



STANDING **TOGETHER**
TO END SEXUAL ASSAULT

Annual Report

TO THE COMMUNITY
2018



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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

It is my honor to present **Standing Together to End Sexual Assault's (STESA) 2018 Annual Report.**

This year was very busy and productive for STESA. We completed the lengthy and detailed rebranding process and unveiled our new brand-name, logo and colors at the **10th Annual Chocolate de Vine** event. Our goal with rebranding the agency was to make

sure that we were more welcoming to survivors of any type of sexual assault, their loved ones, and to those who support our center. STESA belongs to the community.


STESA worked to strengthen existing relationships with community partners to better serve survivors of sexual assault. We provided various in-service trainings to law enforcement officers, medical professionals and social service agencies. We continue to be a key member of the **Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)**. We have been a strong contributor to efforts to address human trafficking. We have done this through the **County of Santa Barbara Human Trafficking Taskforce**, **County CSEC (Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children) Steering Committee**, and the **Survivor Assistance & Fighting Exploitation (SAFE) SB Community Collaborative.**

One notable activity that we did this year was to improve the delivery of services to survivors of commercial sexual exploitation and partner with a CSEC group home. Several young women were housed in the group home as they heal from commercial sexual exploitation and they

receive services on site as it is difficult for them to seek support outside of the group home. Seven young women participated in this group over a five-week period. Together, we were able to provide them with resources that they may have otherwise not been able to access.

Unfortunately, this year our country was plagued by a series of high profile cases regarding the issue of sexual assault. One of these surfaced during the hearings for Brett Kavanaugh as a candidate for Supreme Court Justice. We were disappointed by the events in Washington, DC, in which Dr. Christine

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Blasey Ford's request for privacy was violated and her dignity was desecrated during the Kavanaugh hearings. Again, we saw another example of a sexual assault survivor's credibility being questioned. We saw yet another instance in which the alleged perpetrator's power, fame and wealth took precedence. Regardless of their position in the community, their power, their fame, or their wealth, we must hold perpetrators accountable, and we definitely must not reward nor entrust them with the systems that we hold dear. High profile cases in the mainstream and social media can restimulate the trauma that other survivors have experienced. During the hearings, we provided support for many survivors who found themselves reliving the issues related to their sexual assaults.

Despite the continued challenges, **STESA** will continue to work vigorously with elected officials to make certain they take our cause to the highest political level. We Stand Together for justice. We Stand Together against sexism, racism, xenophobia, poverty, homophobia and oppression against individuals with disabilities. **We Stand Together to End Sexual Assault.**

We are seeing unprecedented levels of awareness about the issue of sexual assault. As survivors come forward to share their experiences, we have immense opportunities to make a significant impact to empower them and to eliminate all forms of sexual assault in our society. We need your financial support to accomplish this. Respectfully, I ask you to join me in support of our cause by making a tax-deductible financial contribution.

Warmly,



Frank Quezada
STESA Board President

Has Your Company...

- *satisfied the legal requirement to provide sexual harassment prevention training?*
- *identified some concerns regarding sexual harassment?*

All supervisors and managers in a company of 50 or more employees must receive two hours of instruction in the prevention of sexual harassment every two years. STESA will provide this training for management employees.

STESA also offers on-site, interactive training on sexual harassment prevention for non-management employees in English or Spanish. FEE: \$75. Contact Elsa Granados, Executive Director, at 805.963.6832 x15 or email elsa@sbstesa.org.

RAISING AWARENESS IN THE SANTA BARBARA COMMUNITY 2018

This year **Standing Together to End Sexual Assault (STESA)** with the collaboration of community partners is at the forefront of issues of **Human Trafficking** and **Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC)**.

Human trafficking is a modern day form of slavery. It is the use of force, fraud, or coercion to provide labor services or commercial sex. CSEC is the sexual abuse of children for economic gains. Similar to other forms of sexual assault, Human trafficking and CSEC are vio-

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lilent crimes that occur due to the power and control perpetrators exert over survivors. Furthermore, it is a violent crime that is thriving and increasing due to buyer demand. Human Trafficking and CSEC are some of the fastest growing industries in our country, generating over \$9 billion a year in the United States alone.

Educating Youth

Over 325 thousand children are at risk of being exploited in the United States. The average age of when children begin to be exploited is between 12-14 years old for girls and 11-13 years old for boys. Between 2012 and 2014 the County of Santa Barbara conducted a study that confirmed 45 cases of CSEC, 80 suspected cases, and identified over 460 vulnerable youth in the county. These numbers have only grown since that study.

This year **STESA** received a grant from **United Way of SB County** to educate youth at local schools on sexual exploitation. Our educational program focused on providing youth with information about manipulative and coercive techniques of traffickers, and raising their confidence in being able to identify vulnerabilities that place them at higher risk of being sexually exploited. They also learned about the psychological impact that survivors may experience from this type of abuse and resources available to them in the community.

Educating Service Providers

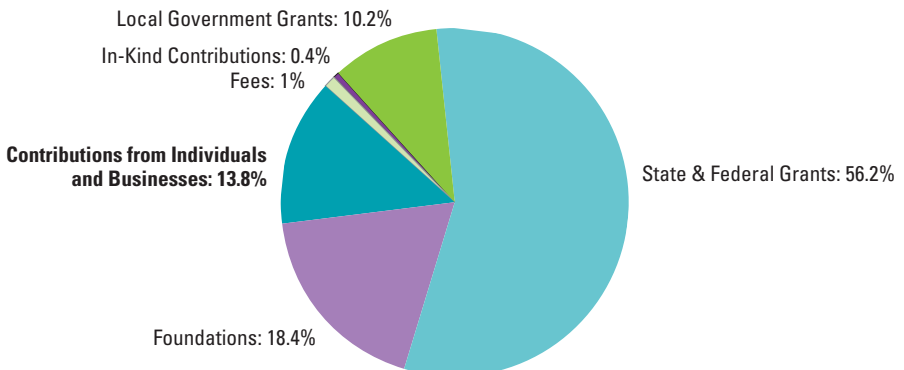
Part of addressing Human Trafficking and CSEC is identifying individuals at risk and those who are surviving exploitation. To educate the community we have partnered with the **County of SB Human Trafficking Taskforce**, we work closely with the **County CSEC (Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children) Steering Committee**, and we are active participants of the **Survivor Assistance & Fighting Exploitation (SAFE) SB Community Collaborative**. Last year, **STESA** increased its education to professionals who may be able to identify potential survivors. This education includes an introduction to the issue, indicators of Human Trafficking and CSEC, and the process of reporting known or suspected cases.

In 2017–2018...

- STESA staff and volunteers assisted **515 survivors and their loved ones** with a total of **1,840 services** including counseling & emotional support, medical & legal advocacy and accompaniment, and information & referral.
- Over **5,306 members of our community** learned information about the impact of sexual assault in our lives and strategies for prevention. Of this number, **1,760 were youth**.
- **68 clients** took steps to regain a sense of confidence and power over their lives by attending counseling sessions and support groups.
- **In-service trainings** were provided to **597 professionals** including law enforcement, medical staff and social service professionals.
- **138 volunteers** from the community gave **8,002 hours** to STESA. They provided a network of support including crisis intervention, advocacy and community education, and assisted with office support and special events.

STESA's Total Operating Budget for FY '17-'18 was \$960,180.

This graph illustrates the importance of local contributions to STESA's operations and provision of services to survivors of sexual assault as well as the work towards eliminating sexual violence from our society.



STESA SUPPORTERS

STESA was able to fulfill its mission with the support of these individuals and businesses in the past fiscal year.

Thank you for helping us do this vital work.

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CHOCOLATE DE VINE 2018

The **10th Annual Chocolate de Vine** event was held on a gorgeous Santa Barbara day, in the beautiful setting of the **Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Event Center**, overlooking a spectacular view of the mountains and ocean. The event brought together about 300 people to sample delectable chocolate creations, delicious wine, and craft beer!



Chocolate de Vine 2018

It was a very special year for **Chocolate de Vine** because Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center unveiled its new logo, colors and name, **Standing Together to End Sexual Assault**. During the event, the organization's leadership and supporters described the importance of changing the organization's brand. **California State Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson** and **STESA President, Frank Quezada** led a champagne toast to the agency's shift in messaging to the community. Guests were treated to take-home gifts embellished with the new brand.

Our very own **Santa Barbara Mayor, Cathy Murillo** and **Santa Barbara City Council Member Gregg Hart** auctioned off several exciting prizes, including an evening of tamale making and tequila tasting, a mystery box worth over \$3,000 in self-care and wellness gifts, and an evening Salsa dance lesson for six people.

The highlight of the auction was an exciting day with the **Santa Barbara Police Department's K-9 Unit**. The SBPD K-9 Unit utilizes the abilities of specially trained dogs. The incredible sense of smell and the desire to protect, which the dogs possess, enables them to perform several law enforcement functions.



STESA Executive Director Elsa Granados (center) and guests

The winner of this auction item won the opportunity to ride along with the K-9 Unit, watch demonstrations of officers training police dogs and the option of wearing the protective gear to participate in the training of the dogs. Jake, a police dog, was on hand at the event, which made it all the more special. **STESA** is very thankful for the support of the Santa Barbara Police Department!

Stafford's Chocolates from Los Olivos won the **Best Table Top Presentation** with their beautiful interpretation of the Mediterranean theme of the event.

...A CELEBRATION OF CHOCOLATE & WINE!

The coveted People's Choice Award was given to **Mama Ganache Artisan Chocolates**.

Standing Together to End Sexual Assault thanks all of the chocolatiers, wineries and breweries for participating in the event and supporting our mission.

Thank you to all of our generous sponsors, donors and hard-working volunteers who made this event a huge success!

Stay tuned at www.sbstesa.org for the date of the **11th Annual Chocolate de Vine** to be held in spring 2019.



Salsa dance prize demonstration by Erika Martín del Campo of ME Sabor Dance Company



Champagne toast to STESA!



Guests enjoyed wine, beer & chocolate



SB Mayor Cathy Murillo and SB Police K-9 Unit



Delicious chocolate creations!

SPECIAL EVENT

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 6, 2019 at 10am

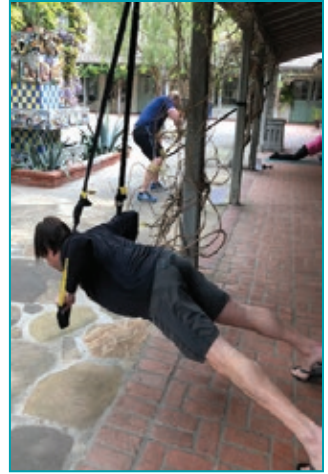


Linda Sanders of **One on One Fitness** is helping us to kick off April, **Sexual Assault Awareness Month** by sponsoring an event to raise funds for **Standing Together to End Sexual Assault**. Come prepared to get a great work out and have a blast doing it. The class will include functional training: TRX, kettle bells, Landmine, cardio blast, yoga, stretch, and much more.

Location: 1809 E. Cabrillo Blvd., Suite B
Montecito, CA 93108

Cost: \$75 per person

Contact: Linda Sanders, 805.969.9107



*All proceeds from the event will go directly to **STESA**.*

DID YOU KNOW...?

When you make a tax-deductible contribution to STESA, you help provide the following services:

- \$100** Bus tokens, phone cards, food vouchers for a survivor who doesn't have other means.
- \$250** For a sexual assault survivor, provides a safe place to stay for 2 nights in an emergency.
- \$500** Two self-defense classes and educational materials for teen girls.
- \$1000** Access to STESA's 24-hour hotline for one month for survivors of sexual assault and their loved ones.

The agency, formerly known as Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center (SBRCC) unveiled its new brand—new name, logo and colors, **Standing Together to End Sexual Assault (STESA)**. The reasons we undertook this project were many (*see www.sbstesa.org*).

When we were SBRCC, the agency received feedback that its name did not encompass all of its services. We wanted a name that reflected the intervention and prevention work that we provide in the community. Additionally, **STESA** heard from survivors of sexual assault that due to the words “rape” and “crisis” in our former name, they weren’t sure they were calling the right place. They would say, “I wasn’t raped, but...” then they would go on to describe some sort of sexual assault experience. They would also say, “I’m not in crisis, but I was sexually assaulted a number of years ago.” We wanted to ensure that community members know that we are the agency that holds expertise in dealing with all forms of sexual assault, no matter when it happened.

The logo of the organization, a woman’s face, served to tell the community that incidences of sexual violence are not just statistics. These crimes happen to our daughters, sisters, wives, coworkers. However, some felt that the logo was outdated and gave the impression that sexual assault was only a women’s issue. It isn’t. The crime also happens to our sons, brothers and husbands. More men are coming forward to share their experiences of having been sexually violated. We want to debunk the myth that men are not survivors. One in three women and one in six men are survivors of sexual assault. Additionally, one in two people who identify as transgender, experience some form of sexual assault in their lifetime.

To address these challenges and continue to be leaders in the field to end sexual violence, STESA’s leadership set **Branding and Visibility** as a priority. This effort has been a focus for the past two and a half years. We have been very thoughtful about how to represent our message in the community. Rebranding involved countless hours of work by our dedicated committee of volunteers, surveys of English and Spanish speaking supporters, as well as input from others who were unfamiliar with our agency and its services. Our nationwide research looked at the branding styles of other organizations across the country providing similar services. The new name was selected on the basis of the feedback we received through surveys and dialogue with supporters and clients.

We are excited to share our new brand with the community. **Be assured that although our “look” has changed, our services remain the same.** We will continue to work diligently to support survivors of sexual assault and their loved ones through their healing process in the aftermath of an assault. We will be unwavering in our efforts to eliminate sexual violence in our community, and rely on your support of our programs. We also need your help in getting the word out. ***Please help by telling others and/or by posting it on your social media.***



**STANDING TOGETHER
TO END SEXUAL ASSAULT**

Standing Together to End Sexual Assault (STESA) is a community-based organization working toward a world free from sexual violence. STESA has served southern Santa Barbara County since 1974. The organization is dedicated to supporting and empowering sexual assault survivors, their family members and friends, and to eliminating all forms of sexual violence from our society.

STESA supports sexual assault survivors throughout the initial crisis and subsequent stages of healing. Through community education, training and activism, STESA is committed to creating attitudes and beliefs which support the prevention of sexual assault.

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