Hope on the horizon

IMPACT REPORT 2020 - 2021
Dear Friends and Advocates,

As Bradley Angle wraps up our 2021 fiscal year, I reflect on all the challenges we have encountered and the resiliency I have witnessed in those we served, in our staff, and across our community. Like many others, we entered this year feeling a bit apprehensive, unsure of what it would bring.

Despite the ongoing pandemic, a challenging election year, and an uncertain economy, we have achieved substantial progress as an organization while co-navigating alongside our survivors. Our most significant achievement has been our ability to continue to advance Bradley Angle’s mission by investing in culturally specific programs for communities of color. Many compounding effects of domestic violence go unseen within these groups.

Survivors of color make up a substantially smaller percentage of the general population, yet experience more than 35% higher rates of domestic violence than white survivors. Our team has remained focused on targeted service delivery despite the calls to action made this year against survivors of trauma and violence, against the LGBTQ+ community, and against equality for all. In opposition to these voices, we have stood together and are actively engaged in community partnerships and business relationships that will increase our long-term sustainability.

Looking forward to the year ahead, Bradley Angle will continue the work needed to ensure that our organization’s reach is further than ever before. We will continue to work strategically to position our voice as a mile marker towards progress in the elevation of domestic violence as a public health issue and echo the brilliance of domestic violence survivors as they continue to unearth their greatness.

Bradley Angle would not be who we are today without the passion and participation of members of our community. We thank you for your ongoing support, and we can’t wait to continue our partnership — our services are needed now more than ever.

Bri Condon
Executive Director, Bradley Angle
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Our Programs

Emergency Services
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Last year, our Bonnie Tinker and Tami Best Shelters provided refuge to 43 adult survivors and 73 youth, totaling 6,528 nights of safe shelter.

Housing Assistance
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Last year, our Housing program helped 140 families find stable homes. A high 80% of families placed from the year prior are still safely housed.

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Last year, EEP helped 18 survivors meet a personal savings goal, or receive a scholarship. A total of $44,941 was saved for transportation, education, or technology related to employment.

Healing Roots
Survivors who come from communities of color experience additional barriers to services due to racism and xenophobia. This is why our Healing Roots and Kinship programs, which support Black and African American survivors and their children, are crucial to ensuring equitable access.

Last year Healing Roots supported 30 families by offering financial aid and advocacy and provided emotional support through 49 virtual support groups.

Kinship
We launched Kinship, our latest culturally specific program for Black and African American youth, in September 2020 to address the impacts intergenerational trauma experienced. We help kids to strengthen community bonds through peer support groups, family field trips, and culturally specific mentorship opportunities.

Kinship provided supportive services to 33 kids and teens in this partial year. Our first Mother’s Day event celebrated 21 moms with handmade gifts from their children.

LGBTQ+
Our longest running culturally specific program was started in 1999 and it remains one of the few of its kind in Oregon for LGBTQ+ survivors. Despite all the progress that has been made, bias still exists and so we continue to provide emotional support and advocacy, and help survivors build internal assets of self-care and resilience.

Last year, many LGBTQ+ survivors expressed heightened isolation and essential items needs. We quickly responded by distributing food boxes, hygiene kits, and self-care packages.

“...and it wouldn’t have come this far without the help of Bradley Angle”
- Survivor
Two women in an abusive relationship is a unique situation. I could feel the police officers’ curiosity and confusion each time I called them for help. I felt that if no one else could understand how our relationship worked, then how could I? I must be exaggerating or extrapolating, as my partner so often accused me of doing. And yet, her continued abuse still left me with sore muscles, bruises, scratches— all easily covered with lies about falling out of a Yoga handstand or scarves in July.

I searched for an organization that would be able to help me without questioning me, my situation, who I am, or my values. Because of that, I decided to call Bradley Angle.

I registered for a group class that would help LGBTQIA+ survivors unwind abusive relationships’ relational nuances and trauma. I knew immediately that this was a place that would see ME and not the distinctions of my former relationship. I learned so much about abusive patterns, cycles, behaviors and how I, as a survivor, can learn to recognize them and respond to them. At our classes, the tables would be lined with people just like me. It was an instrumental comfort and community at my most vulnerable time.

I am honored to be an extension of Bradley Angle’s programs. There is a moment distinctly ingrained in my memory, walking down the street after one of the meetings at Bradley Angle. I looked up from the concrete and noticed the color of the leaves on the trees lining the sidewalk had changed. They were in technicolor, so bright and radiant. I looked at the sky and noticed its blue had also become so vibrant. This was when I began to feel alive again and I have Bradley Angle to thank.

The impact of COVID-19 has been substantial for all lives connected to our efforts, both survivors and staff, and influenced most of the line items of our organizational budget. There was a heightened sense of awareness in the philanthropic community regarding the impact of stay-at-home orders on domestic violence survivors. This resulted in a slight increase in our community giving portfolio for one time only gifts.

The disruptiveness of COVID-19 for social service agencies has created the phenomena of highly unpredictable events compounding upon one another that is creating more and more strain on our agency. Despite this, in 2022 Bradley Angle seeks to leverage informed strategy to nurture and sustain current programming efforts. We will be striving to grow our brand recognition as a leader in the domestic violence field, fueled by our ability to create a stronger workforce. At Bradley Angle, lived experience fuels our continued efforts in each and every one of our expenditure categories.