

WHAT'S UP AT WOMENSAFE

where we're always working toward a safer community for all

Sign up for WomenSafe's e-newsletter!

We're going paperless! WomenSafe strives for environmental responsibility, and will be moving to electronic newsletter distribution. Here's what you can expect to receive when you sign up to receive emails:

1. Survivor stories
2. Program snapshots
3. Event updates
4. Ways to get involved

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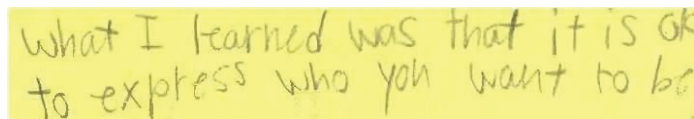
Back to school!

School is back in session and WomenSafe educators are energized to empower youth in our community!

Our team provides education on healthy sexuality and violence prevention, utilizing age-appropriate and inclusive curriculum for youth across the gender and sexuality spectrum. Our program equips youth with the skills and knowledge to:

- Cultivate healthy, respectful relationships
- Develop and maintain effective communication with trusted adults
- Recognize and prevent sexual abuse and sexual violence
- Establish boundaries in relationships and develop language and practices around permission and consent

We're excited to empower the next generation of youth with the knowledge to make healthy choices and become changemakers in their own families, schools, and communities.



- Addison county elementary school student



Impactful Giving Spotlight

We are endlessly grateful for the support and generosity of our community. Thank you to these partners - and many others - who stand with WomenSafe and the survivors we serve.

Middlebury Rotary:

This summer, WomenSafe was awarded a \$3,000 grant from the Middlebury Rotary. These funds will go to support critical programming in our community

Vergennes Congregational Church:

The church generously supplied us with funds to support survivors with their laundry needs.



Foresta Castañeda, Transitional Housing Coordinator (left), and Christina Grier, Interim Executive Director (right), accept the Middlebury Rotary grant at the June 22nd ceremony.

Welcoming Elyssa Boisselle, Executive Director

After an extensive nationwide search, WomenSafe’s staff and Board are proud to announce our new Executive Director: Elyssa Boisselle.

A resident of Bristol with over 20 years of experience in anti-violence, Elyssa initially joined the WomenSafe staff late last year as our Services Director. Upon coming onboard, she rapidly demonstrated her knowledge, passion and skill as a social-justice oriented visionary leader who was uniquely positioned to steward our agency through its next phase of development.

From Elyssa:

“I am grateful to join the extraordinary staff at WomenSafe as the Executive Director. Embodying this role means upholding the mission, values, and culture that this organization has collectively built. It means collaboratively co-creating a vision for the future with this community, rooted in social justice principles and guided by our racial equity values. I’m honored by this opportunity to serve the community that I live in.”

We are excited to welcome Elyssa to the team and usher in a new era of leadership for WomenSafe.

