The Rape Victim Advocacy Program provides free, confidential, trauma-informed advocacy to all affected by sexual violence and promotes social change through prevention education.

This has been a year of growth, change, and renewed passion for RVAP. As the new Executive Director, I want to thank you for your continued support and collaboration. The drive and dedication of our staff is emboldened by the commitment and assistance we receive from the community. Every time it feels like we have reached the peak of our abilities as an agency, we find more space for the work that needs to be done. Which rang very true this year, as RVAP provided more support services and prevention education than ever before. We are proud and humbled to do this work and to be a resource for all affected by sexual violence. Please join RVAP as we continue to take a stand against sexual violence.

- Jennifer Carlson
Executive Director, RVAP
RVAP AFFECTING SOCIAL CHANGE SUPPORT, ADVOCACY, AND PREVENTION ACTIVITY IN FY15

RVAP has seen an 84 percent increase in total services.

7 bars in Iowa City have been trained to identify and prevent unwanted sexual activity through the Raise the Bar training provided by RVAP.

“It brought up situations I had not been in or thought about how to handle, and I now feel more confident in being able to have a quicker effective response to situations.”

565 people have been helped through RVAP’s counseling and advocacy services.

1,368 calls have been answered by the Iowa Sexual Abuse Hotline, which is up 250% from last year.

55 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS

30 have volunteered for a year or less
20 have volunteered for 2-4 years
4 have volunteered for 5-10 years
1 has volunteered for more than 10 years

CORE VALUES

Bystander Intervention
Helps potential bystanders to sexual violence learn intervention techniques
It starts with you. Stand up. Don’t stand by.

Take Back the Night
is an annual march providing the opportunity for all to speak out against sexual violence.
Resilient not silent.

Iowa Sexual Abuse Hotline
Statewide 24-hour hotline for anyone affected by sexual violence. 1-800-284-7821.

The Clothesline Project
20th anniversary of this interpersonal violence awareness project where t-shirts are used as vehicles for survivors to share their experience with violence.

What I Was Wearing
Brand new art installation where survivors share what they were wearing when victimized.

Support Groups
Facilitated trauma informed yoga sessions, talk-based psychoeducational sessions, and drop-in resiliency and thriving support groups.

RVAP would like to thank you for your support this past year. If you would like to donate your time or make a financial contribution, please visit our website at rvap.org