



# 2025 IMPACT REPORT



# From the Director



We wrapped up our silver anniversary in 2025, celebrating 25 years of service to our community. Since our beginning, thousands of victims have found the courage to voice their abuse. Thousands of survivors have walked their healing journeys with support. Countless assaults and acts of sexual violence were prevented because our communities were informed and empowered. Throughout it all, one mission has remained constant: ensuring all survivors of sexual violence have access to hope and healing in our communities while striving to eradicate abuse from ever occurring.

Several weeks ago, I had the honor of meeting one particular survivor, who took the time to seek me out following a community event. She was an older woman, being pushed along in her wheelchair. As she touched my arm, I bent down to meet her eyes. She said, “You all helped me... many years ago. I was young and at the hospital. You came to see me there. I was so scared. The police were there, and it wasn’t going well. But having you there really helped me. Thank you.”

At our next staff meeting, I shared this story with our team to encourage them—because Silverleaf isn’t just an agency, and it isn’t just a job. I wasn’t the one who went to the hospital; I wasn’t even employed then. Yet the pride I feel for our agency, and for the lasting impact it has on others, is something solid to stand on.

As the Executive Director, I’m proud of the contents of this book. You’ll see numbers that try to capture what we did and who we served. They are important in telling our story. But, there will never be anything more important than hearing a survivor say, “Thank You.” To our funders, supporters, volunteers, cheerleaders, board members, staff, and community partners: Thank you for helping us bring 25 years of services. To survivors, we are honored to continue walking alongside you for many years to come.

-Dr. Jillian Carden, Executive Director

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# Vision

Communities where children and families are free from violence, abuse, and neglect.

# Mission

To promote the health and wellbeing of our communities by overcoming the impact and prevalence of sexual trauma through service, education, and leadership.

# Purpose

Silverleaf is a dual sexual assault and child advocacy program that strives to provide services that reduce the effects of trauma experienced by survivors of sexual abuse and to provide education to prevent these acts of violence from ever happening.

Artwork: "Revival In Color" - A photograph showing a pair of hands holding a vibrant bouquet of deep pink and magenta flowers, including tulips, magnolias, and carnations. Mixed among the flowers are several artist paintbrushes, their bristles also covered in pink paint. The hands and fingers are streaked with the same vivid pink paint, dripping down onto the wrists and forearms.

Artist: Elaina Janes



## **VICTIM & FAMILY ADVOCACY**

Victim Advocates work alongside survivors and their non-offending caregivers to navigate the criminal justice system. Family Advocates conduct needs assessments with clients to identify their strengths and connect them to community resources. The Multidisciplinary Enhancement Project (MEP) Coordinator identifies cases that meet service criteria and facilitates access to those services.

## **PREVENTION EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

Prevention Specialists are responsible for developing and implementing education and prevention programs throughout the service area.

## **INFORMATION & REFERRALS**

All staff are trained to provide information on services and programs at Silverleaf and within the community.

## **FORENSICS**

A forensic interview is a single session, recorded interview designed to elicit a child's unique information when there are concerns of abuse. A forensic medical exam is used to assess a victim's health care needs, coordinate treatment of any injuries, and collect evidence for potential use during case investigation and prosecution.

## **MENTAL HEALTH THERAPY**

Mental health professionals provide short- and long-term outpatient therapy services to individuals, families, and groups who have experienced sexual violence.

## **24/7/365 CRISIS INTERVENTION**

All staff are trained in crisis intervention. However, Silverleaf employs 6 Crisis Response Specialists who respond after hours and on weekends.

# 2025 In Review

## Sexual Assault Program

Rape Crisis Centers (RCCs) are vital community resources that respond to sexual violence with compassion and care. They provide 24/7 crisis helplines and chatlines, hospital and court advocacy, counseling, support groups, and prevention education. All services are free, confidential, and trauma-informed, ensuring survivors and their families receive the support they need to heal, find safety, and reclaim their lives.

When survivors contact Silverleaf - whether by phone, in person, or online - a trained advocate is there to listen and provide confidential, nonjudgmental support. You can learn about options for counseling, medical care, court advocacy, support groups, or other resources, and decide what feels right for you.

462

CLIENTS

4,886

SERVICES

# Child Advocacy Program

Child Advocacy Centers (CACs) are specialized, community-based programs that help children who have experienced abuse or neglect. It provides a safe, supportive space where children can share their experiences through age-appropriate forensic interviews, access counseling and therapy, and receive medical and legal assistance. The program coordinates a multidisciplinary team—including law enforcement, child protective services, medical providers, prosecutors, and mental health professionals—to ensure children are protected, trauma is minimized, and families receive guidance and support throughout the investigation and recovery process.

1,395

CLIENTS RECEIVING  
A CORE SERVICE

9,534

CORE SERVICES

CLIENTS RECEIVING  
CASE REVIEW ONLY

1,293

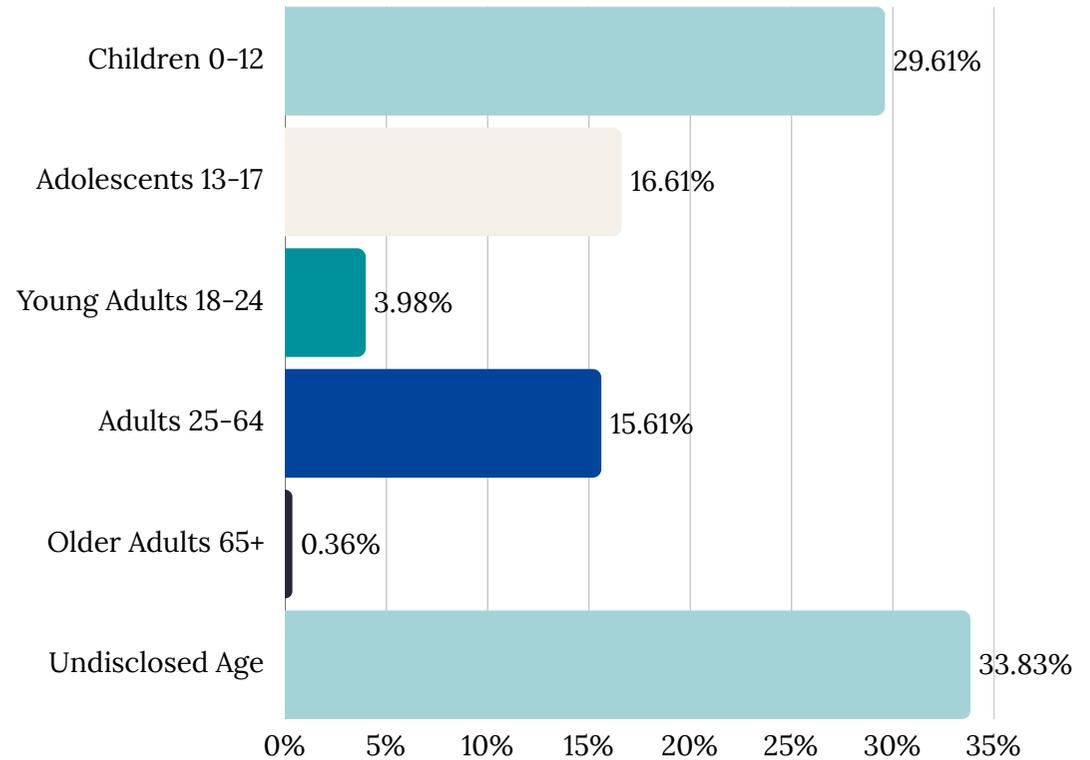
CASE REVIEW SERVICES

4,098

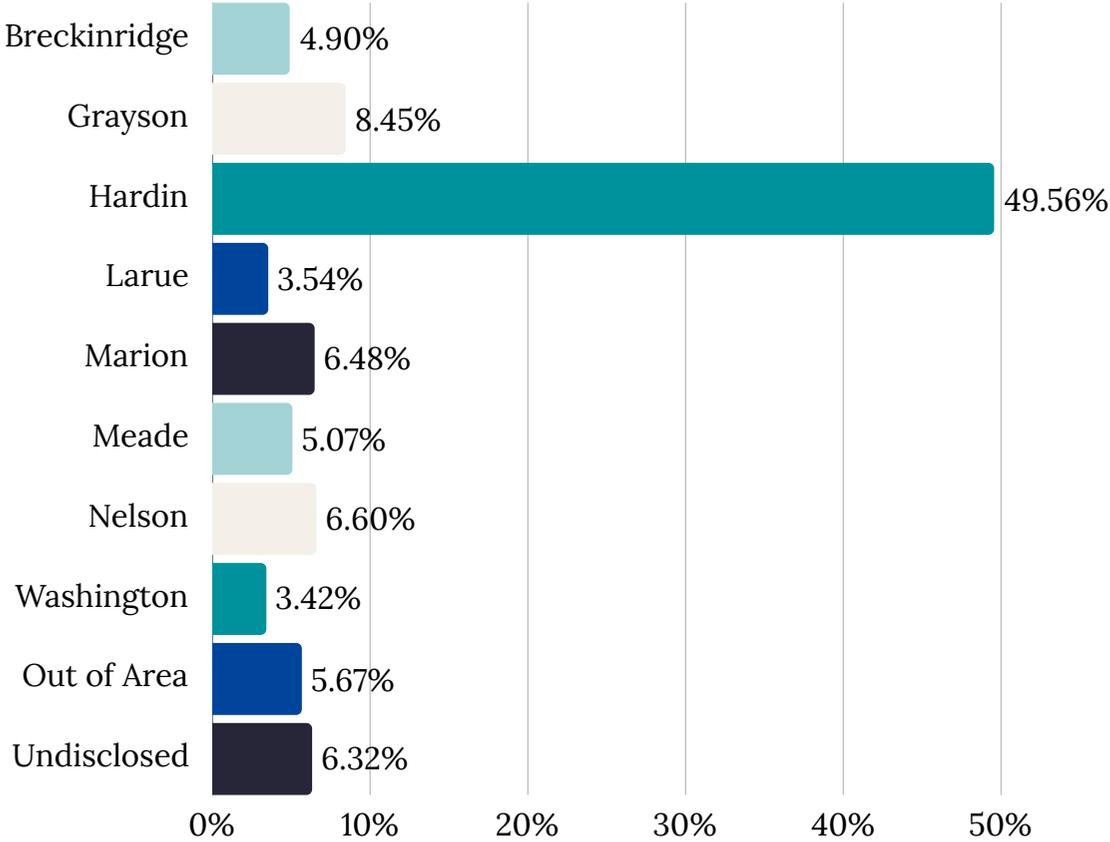
# Client Demographics



## Client Age

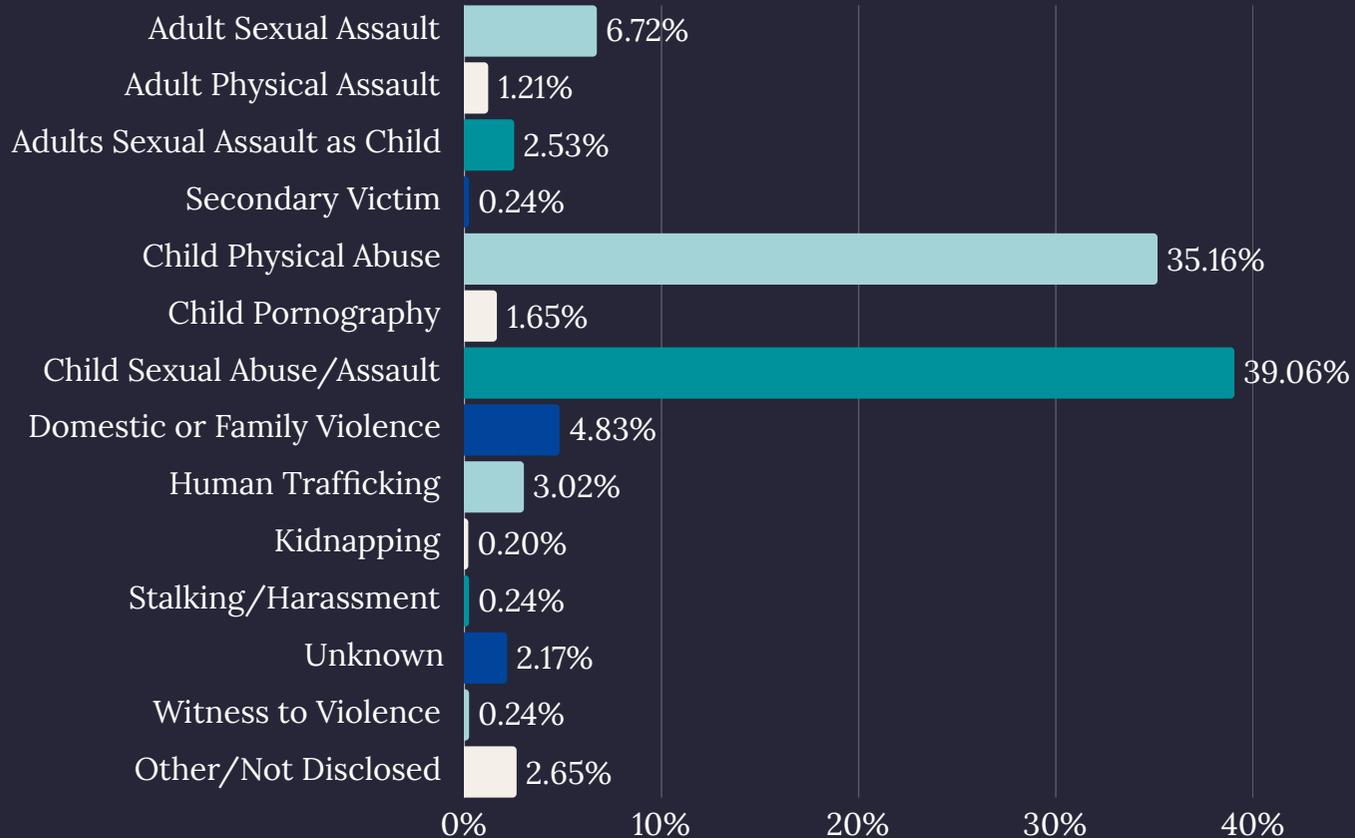


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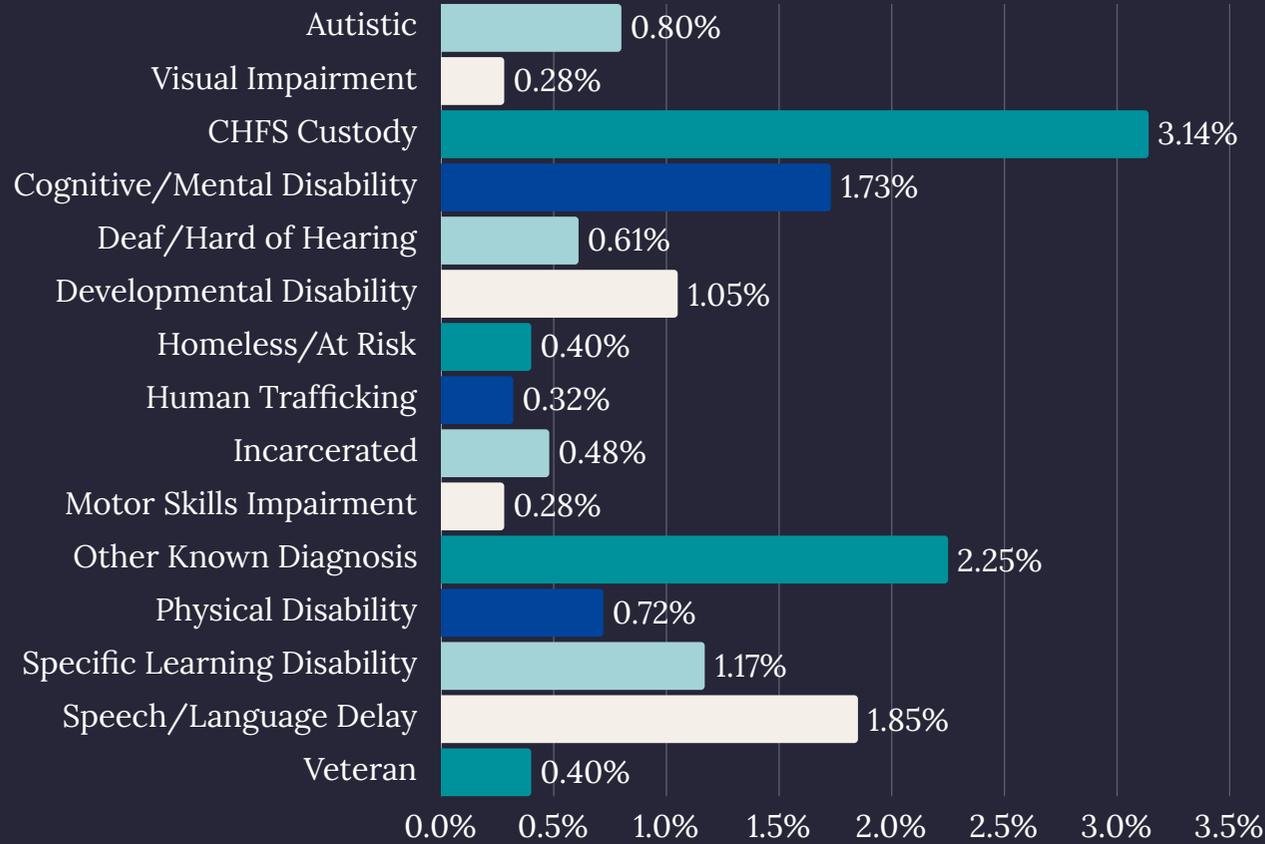




# Victimization Types



# Underserved Populations



# Programs

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# Admin & Support

Keeping Silverleaf running smoothly and meeting the needs of our clients and community requires more than programs and services—it requires an exceptional Admin & Support team. These team members are the backbone of our operations, ensuring everything from scheduling and coordination to financial management and forensic services runs seamlessly. Their expertise, dedication, and behind-the-scenes work are essential to Silverleaf’s mission.

Our Admin & Support team includes:

Dr. Jillian Carden, Executive Director

Linda Heibert, Coordinator of Support Services

Amie Messman, Accountant

Emily Neel, Assistant Executive Director

Jennifer Vance, Coordinator of Support Services



Dr. Jillian Carden



Linda Heibert



Emily Neel



Amie Messman



Jennifer Vance

# Advocacy



Kelly McCormack



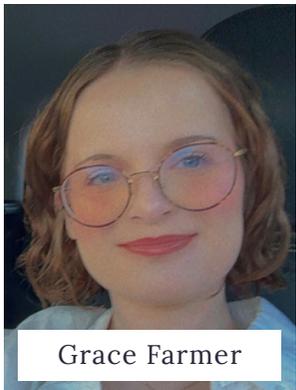
Andrea Marshall Powell



Bonnie Wheeler



Ashley Huff



Grace Farmer

**Victim Advocates** guide survivors and their families through every stage of the criminal justice process. Investigations can be overwhelming, confusing, and emotionally exhausting, and Victim Advocates are there to help families understand what to expect and navigate the system with support and clarity.

**Family Advocates** provide case management and personal advocacy services to survivors and their families, whether or not an investigation is taking place. Their goal is to identify each family's needs and connect them with the resources necessary to overcome barriers and move toward healing.

**Multidisciplinary Enhancement Project (MEP) Coordinator** reviews reports involving suspected child abuse and assists with ensuring those individuals have the opportunity to receive a service at Silverleaf.

1,530

Advocacy  
Clients

10,350

Advocacy  
Services

13%

Increase  
from 2024

# Crisis Intervention

Silverleaf provides 24/7/365 crisis intervention services, completely free of charge. All staff are trained in crisis response, and our specially trained Crisis Response Specialists are available after hours and on weekends to provide immediate support.

## Crisis Intervention Services:

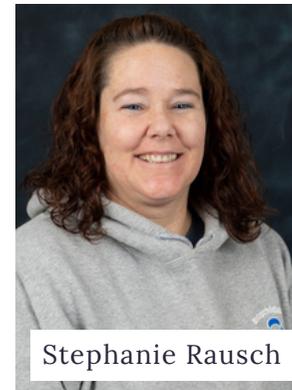
- Crisis Hotline: 270-234-9236 or 877-672-2124
- Chat & Text Line: Visit [www.silverleafky.org](http://www.silverleafky.org) or text HELLO to 270-81-VOICE
- In-Person Hospital Advocacy at area emergency rooms.



Morgan Trask



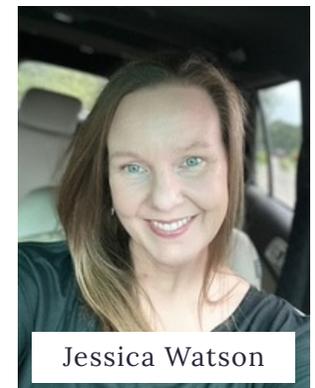
Shelby Gaddis



Stephanie Rausch



Jana Owens



Jessica Watson

**273**

Crisis  
Intervention  
Clients

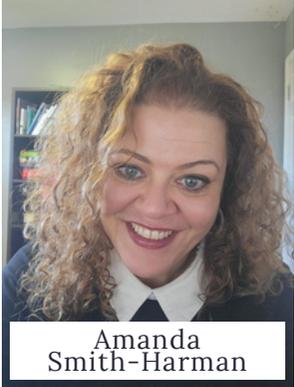
**593**

Crisis  
Intervention  
Services

**5%**

Decrease  
from 2024

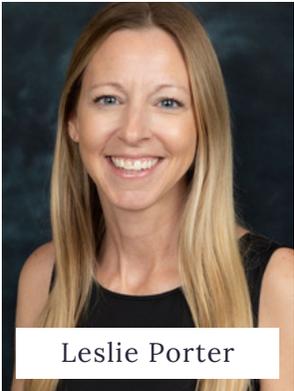
# Mental Health Therapy



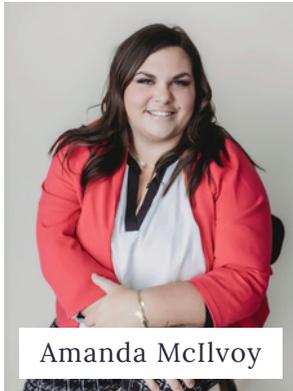
Amanda  
Smith-Harman



Ebony Smith



Leslie Porter



Amanda McIlvoy

Mental Health Professionals provide short- and long-term outpatient therapy to individuals, families, and groups affected by sexual violence. Our therapists are trained in a range of evidence-based clinical interventions, including:

- Parent-Child Interaction Therapy
- Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing
- Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

Therapy services are offered in-person at our Main Clinic, and we have an alternative meeting space at the Lebanon Career Center. Therapy services are by appointment only.

**285**  
Therapy  
Clients

**2,735**  
Therapy  
Services

**31%**  
Increase  
from 2024

# Forensic Services

Forensic Interviews are single, recorded sessions that help children safely share information when abuse is suspected, or they've witnessed violence. Trained professionals conduct interviews in a supportive, non-leading way, and investigative agencies can observe remotely for legal purposes.

Forensic Medical Services are available for any child with abuse concerns. Silverleaf works with local SANE programs and contracts medical professionals to provide coordinated services at our main clinic when appropriate.

**500**

Forensic Interview  
Clients

**584**

Forensic Interview  
Services

**26%**

Increase  
from 2024

**21**

Child Medical  
Clients

**21**

Child Medical  
Services

**16%**

Decrease  
from 2024



Dr. Kimberly  
Mudd-Fegett



Cathy Brown



Sarah Janes



Melanie  
Carter-Hack



Shaun Milby

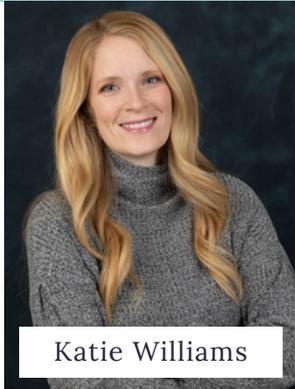


Breanna Fuhrman

# Prevention Education



Amy Hanninen



Katie Williams



Towanna Melton



Sonji Holsclaw

Silverleaf's Prevention Team is dedicated to keeping our communities safe through education, awareness, and proactive programming. They design and deliver evidence-based prevention programs for schools, community groups, and organizations across our 8-county service area. From teaching children about healthy boundaries and personal safety to training adults on recognizing signs of abuse and responding effectively, the team equips the community with the knowledge and tools to prevent sexual violence before it happens.

**1,009**

Presentations

**23,989**

Participants

# Outreach & Awareness

**63**

Public  
Awareness  
Events

**36**

Professional  
Trainings

**155**

Community  
Outreach  
Initiatives

**13,372**

Public  
Awareness  
Participants

**376**

Professional  
Training  
Participants

**9,968**

Community  
Outreach  
Participants

**86,958**

Social Media Post  
Engagements



# Survive to Thrive Art Auction



\$21,365.55  
Raised

We are incredibly thankful to everyone who made our 2025 Art Gallery Fundraiser such a spectacular success! From our generous sponsors and talented live artists to the incredible artwork donor—and to everyone who joined us in celebrating art for a cause—you helped make this event unforgettable.

## **ART OF SPIRITS**

Daniel Koch | Cocktails  
Brandon Priest & Harned Tobacco Shack | Cigars

## **VENDORS**

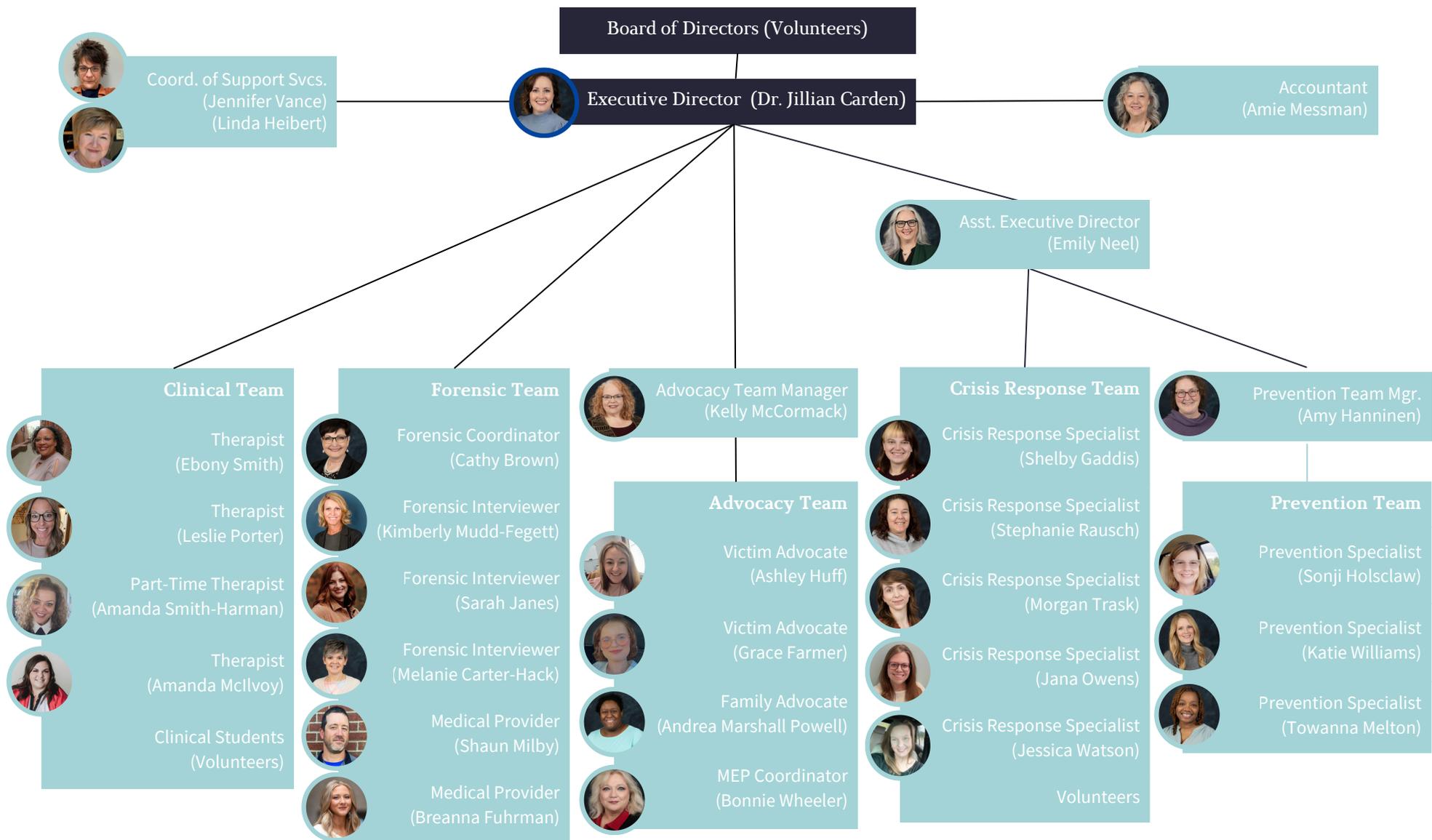
House on Helm | Venue  
Bluegrass Valet  
Maddie's Flowers | Table Decorations  
Sarah Ingram | Photography  
Maillard Wood Fired Kitchen | Custom Menu  
Etown Florist | Cash Bar & Charcuterie Boards

## **LIVE ARTISTS**

Allejandra Dunnaway | Painting  
Body Tailor Tattoos | Tattoo Artists  
Terri Thompsett | Derby Hats  
Melvin James | Painting

## **EVENT SPONSORS**

Herb Jones Chevrolet GMC | Pre-event Sponsor  
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The Cecilian Bank  
Thrive Wellness Studio  
Gabhart Family Dentistry  
Business House  
Brandenburg Telecom  
Catherine Corbett



# Agency Structure



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President



Meredith Dubree  
Vice President



Reta McMillen  
Secretary



Missy Brown



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Mandy Humphrey



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Wes Monroe



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Cathy Schultz



Shelby Snider



Rebecca Wiggins

Silverleaf is fortunate to have a dedicated and engaged Board of Directors that volunteers their time and is passionate about our mission. They provide oversight and strategic direction while also respecting the expertise and hard work of staff.

# Board Members

# Volunteer Program

Volunteers are a vital part of Silverleaf's mission to support survivors and educate the community. Join us in making a difference! Silverleaf offers two 40-hour training sessions each year.

## Training Details:

- Duration: 40 hours, spread over 7 weeks
- Format: 1 in-person group session per week, plus 20 hours of self-paced materials between sessions.
- Content: Volunteers learn about all Silverleaf programs, gain essential skills for supporting survivors, and meet current staff.

## Volunteer Requirements:

- Must be 18 years or older
- Minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent
- Complete the 40-hour volunteer training
- Consent to background checks

## Volunteer Opportunities:

- Provide Crisis Support
- Advocate for Clients
- Community education, administrative tasks, and special events

30  
volunteers  
trained  
in 2025

# Financial Wellness

At Silverleaf, transparency is valued as a cornerstone of trust. While our financial statements may show a surplus this year—a common and healthy occurrence for nonprofits—these funds reflect timing differences in grant cycles and lump-sum awards that are designated for future programs and services. Sharing clear and accurate financial information ensures donors, partners, and the community can see how every dollar is responsibly used to support survivors and advance our mission.

## Revenues

Federal Grants	\$464,359.65
State Grants	\$1,533,136.19
Local Grants	\$3,500.00
Medicaid for Services	\$40,324.95
Contributions & Donations	\$176,746.36
Investment Returns	\$49,614.71
Other Revenue	\$2,885.86

## Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$1,389,087.29
Building & Operations	\$64,886.30
Office Expenses	\$225,087.05
Printing	\$28,916.50
Public Awareness	\$52,528.31
Contractual Services	\$162,202.82
Training & Travel	\$46,866.11

# Thank You!

## DONORS

First Christian Church, Elizabethtown, KY  
Kroger Community Rewards  
Cornerstone Advisors of Arizona LLC  
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Gerald Printing  
Radcliff Woman's Club  
American Legion Post 113  
Women's Club of Elizabethtown  
City of Elizabethtown  
Etown Comics  
Stitchers Quilt Guild  
Hardinsburg Baptist Church  
Nolin Rural Electric Coop  
First State Bank, Irvington, KY  
Lincoln Trail Behavioral Health System  
Metalsa  
The Cecilian Bank  
Grace Heartland Church

## COALITIONS

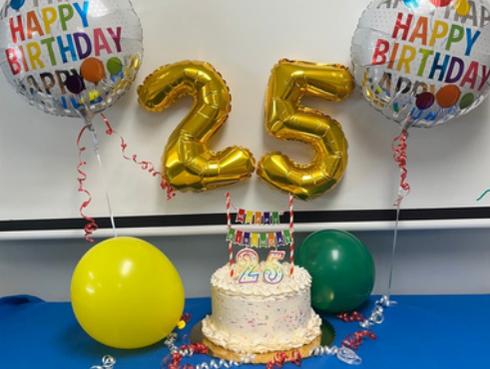


## GRANTS

Kentucky CHFS State General Funds  
Kentucky CHFS Rape Prevention & Education  
Kentucky CHFS Preventive Health & Health Services  
OFVPS Family Violence Prevention & Services  
OVW Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant  
OVW STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant  
OVC Victim of Crime Act  
National Children's Alliance  
Kentucky Crime Victims' Trust Fund  
Tri-County Kentucky United Way  
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021  
Medicaid

## FUNDERS







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[@silverleafservices](https://twitter.com/silverleafservices)

Contact Information:

Office & 24/7 Help Line: 270-234-9236 | 877-672-2124

Fax Line: 270-234-8367

Email: [contactus@silverleafky.org](mailto:contactus@silverleafky.org)

24/7 Chat Line: Text 'Hello' to 270-81-VOICE

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