A Note from the Executive Director

It is my privilege to share with you the great successes of DAIS programs last year and the impact they have made in the Dane County community and, most importantly, in the lives of survivors of domestic abuse.

After a full year in our new facility, DAIS is so much more than just a building. DAIS provides a healing space and a safe home, or a supportive phone call day or night. Advocates extend a helping hand to help overcome barriers, and navigate life’s challenges. DAIS encourages thought provoking discussions as well as space to process and rebuild.

In addition to services provided in 2015, DAIS conducted a Community Needs Assessment to inform our strategies for community collaboration and program planning. Also in 2015, DAIS launched the first Texting Help Line in Dane County to increase access to services for those experiencing teen dating violence. Additionally, DAIS continued to expand its prevention program in order to address the root causes of intimate partner violence.

This report is a reminder of the impact we are making in the lives of survivors of domestic abuse, but we know that more work still needs to be done to create lasting change. As DAIS moves forward, we continue to build an organization that operates from a position of strength and stability. DAIS is focused on providing a service continuum to help victims become free of violence in their lives. As a community we need to address what stands in the way of victims reaching out for help: fear and shame are among the strongest of these barriers. Only by working together can we transform Dane County into a community of hope and safety.

Shannon Barry, MSSW
Executive Director

“With the help of DAIS, I am in the right place to pursue a life that makes me happy and one that I know I deserve.”
- Former DAIS Client
I cannot express enough thanks to each of you for the years of support. I am the woman I am today because of you.

- Former DAIS Client

Pictured above are a few of the advocates who help break down barriers for victims of domestic violence every day.

2015 Program Expansion Highlights

Texting Help Line:
Thanks to generous support from Dean & St. Mary’s, DAIS launched a Texting Help Line to provide an additional point of access for those experiencing teen dating violence. Nearly one in three teens who have been in relationships have experienced dating violence. Access to a free and confidential Texting Help Line allows teens, as well as anyone impacted by domestic violence to reach out to a trusted and safe source for the support they need.

Community Needs Assessment:
DAIS gathered feedback from a total of 216 individuals from three main stakeholder groups: domestic violence survivors, community partners, and DAIS staff and volunteers. The results from the 2015 Community Needs Assessment helped to validate our current service model and offered insights into possible expanded programming in the future.
2015 Program Updates

24-Hour Help Line:
The Help Line is the gateway through which clients gain access to DAIS services. Help Line Advocates provide clients, as well as family, friends and community members with support, information, referrals to other community agencies, and safety planning.

Emergency Shelter:
DAIS operates the only emergency shelter in Dane County for victims of domestic violence and their children. Shelter Advocates provide intensive case management, family safety planning, food and clothing, and information and support.

Community Response:
Community Response Advocates provide clients with face-to-face emergency safety planning, basic restraining order assistance, housing information, support, and referrals to other community resources.

Legal Advocacy:
Legal Advocates help clients file for restraining orders and prepare for final restraining order hearings. They also provide in-person support during hearings, as well as support and advocacy in the civil court and family court systems. Legal Advocates are not attorneys and do not provide legal advice.

In 2015, there were roughly 15,984 CALLS to the Help Line.

In 2015, the shelter served 542 ADULTS & CHILDREN and provided 19,215 NIGHTS OF SAFETY.

Served 313 clients in 2015.

The best thing you did for me today was just listening. You can give me all the resources in the world, but you are the only person who ever really listened to me. How many times can I say thank you…it seems it will never be enough. A little part of me just came back.”

- Former DAIS Client

www.abuseintervention.org
Support Group:
Support Groups help clients decrease their isolation, increase their safety, and connect with other DAIS services and community resources. DAIS offers five weekly support groups, including one in Spanish, and one monthly support group for friends and family members.

Children’s Program:
Children’s Program Advocates help children process their experiences, provide them with safety and structure, promote non-violent conflict resolution, and use positive discipline techniques. This program also provides trauma-informed, family-centered programming that focuses on strengthening the bond between the protective parent or caretaker and the child/youth.

CAPE (Community Awareness Prevention Education):
The CAPE program offers workshops, presentations and trainings tailored for specific groups to raise awareness about domestic abuse and promote healthy relationships.

In 2015, the CAPE Program provided 174 CAPE presentations to a variety of groups across Dane County reaching over 4,598 individuals.

In 2015, DAIS co-facilitated MENS CLUBS at four sites:
1. LaFollette High School
2. Lussier Community Education Center
3. West High School
4. Work & Learn Center

MENS (Men Encouraging Nonviolent Strength):
MENS Clubs are the main primary prevention initiative that DAIS provides. MENS Clubs work with high school aged male youth and are community-based and collaborative programs, helping to address the root causes of gender-based violence. DAIS co-facilitates these clubs with a male facilitator from the school or community center providing programming that focuses on gender roles and expectations, communication, conflict resolution, and healthy relationships.

In 2015, DAIS co-facilitated MENS CLUBS at four sites:
1. LaFollette High School
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### Statement of Financial Position

#### Assets

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**TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS** $2,637,372

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**TOTAL ASSETS** $8,686,381

#### Liabilities and Net Assets

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**TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES** $359,911

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**TOTAL LIABILITIES** $1,197,021

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Total Unrestricted Net Assets | 6,807,978 |
| Temporarily Restricted | 681,382 |

**TOTAL NET ASSETS** $7,489,360

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS** $8,686,381

### Statement of Activities for Fiscal Year 2015

#### Support & Revenue

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**TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE** $2,714,100

#### Expenses

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**TOTAL EXPENSES** $3,324,109

**DECREASE IN NET ASSETS** $610,009

*This year’s deficit was planned in the organization’s multi-year operating budget, which is being supplemented by funds from an operating reserve established during the capital campaign. The reserve supports the organization as it builds its capacity to respond to an increase in community needs. The organization will spend down the reserve over the next several years, as it works to increase revenue from other sources.*

The 2015 Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Activities have been approved by Wegner LLP. Copies of the Complete Audit Report are available upon request. DAIS complies with all applicable state and federal reporting requirements.
2015 Donors to DAIS

This list recognizes 2015 monetary gifts during the 2015 fiscal year. Please note that a full listing of donations of $250 or more is available on the DAIS website.

$5,000-$9,999
- Alliant Energy Foundation
- Anonymous
- Jill Ball
- CapSpecialty
- Patrick & Mary Cassidy
- The Comer Family Fund
- Covenant Presbyterian Church
- Dean & St. Mary’s
- The Employer Group
- Eppstein Uhen Foundation
- The Great Dane Pub & Brewing Company
- JoAnn Gruber-Hagen & Doug Hagen
- Messiah Lutheran Church
- National Guardian Life Insurance Company
- Brent & Marge Nicholson
- PACE, Inc.
- Robertson Plastic Surgery
- Spectrum Brands
- The Sunshine Lady Foundation
- Unity Health Insurance
- Debbie Wittwer

$1,000-$2,499
- American Transmission Company
- Anonymous
- Applied Tech Solutions Inc.
- Matthew Apter
- Ryan & Abby Behling
- Bank of Sun Prairie
- Barry Chic
- Shannon Barry & William Bolz
- Martha & Tom Beach
- Marnie & Rick Beebe
- Gi Gi Bedner
- Kenneth Berg
- Bethany United Methodist Church
- Joanna Burish
- Terri & Damon Bresenham
- Ellen Brothers
- Brian Brugger
- Kathleen & James Butman
- Kristen Carreira
- Courtney & Guy Comer
- Betty & Corkey Custer
- DeWitt Ross & Stevens
- Marci Dubler
- Bob & Sue Eagle
- Erdman
- The Finley Hird Group at Morgan Stanley
- First Weber Group Foundation, Inc.
- Philip & Janice Fisher
- Fletcher Family Foundation
- Marty Fox & Catherine Briggs
- John Frautschki
- Leslie Frisinger
- Kenneth & Mary Gehring
- Andy & Jennifer Giesler
- Girls Scouts of Wisconsin Troop 1099
- JILL & BRAD GORDON FAMILY FOUNDATION
- John E. Wall Family & DEMCO, Inc.
- John F. Wall Family Foundation
- September 11th Foundation
- Steve & Barbara Horwitz
- St. Mary’s Hospital Foundation
- Diane Husek
- ABRAHAMS FAMILY FOUNDATION
- M3 Insurance
- Madison Gas and Electric Company Foundation
- Kathryn Switzky
- Round’s Foundation
- Summit Credit Union
- Verizon Wireless HopeLine Program
- Webcrafters – Frautschi Foundation
- ZONTA Club of Madison

$2,500-$4,999
- Inner Fire Yoga Center
- Madison Rotary Foundation
- Sue Harris & Ken Hitzke
- Meriter Health Services
- US Bank
- La Lingerie
- Employee Benefits Corporation
- First Congregational United Church of Christ
- Green Bay Packers Foundation
- Madison Investment Advisors, Inc.
- Functional Integrated Training
- A+ Storage, Inc.
- First United Methodist Church
- Diane & Wendell Keene
- Endres Manufacturing Co. Foundation
- Dean Clinic Aesthetic Surgery Center
- Willis Long

$5,000-$9,999
- American Family Insurance
- Holly & Jim Berkenstadt
- CUNA Mutual Foundation
- Irwin A. & Robert D. Goodman Foundation

$25,000-$49,999
- A Fund for Women
- Alpha Chi Omega
- Avon Products Foundation
- Anna & Andy Burish
- Bea & Lau Christensen
- Natalie & Daniel Erdman
- Epic Systems Corporation
- Evjue Foundation
- Kathleen Egan Heath
- Pat & Angie Heim
- Kathleen Hempel
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$10,000-$24,999
- Alpha Chi Omega
- Avon Products Foundation
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- Bea & Lau Christensen
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West Bend Foundation, Inc.
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Tammy Willis
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Alpha Delta Kappa - Iota Chapter
American Printing Company
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Deb Archer
Associated Bank
Leo J. Shapiro & Associates
Association of Wisconsin Lobbyists
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Au Fait Hair
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Deneen Carmichael
Ben & Lauren Carpenter
Terri Jo Carufel-Wert
Samie Chambers
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Christ Presbyterian Church
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City of Stoughton

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Sarah Condella
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Virginia Davis
Dean Clinic
Eve & Carl Degen
Demco, Inc
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Barbara Diercks
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Jason Dorgan
Ruth & Warren Downs
Dragonfly Hot Yoga
Margaret Carlson & Carla Draper
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Lynn Dupree
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Elegant Bridal, LLC
Roy & Stephanie Elkins
End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin
Excellence in Dentistry
Ulla Eyewear
Michael and Teresa Fagan
Emily Feinstein & Joe Kaufman
Melinda Lewis Feraro
First Presbyterian Church
Bridget Flynn
Cecely Castillo & Matthew Fortney
Amy Fosdick
Sharon & Scott Frank
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  Denmark-Friedman
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Genesis Hair Designs, Inc.
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Ideal Builders
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Elizabeth Katt Reinders
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Katherine Kostrivas
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The Madison Concourse Hotel
Madison Elk’s Lodge
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Mainstream Boutique
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Chas & Dave Martin
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Middleton Dress Co.
Sven Midelfort
Richard Milburn
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Jennifer Zilavy
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You and DAIS. One. And for all.

Our mission is to empower those affected by domestic violence and advocate for social change through support, education and outreach.