Martina’s Story
My partner hurt me so badly I was taken to the hospital. Immediately after, I arrived at SPAN with my baby—we had nothing. SPAN gave me the care that a mother gives to her child, and for that I am forever grateful. If it wasn’t for SPAN’s support, I would not be here today. SPAN helped me become strong and independent. I finally believe in myself and my ability to keep me and my daughter safe.
Dear Friends,
As we reflect on SPAN's work in 2020, it is difficult to find words that adequately describe the year. Yes, it was challenging: the pandemic escalated incidents of domestic violence and required dramatic changes in just about everything we do at SPAN. And, yes, it was a year of political discord, social unrest and a long overdue national reckoning of systemic racism.

As much as 2020 posed unparalleled strains on the organization, it also offered unexpected opportunities for positive change. SPAN’s Education Team masterfully modified our middle/high school violence prevention curriculum to an online, virtual format, making it accessible to nearly 2,000 Boulder Valley middle and high school students in 2020. Our Counseling Team developed safe tele-health options for survivors in need of trauma support, including arranging IT resources and assistance for families needing them. The Shelter managed to protect survivors and their children from COVID-19 while also providing safe refuge from abusers threatening harm. Our Housing Team distributed more than $160,000 in rental assistance to ensure survivors could remain safely housed.

2020 was undeniably challenging, but for all of us at SPAN, it was also a year of profound gratitude. Gratitude for the thousands of survivors who trusted us with their stories and their vulnerability. Gratitude for the SPAN staff whose compassion and determination was nothing less than inspirational. Gratitude for our Board whose clarity and reassuring leadership epitomized “keep calm and carry on”. And, gratitude for our generous community of supporters and donors who sustained our work. Many of the challenges of 2020 continue into 2021, and we are more than ready to meet them!

In peace,
Anne Tapp (she/her)
Executive Director

Dear SPAN Supporters,
I think we all agree that we can put the word unprecedented out to pasture for a while, but there is no other way to say it: 2020 was an unprecedented year for SPAN, with a pandemic and the economic turmoil it brought, during a time of intense political and civil discord. Through it all SPAN staff, board members, interns and volunteers were unwavering in their common commitment to survivors and social justice.

Anne Tapp, SPAN’s Executive Director, showed tremendous leadership and relentless dedication throughout the year, helping to develop plans and back-up plans and back-up plans to the back-up plans, all to ensure that SPAN’s services, including our Emergency Shelter, remained open, accessible and safe from COVID. Our staff demonstrated resilience and creativity, pivoting to meet survivors’ evolving needs. Our very generous donors continued to support SPAN as our fundraising events were canceled or reinvented. SPAN’s social justice work continued to evolve in 2020, as human rights were threatened by police brutality toward black people, pervasive anti-immigrant bias and anti-Asian sentiment, and political unrest.

Just like the rest of you, the SPAN family also said goodbye to loved ones and welcomed new babies into our families.

I am profoundly grateful to all SPAN staff, volunteers and donors who worked so hard and gave so generously, ensuring that we could continue to offer services to survivors safely and strive to end violence against all people. It is my honor to be part of SPAN’s work and to partner with such a compassionate and dedicated team.

Peace,
Debbie Ramirez (she/her)
SPAN Board Chair
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- Devin Duncan
Creating Protective Environments (CPE) Project Coordinator

2020 SPAN Program Highlights
The Covid-19 pandemic caused tremendous challenges for survivors of domestic violence and their families. With the support of our community, SPAN was able to provide emergency services and resources to over 12,000 individuals in 2020.

**24 Hour Crisis Hotline**
11,332 calls
answered by trained Advocates who offered support and safety planning for survivors.

**Outreach Counseling**
562 individuals
received support through independent and group sessions while remaining Covid-safe.

**Safe Shelter**
208 adults & 49 children

**Legal Advocacy**
224 individuals
received crisis intervention, information, and support with protective orders and other civil and criminal legal assistance.

**Anti-Violence Education**
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**Transitional Housing**
241 individuals
received long-term support and case management, including 165 adults and families who received intensive housing support.

You can continue to provide safe refuge and support to survivors of domestic violence and their children in Boulder and Broomfield counties. Together, we end domestic violence in our community. Make a donation today.
2020 Financial Report

- 6% Other Income: $219,307
- 5% Special Events: $180,705
- 10% Grants & Trusts: $323,644
- 21% Public Donations: $706,593
- 58% Gov Support: $1,972,625

Total Revenue: $3,402,874

- 14% Education Program: $326,653
- 14% Admin/Fundraising: $313,393
- 15% Counseling Program: $344,057
- 20% Housing/Economic Justice: $482,365
- 27% Shelter Program: $627,481

Program Expenses: $2,319,469

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