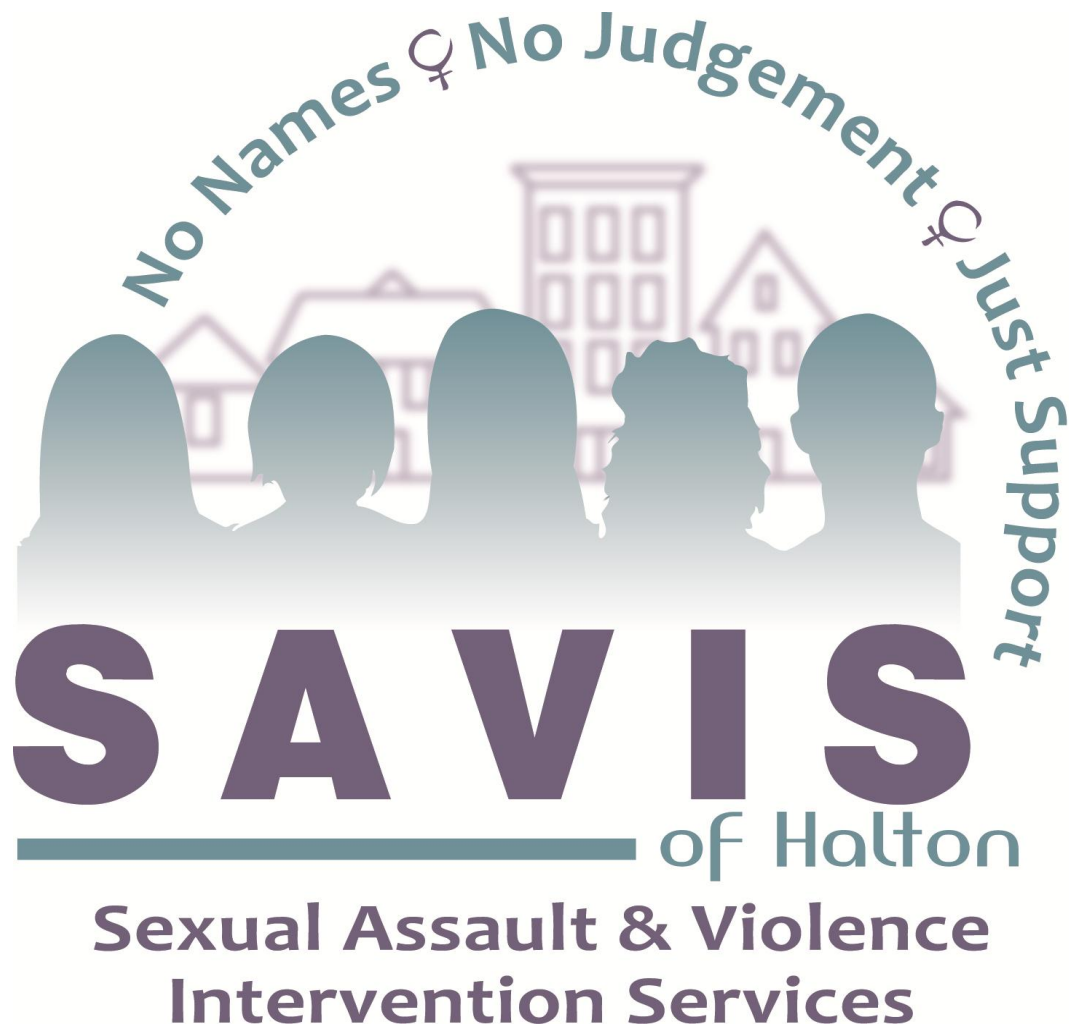


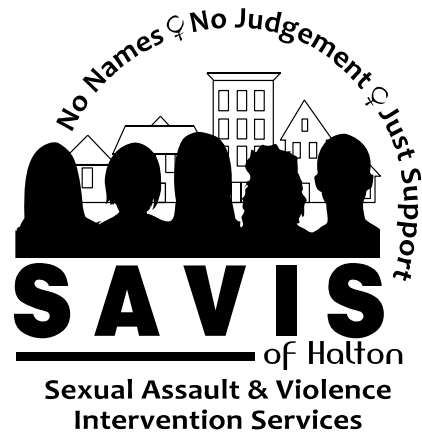
24th Annual Report

2012-2013



Our mandate is to provide free, confidential and non-judgemental 24 hour support to all survivors of violence. We advocate against violence in the community at large and promote prevention through community education.

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Oakville, ON, L6L 5G8
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Administrative Line: 908 825 3622
TTY: 905 825 3743
Fax: 905 825 3755



General E – Mail:

savis@savisofhalton.org

Website:

www.savisofhalton.org

Services:

- Individual counselling for women (daytime and evening appointments)
- Individual counselling for men
- Telephone counselling (24 hour crisis line)
- TTY line for the Deaf or Hard of Hearing
- Two weekly drop-in sessions:
 - Tuesday Spanish Women's Drop-in (Burlington)
 - Friday Multicultural Drop-in (Oakville)
- Group counselling
- Accompaniment (hospitals, police stations and court dates)
- Advocacy services
- Information and counselling for partners, families and friends of survivors
- Educational workshops/training for youth, professionals and community members
- Social awareness events, e.g. Take Back the Night
- An outreach program aimed at reducing isolation and minimizing service barriers for women from diverse communities

SAVIS is a non-profit, charitable agency funded by the Ministry of the Attorney General, The Ontario Government's Healthy Communities Fund, The Halton Region, United Way Burlington & Greater Hamilton, United Way Milton, United Way Oakville and The Ontario Trillium Foundation.

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Cameron, Carolyn	Outreach Coordinator/Vanier Co-facilitator
Clark, Edie	Financial Coordinator
Codlin, Jennifer	RSVP Co-facilitator/Youth Worker
Collins, Barbara	Vanier Co-facilitator
Curry, Sarah	Summer Student
Gosciminski Margaret	RSVP Co-facilitator
Guerrero, Martha	North Halton Outreach Worker
Harford, Kelsey	Summer Student
Lam, Paula	Public Education Coordinator
MacQueen, Lisa	Crisis Line Worker
McDonald, Cathy	Volunteer Coordinator
Olivares, Geazul	Spanish Counsellor/Co-facilitator
Pietsch, Nicole	Counsellor
Prior, Valerie	Administrative Coordinator
Raja, Sophia	Seniors Sharing Circle Coordinator
Rasool, Tasleem	Crisis Line Worker
Reyes, Islena	Child Care
Taylor Abby	Crisis Line Worker
Zollikofer, Ingrid	Counsellor

Placement Students

Amin, Ameena
Ustel, Jessica

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Spinelli, Antonietta
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Toth, Patricia
Ustel, Jessica
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Chair's Report

Welcome guests, staff, volunteers and board members. Thank you for attending our 24th Annual General Meeting.

SAVIS' mandate is to provide free, confidential and non-judgmental twenty-four hour support to all survivors of sexual violence. We advocate against violence in the community and promote prevention through education.

One of our most exciting expansions has been in our public education department. Not only are we providing public education presentations to schools, but also to youth centres, parenting groups and community agencies across Halton. Our presentations to youth have always included topics such as healthy relationships, sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, bullying, media literacy, peer pressure and gender stereotyping. We have now developed new presentations on Internet safety, identity theft and sexting, to name a few. We use media and state of the art technology to convey our message. SAVIS is also in the process of developing an e-learning component for youth. We have to reach youth in the language they understand and which they can relate to.

We also take pride in our expansion of services to seniors. SAVIS recognizes that sexual assault and violence against seniors often gets overlooked. Through our presentations and seniors' focus groups, we have reached out with a view to reminding seniors and informing them of their fundamental rights, abuse prevention, reducing isolation, personal care, passive and active neglect. By educating the community at large and increasing awareness of elder abuse, SAVIS is effectively involved in prevention. We acknowledge that abuse and neglect occur in both domestic and institutional settings in our communities. We must also accept that the issue is extremely complex and that there is no "quick fix" to empower individuals or to change ageist attitudes and violent behaviour. SAVIS has taken on this responsibility and is slowly but surely changing the way people view ageing.

We are grateful to our core funder, the Ministry of the Attorney General. This funding ensures that we provide essential services to survivors of sexual assault. We are able to enhance and build on our core services through funding from our invaluable donors, Halton Region, United Way of Burlington, United Way of Milton, United Way of Oakville, Oakville Community Foundation and the Trillium Foundation.

I want to thank our dedicated Executive Director, staff, membership and all our valuable SAVIS volunteers. We continue to be successful because of your commitment and dedication to SAVIS. Individually and collectively we do make a difference.

Thank you

Sangeeta Madan

Chair, SAVIS Board of Directors

June 2013

Executive Director's Report

The 2012/13 fiscal year has been one of great accomplishments and evolution. I remain inspired by the dedication and commitment demonstrated by staff, volunteers and Board members. SAVIS is an extraordinary collection of individuals who are dedicated to ending the systemic causes of violence and supporting all survivors of violence.

2012/13 was a year of innovation and productivity for the centre:

- In May 2012, a three year grant from the Region of Halton was secured. This funding supports the Relationship Safety and Violence Prevention (RSVP) groups for youth in Milton at E.C. Drury School for the Deaf.
- In May 2012, SAVIS achieved a grant from the Healthy Communities Fund of Ontario. This funding launched the Women's Wellness Workshops (W3) pilot program to provide vital health and wellness information to residents at the Vanier Centre for Women in Milton.
- Now in its' second year, the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) supported the development of an innovative, accessible e-learning training model. Once completed, this training model will be offered to all sexual assault centres across Ontario.
- The United Way of Oakville continued to fund the Youth Outreach Program for at-risk youth. Workshop topics included healthy relationships, sexual health, self-care, personal boundaries, and media literacy.
- Funded by the United Way of Burlington and Greater Hamilton, the Senior Sharing Circle program provided information to seniors who were at risk of experiencing violence and abuse.
- SAVIS' counselling program in Milton was supported by the Milton United Way. This program continues to grow in step with the expanding population of Milton and SAVIS now shares a satellite location with the E. Fry Society of Peel-Halton.
- SAVIS staff facilitated psycho-educational drop-in groups for Spanish speaking and Multicultural women. The centre continues to be a place where people of all experiences, cultures, abilities, and needs are welcomed into an environment where they can develop a sense of safety, self-discovery and empowerment.
- SAVIS expanded its' Outreach Program and introduced a North Halton Outreach Worker position to increase community awareness of SAVIS services in Milton, Georgetown, Acton and surrounding areas.

SAVIS remains committed to our mission of "...ending sexual violence and fostering a safe, supportive, just and equitable society". SAVIS continues to provide inclusive, accessible and non-judgemental support services to the Halton Community:

- 487 counselling client contacts
- 39 participants each month in the Spanish and Multicultural support groups
- 584 participants in the Women's Wellness Workshops Program
- 81 acts of advocacy and 12 accompaniments
- 5281 education presentation attendees
- 66 volunteers gave 4747 hours of volunteer hours
- 276 crisis line calls
- 39 outreach booths

The individual counselling program continued to be inclusive of all residents in Halton. SAVIS offered free, client centered counselling services from our offices in Oakville, Burlington and Milton.

The public education program played a critical role in raising awareness to end violence and challenging social norms that perpetuate oppressive beliefs and actions. There was a significant demand for presentations and our staff provided interactive workshops that appealed to educators and community members at large.

Presentation/Workshop Types	2012 - 2013 Presentations
Public High Schools (Grades 9-12)	78
Public Elementary Schools (Grades 1-8)	16
Catholic High Schools (Grades 9-12)	1
Catholic Elementary Schools (Grades 1-8)	21
Private Schools (Grades 1-12)	8
Professional Development Training	10
Agency Workshops	47
Marginalized Communities	87
Post Secondary Institutions	0
Total For The Year	268

In addition SAVIS sponsored the 2012 *Take Back the Night (TBTN)*. For the first time, TBTN was held in Milton. This successful evening included over 200 attendees/supporters and 100 women and children who marched through the streets to promote their safety and empowerment.

The issue of violence remains a challenge in the region of Halton. SAVIS remained an important and outspoken member of many regional and local committees to represent the concerns and needs of survivors of violence including:

Ontario Coalition of Rape Crisis Centres (OCRCC)
Halton Violence Prevention Council
Domestic Violence Court Advisory Committee
Advancement of Women Halton
Halton Youth and Child Network
Halton Sexual and Domestic Violence Collaborative
Halton Non-Profit Network
Action Ontarienne Contre la Violence
Services to Men Regional Committee
Halton Non Profit Network
Halton Newcomer Strategy Steering Committee

On behalf of SAVIS we look forward to the 2013/14 year which promises continued innovation and expansion.

Kathryn Baker-Reed
Executive Director, SAVIS
June 2013

Financial Report

We are fortunate to continue to receive our core funding from the Ministry of the Attorney General, Victims and Vulnerable Persons Division, and I want to express how much we sincerely appreciate both their financial support and the invaluable assistance of the regional staff throughout the year.

For the year ending March 31st, 2013, SAVIS experienced an increase in grant revenue of 2.3%.

We have concluded our second of three years funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation and have continued in our partnerships with United Way Oakville, United Way Milton and United Way Burlington & Greater Hamilton. These funding dollars enabled us to grow our volunteer base, continue to expand work with youth, offer face-to-face counselling in North Halton, and, as well, continue our ongoing work with seniors.

We received one-time funding through the Ontario Government Healthy Communities Fund to conduct weekly workshops at the Vanier Correctional Facility - Vanier Centre for Women - in Milton. This can only be described as a highly valuable program, which we are determined to continue.

We received a three-year grant from the Halton Region to offer Relationship Skills and Violence Prevention groups for boys and girls at EC Drury School for the Deaf in Milton.

We would like to extend our thanks to all SAVIS supporters - those who gave financially and those who contributed in-kind donations received in the fiscal year 2012/13. Many individuals gave generously to support SAVIS through general donations, in-kind and cash donations to the Outreach Program for the Holiday Drive, Back-to-School Drive, and the Summer Picnic for Women & Children; as well as donations to specific events such as Take Back the Night.

Thank you to all who donated in memory of Ingrid Zollikofer - we were overwhelmed by the outpouring of love.

In addition, we offer a very special thank you to all the volunteers and staff without whom none of this would be possible.

All support is sincerely appreciated and gratefully acknowledged!

Major donors and special individuals and companies are noted at the end of this report.

The Women of Halton Action Movement hosted a wonderfully successful International Women's Day Dinner Party (IWDD) again this year. SAVIS is a very grateful beneficiary and we extend heartfelt thanks to WHAM for donating proceeds of \$15,000 to SAVIS! Thank you WHAM!

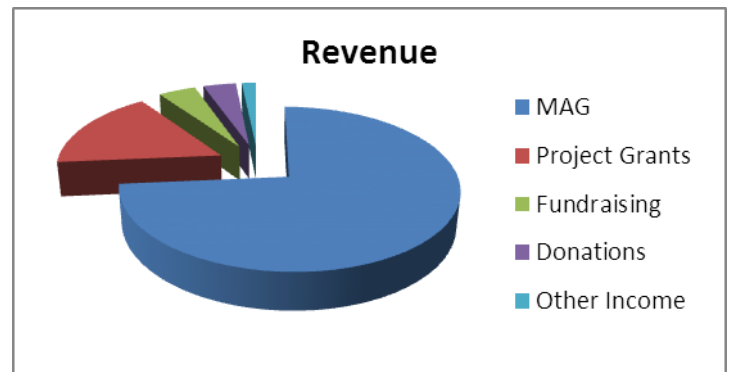
SAVIS' participation in Charity Bingo grossed \$3800 in the 2012-2013 year. The move to 'e-gaming' will culminate in a Grand Launch on June 18th, 2013, and we expect the change will modify the responsibilities of our dedicated Bingo Volunteers who have staffed the event every 4th Wednesday of the month over the midnight hour.

Our final annual Incredibowl 2012 netted just under \$8,000 thanks to the remarkable efforts of staff, volunteers and sponsors.

Full financials are available upon request.

2012-2013 Revenue:

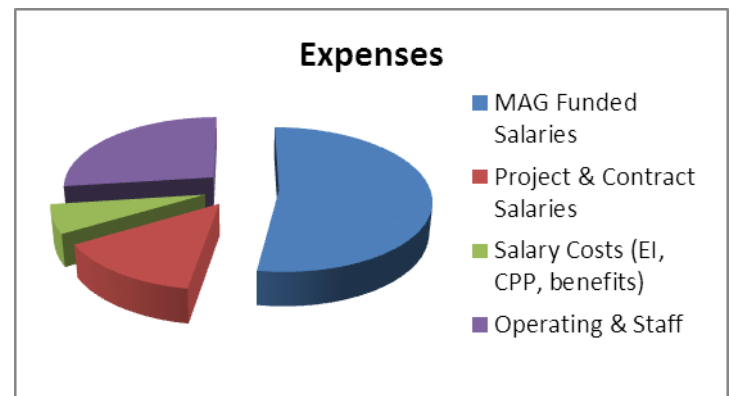
MAG	412,340
Project Grants	93,367
Fundraising	24,125
Donations	21,203
Other Income	9,219



SAVIS is provincially funded by the Ministry of the Attorney General who currently provide annual core funding of \$389,837.62. Additionally, they have committed to a further annual amount of \$22,502.23 for an undetermined period of time.

2012-2013 Expenses:

MAG Funded Salaries	275,603
Project & Contract Salaries	73,089
Salary Costs (EI, CPP, benefits)	33,739
Operating & Staff	141,973



Major Cash Donors 2012 – 2013:

\$100 – 250

Roger Beach
Brenninkmeyer Family Fund
Helen Brown
Jean Caine
Chrysalis Yoga
Park & Associates Insurance Agency
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Women of Halton Action Movement

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Grant Funders 2012 – 2013:

Ministry of the Attorney General, Victims and Vulnerable Persons Division.....	\$412,340
Government of Ontario, Healthy Communities Fund	\$13,105
HRDC Canada Summer Jobs	\$7,976
Halton Region	\$10,800
Ministry of the Attorney General, Services for Men ..	\$1,220
Ontario Trillium Foundation	\$62,500
United Way Burlington & Greater Hamilton	\$4,862
United Way Milton.....	\$8,000
United Way Oakville.....	\$4,248

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Ruth Perkins

June 2013

SAVIS Community Linkages 2012 – 2013

- Access Counselling
- Advancement Women Halton
- AIDS Action Halton
- AIDS Network
- Amnesty International
- Anselma House
- Association of University Women

- Baha'i Assembly of North Halton
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters Halton
- Bridging the Gap/Halton CAS
- Bronte Youth Centre

- Burlington Caribbean Connection
- Burlington Mosque
- Canadian Hearing Society
- Canadian Mental Health Association
- Canadian Women's Foundation
- Carousel of Nations
- Child and Youth Network of Halton
- Community Development Halton
- Community Living North Halton
- Community Living Oakville
- Elizabeth Fry Society of Halton-Peel
- Grace Anglican Church
- Halton Alcohol, Drug and Prevention Treatment (ADAPT)
- Halton Catholic District School Board
- Halton Children's Aid Society
- Halton Crisis Plan
- Halton Crown Attorney's Office

- Halton District School Board
- Halton Equity Roundtable
- Halton Multicultural Council
- Halton Organization for Pride & Education
- Halton Pride
- Halton Regional Police Services
- Halton Sexual and Domestic Violence Collaborative
- Halton Sexual Health Clinic
- Halton Violence Prevention Council
- Halton Women's Place
- Hope Centre Treatment Centre
- Home Suite Hope
- Incite Single Moms Support Group

- Male Allies Network Meeting
- Mayfair Bingo
- Milton Hospital
- Milton Hub (Our Kids Network)
- Milton Mosque
- Milton Transitional Housing
- Nina's Place Sexual & Domestic Violence Care Unit
- North Halton Mosque
- Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital
- Oakville Youth Centre
- Ontario Coalition of Rape Crisis Centres (OCRCC)
- Ontario Trillium Foundation
- Our Kids Network
- Parent Involvement Committee (HDSB)
- Port Nelson United Church
- Positive Space Network of Halton
- POSSE Project
- Probation and Parole (Oakville)
- Reclaim Our Democratic Region of Halton
- Sexual Assault Centre Hamilton (SACHA)
- Sheridan College
- Sikh Gurdwara (Burlington)
- St. Christopher's Church (Burlington)

- STRIDE
- Take Back the Night Planning Committee
- The Canadian Cancer Society
- The Centre for Skills Development and Training
- The Diabetes Association
- The George Hull Centre
- The Newcomer Information Centre
- The Women's Centre
- Thomas Merton Centre
- United Way Oakville
- United Way Milton

- Vanier Centre for Women
- Victim Services
- Vubiz
- Women of Halton Action Movement
- Women's Centre of Halton
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