

# Wheatland Crisis Society

## AT A GLANCE

### 2019/2020

In a survey conducted over the past 12 months, 105 adult clients of the shelter were asked *"If a second stage program was available in the community of Strathmore, would you or your family be interested in accessing this program?"*

**41%** said yes **35%** said no **24%** unsure/unanswered

From 2014 to 2019 WCS supported **49 victims of human trafficking.**



Victims experiences spanned **across 3 countries** and included incidents of both sex and labour trafficking.

Based on the number of incidents of human trafficking reported to Alberta Police from 2014-2019 it can be understood this crime is significantly underreported to police.

**66.8%** of individuals accessing shelter are first time users

## WHO WE ARE

The Wheatland Crisis Society provides programs and services to all people who are experiencing or affected by abuse. We are committed to a vision for the future where individuals and families are empowered to resolve conflict in peaceful and productive ways

TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD A SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITY WITHOUT ABUSE

- Get news & information
- Join our team
- Volunteer your time and talents
- Attend an event or program
- Follow us @wheatlandcrisissociety
- Make a donation (Visa, MasterCard & Discover Card accepted on-line)

Visit our website or contact us at 403-934-6634 or by email at [wcs.general@wcsab.ca](mailto:wcs.general@wcsab.ca)

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## 2019/2020 Report to the Community

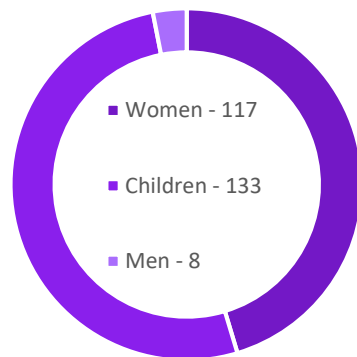


## OUR PROGRAMS & SERVICES

### RESIDENTIAL SHELTER PROGRAM

#### 2019 HIGHLIGHTS

**258** number of people served by the shelter from April 2019 to March 2020.



**168 adults and 78 children** were turned away from the shelter due to lack of capacity and were referred to other resources.

*I now know that I was in an unhealthy relationship that was abusive and controlling.*

### OUTREACH/COURT SUPPORT PROGRAM

#### 2019 HIGHLIGHTS



*"I am very grateful for this program and feel without it I may have found myself in another abusive relationship. I am thankful I can recognize the emotional abuse in the past and that it still affects me."*

**93 outreach clients** were served either in shelter offices or in donated community space in the towns of Arrowood, Three Hills and Drumheller. Transportation is often a barrier for accessing services and the outreach team utilizes all resources to erase this barrier.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS 2019 HIGHLIGHTS



The Early Intervention Program in shelter delivered **1392** hours of service to **234** parents and children

*"The Child and Youth workers are earth angels. I respect them for everything, especially the zoo trip. I don't know if we'll ever have the chance to do that again."*

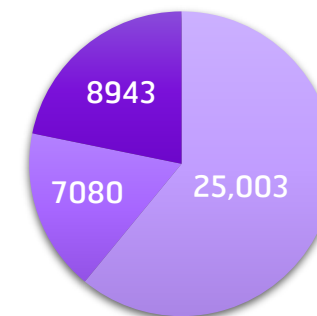
2514 visits to childcare

261 children accessed childcare

Child & youth staff spent **4442 hours** engaging children in programming

*"The playroom was the most helpful for the kids. Really demonstrated positive interactions with other adults and children."*

### CRISIS LINE MINUTES



Residential Crisis Counselling Information

**1393** calls from individuals seeking shelter

**292** calls seeking crisis counseling

**935** calls for information & requests

### CRISIS LINE PROGRAM

#### 2019 HIGHLIGHTS



### PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAM

#### 2019

#### HIGHLIGHTS



91% of Jr./Sr. high students said they learned new things about safety and healthy choices while attending a WCS Public Education presentation

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS SELF ESTEEM WAYS TO SOLVE CONFLICT  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & THE WORKPLACE EMPATHY BULLYING

**7260** individuals received presentations this year