the Minnesota Heals Family Support Fund and Community Healing grant from the Office of Justice Programs.

- We helped 19 families with \$255,923 in funeral, burial, and mental health expenses.
- We contracted with Reviving Roots Therapy and Wellness and they provided 16 wellness classes for 84 participants. They provided 17 support group sessions to 25 participants.
- Approximately 75 people attended the Gathering for Good community healing event in South Minneapolis on January 11th, 2026
- From a family member who received assistance: “This program was life changing for me and my family. We were devastated and without a plan for financial support - whether it be funeral expenses or grief counseling after the tragedy that struck our family. This allowed us to properly grieve, and we couldn't be any more thankful for this program. Everyone was extremely responsive, kind and easy to work with. I truly hope that this program can continue to exist for families in similar situations.”

Gretchen Wienrich, MAC's Post Conviction Advocacy Manager assisted victims and their loved ones who were connected to cases heard by the Clemency Review Commission (CRC) and the Board of Pardons (BOP).

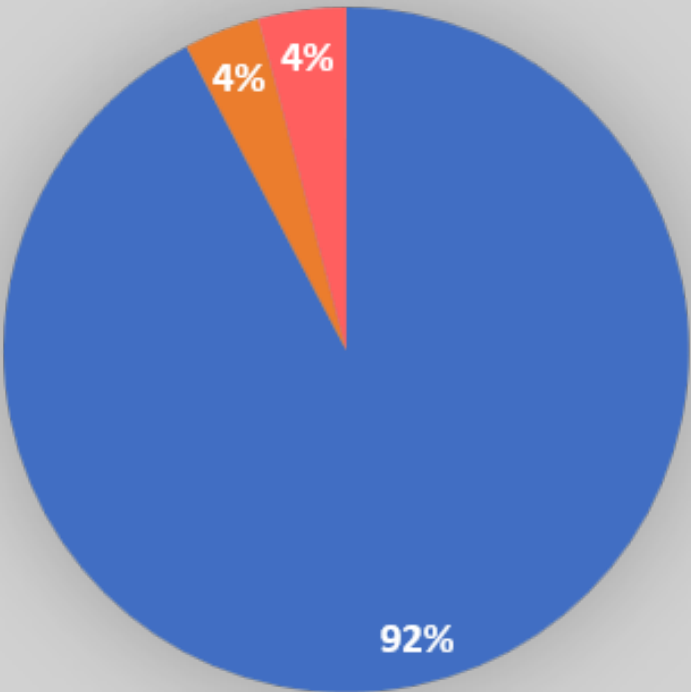
- The total number of victims that were contacted: 239
- The total number of victims who participated in CRC hearings: 93
- Total number of contacts with victims and families: 2019
- Gretchen assisted an average of 70 people per month
- A child sexual abuse victim said “I could never have come here today without having someone like you to talk to beforehand.”

FY2026 FINANCIALS



Income

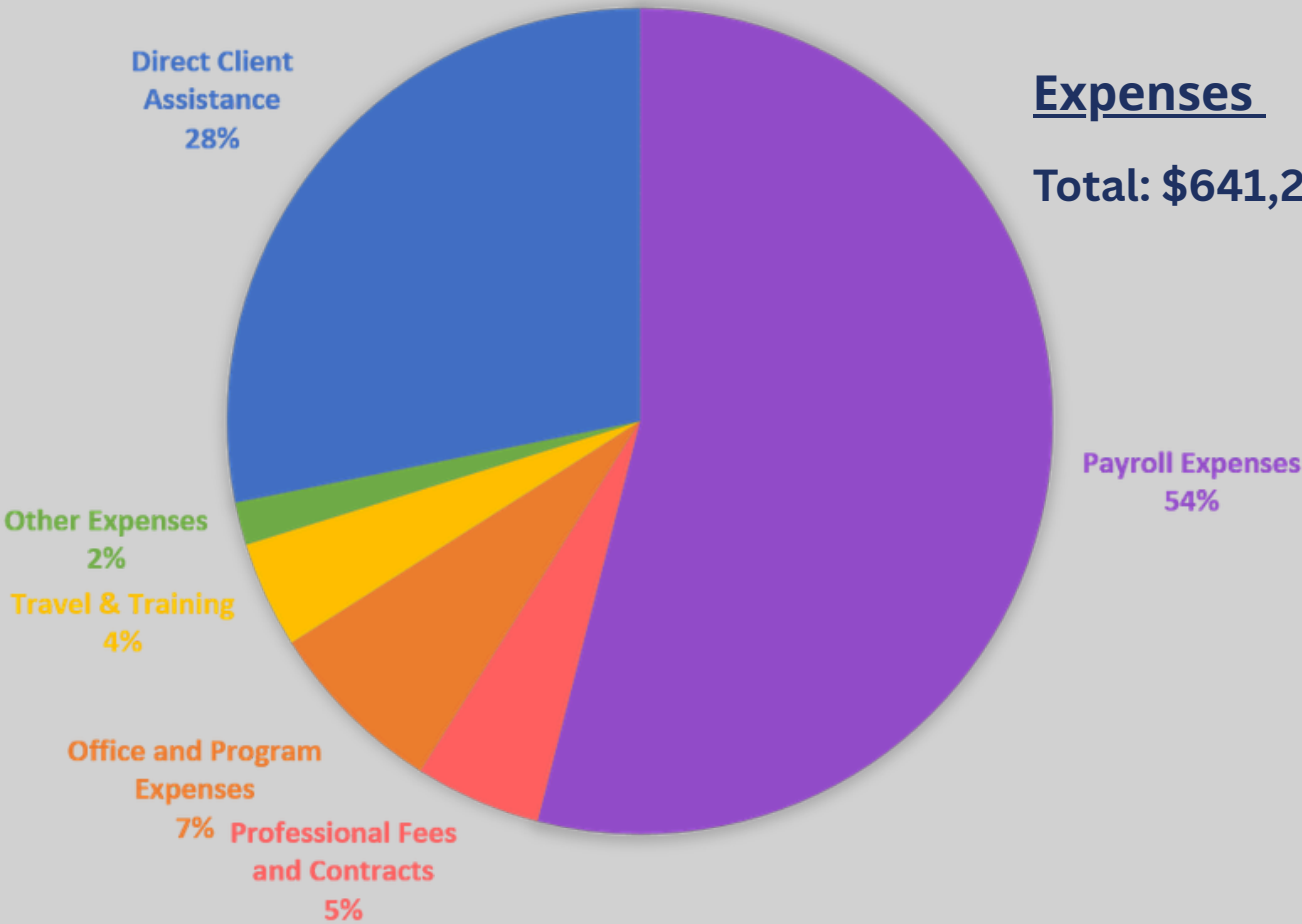
Total: \$623,253



■ Government Grants ■ Membership Dues ■ Other Income

Expenses

Total: \$641,268





2025 Spotlight Award

Katie Nordby
Friends Against Abuse

2025 Alliance Ally Award

Kelly Moller
MN State Representative





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FY26 MAC Staff



Roen Boyd

Training Coordinator

Jessi McKinnon

Director of Operations

Becca Muskat

Executive Director

Gretchen Weinrich

Post-Conviction Advocacy
Manager

FY26 MAC Interns

Nebiel Ibrahim

Fall 2025

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