



sexual violence centre cork

2019

ANNUAL REPORT



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CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

On behalf of the Board of Directors, it gives me great pleasure to present the Annual Report for 2019. The past year at the Centre has been one filled with care, concern and support for those who have experienced sexual assault and activism in our continued fight against sexual violence.

The mission of the Centre is to prevent sexual violence through education and advocacy and to provide counselling care for those who experience sexual violence in its various forms. The Centre's core activity is the provision of survivor centred counselling and our staff continue to make a difference in our client's lives, as evidenced by client feedback. We also provide support to the families and friends of survivors, appreciating the value of such networks. I wish to thank our counsellors for the difficult work that they do with compassion and dedication. I also wish to acknowledge the additional outreach work done by the Centre, such as meeting clients in in SATU (Sexual Assault Treatment Unit) and supporting them in court. The numbers seeking help and support has again increased in 2019 with a significant proportion being students.

The Centre's commitment to responding to the various forms that sexual violence takes is evident in the range of clients (age, gender, sexuality, ethnicity) we meet, in the educational programme we provide and in new initiatives launched in 2019. CEO Mary Crilly visited schools throughout the city and county of Cork, engaging with pupils and their teachers. The core message imparted to hundreds of young persons is to understand the meaning of consent with the aim of reducing the future perpetration of sexual violence. One of the school projects we supported in 2019 won a Young Social Innovators award. We note too that Mary Crilly's tireless work in this regard was recognised by UCC in presenting her with the inaugural Athena Swan Equality Award. The Board would similarly like to acknowledge all the work she does locally, nationally and internationally in the fight against sexual violence.

Consent was also foregrounded in a new initiative launched in 2019: the #AskConsent campaign. As part of this campaign, students' unions in CIT and UCC were involved in organising Consent Tea Parties. The Tea Party in UCC was the world's first such event. Outside of the third level sector, high profile retailers in Cork city and Oliver Plunkett Street displayed signs and bunting showing support for the campaign.

A second major new initiative in 2019 was Cork Against Human Trafficking (CAHT @CorkAHT.) This group continues the work of the Centre in terms of awareness raising, seeking to make visible what is happening in plain sight. The Centre's foundation of this group was animated by its recognition that a failure to recognise the humanity of the person trafficked is shared whether the person is trafficked for labour or sexual exploitation purposes.

I would also like to pay special thanks to the Board members. They meet regularly to support the ongoing work of the Centre and maintain good governance. The Board members in 2019 were: Nura Haji who brings a knowledge of issues facing women immigrants and ethnic minority communities, Noirin Fleming who brings a wealth of experience of working with young persons and engaging with corporate governance, Mary Brosnan a secondary school teacher in Cork city who brings her knowledge and experience of working with young people aged 12 to 18, and Anne McCarthy who was chair until her departure mid-2019. I would personally like to thank Anne McCarthy for her years of service on the Board. It was a pleasure to work with her and I hope to emulate her effective management style.

The Board is deeply grateful to Tusla, its principal funder and the Department of Justice and Equality. The work could not be carried out without the support received from the funders. The Centre's work could also not take place without the donations provided by various individuals and without the volunteers who support the Centre's work, particularly our younger volunteers who help ensure that we maintain our presence in a variety of social media platforms and have revitalised older platforms, such as the zine.

We hope that you find the Report informative and encourage you to follow us on social media to keep up-to-date with our activities.

Catherine O'Sullivan

Chairperson
Sexual Violence Centre Cork



A FEW WORDS FROM THE CEO

I have said many times that it has been my privilege to work in the Sexual Violence Centre since it opened its doors 37 years ago. It continues to be an honour and a privilege. I continue to experience despair at the level of sexual violence in our country and at the extent of victim blaming. I despair at the continued low conviction rate. My hope however, is greater than my despair. That hope is driven by the courageous victims I get to meet, by the young people I get to meet and by developments within our criminal justice system such as the development of the specialised Protective Services Units within An Garda Síochána.

As I write this piece, Ireland has spent six months living with the changed reality brought by Covid 19. The Centre has been closed to personal callers since March 2020 and I still find it strange to see the purple door closed. We have continued to work behind those doors, moving to provide services over the phone and online. We will continue to be available. We will continue to provide services. We did not go away. We will not go away.

This is our 2019 Annual Report. 2019 seems like a faraway place. 2019 was however another pivotal year in providing services to victims of sexual violence, their families and friends and the wider community. The Centre provided services to 580 victims in 2019, compared to 599 in 2018. In 2019, 358 victims made contact with the Centre for the first time, compared to 407 victims in 2018. 2019 saw an increase in those under 18 years of age accessing our service and 37% of our clients were third level students. Every year we encounter students who are raped or sexually assaulted. College freshers strike me as particularly vulnerable and I believe them to be targeted by perpetrators. Surveys tell us that the majority of students don't report sexual assault and 1 in 3 students say they have been sexually assaulted. This has to stop. There needs to be zero tolerance. I believe that the issues of consent should be part of second level and primary level school curricula.

In 2019 we continued raising awareness about sexual violence and some of the campaigns are highlighted in the following pages including, V Day, Ask for Angela

and Fixed It. This Annual Report gives a snapshot of the events we organized or participated in.

In July, the Centre was involved in establishing Cork Against Human Trafficking CAHT. A number of non-profit and statutory agencies joined forces to raise their combined voices against Human Trafficking in Ireland, with a particular focus on Cork. Human Trafficking finds itself at home in Ireland, alive on the streets of Cork and very clearly Hidden in Plain Sight. As I write this I am aware that Ireland, to its shame, has been downgraded in the 2019 TIP Report. Ireland is the only Western European country on their Tier 2 watchlist.

2020 has brought new challenges to add to those that already existed. It would be easy to be overwhelmed at times by the violence and injustice in the world and by the knowledge that rape and child sexual abuse is tolerated in our society. One third of clients attending our Centre in 2019 were survivors of child sexual abuse. Side by side with the overwhelm is hope - hope that we can make a change. One person can make a difference. Together we can make a difference.

I thank each and every victim I have met. Your courage and your bravery give me what it takes to keep on going. I thank every friend and family member who has supported their loved ones who have been victims of sexual violence. It makes a huge difference. Thank you to the caring, wise professionals who work with victims of violence. Thank you to everyone who has supported the work of the Centre, in big ways and littler ways. It all counts. It all adds up. Thank Fílfina you.

Mary Crilly

CEO
Sexual Violence Centre Cork
August 2020





ABOUT US

The Centre has provided services to victims of sexual violence in Cork City and County since 1983. The Centre was formally known as Cork Rape Crisis Service. The decision to change our name to Sexual Violence Centre Cork was made in 2004 to coincide with our 21st anniversary of service provision. This name more accurately reflects both the range of clients who attend the Centre and the reality of the sexual violence that they experience; from rape, sexual assault, child sexual abuse, online sexual abuse, and sexual harassment, to, sex trafficking, FGM, forced marriage and domestic violence. We now provide services to all individuals who are aged 14 years and above; this includes teenagers, women and men.

REFORMATTING OUR ANNUAL REPORT

Our report and accounts are presented in a changed format this year. The new format is in line with best practice guidelines and good governance standards, as set out in the Charities Regulator Annual Report guidelines.

AIMS

The Centre has two main aims:

1. To work towards the elimination of violence in society
2. To provide the highest quality of service provision to victims of sexual violence



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Commitment to Best Practice

The Sexual Violence Centre Cork is a registered charity (CHY 9591) and a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital (CRO 242357). The Centre is registered with the Charities Regulatory Authority and is compliant with the Charities Governance Code.

The Centre is registered as a lobbying organisation on the register of lobbying.ie.

The Centre complies with the standards set forth in the Charity Regulators Guidelines for Charitable Organisations on Fundraising from the Public.

Board of Directors:

Catherine O'Sullivan

Nura Hagi

Noirin Deady

Mary Brosnan

Vittorio Bufacchi

AIM 1: TO WORK TOWARDS THE ELIMINATION OF VIOLENCE IN SOCIETY

The primary objective of the Centre is to work towards the elimination of sexual violence in society. In 2019, the Centre provided expert analysis to the media, and advocated for victims of sexual violence through various channels. Throughout the year, we provided briefings, insights, and expertise to organisations and agencies that sought our input in relation to sexual violence. We participated in talks, workshops, seminars and forums. It is increasingly evident that there is a shift away from more traditional print media towards radio and social media. The Centre's online engagement levels continue to surge. We now have more Facebook, Twitter and Instagram followers than ever before. The Centre continues to roll out innovative and creative campaigns to engage audiences regardless of age or gender. These campaigns take place on a local, national and international level.

INTERNATIONAL

The Centre participated in the international **Convey Project**, aimed to change the attitudes and behaviours of young people through the use of digital education. Along with Italy, Cyprus, Bulgaria, Greece and the United Kingdom, the Sexual Violence Centre Cork has trained teachers and facilitated workshops with secondary school students. This project finished in 2019 and produced an online game, policy recommendations and a social awareness campaign against sexual violence. The project was heavily influenced by 14-18 year old Cork based students. On the 24th April 2019, students were invited to participate in demonstrations in the Centre.



The Centre is a member of the **WAVE (Women Against Violence Europe) Network**, serving as a source of information about violence against women and children in Ireland. In October 2019, Mary Crilly spoke at the 21st annual WAVE Conference in Estonia, facilitating the exchange of ideas and dissemination of information to fellow attendees.



'We can despair, but we will keep going!'

NATIONAL

We are part of the National Advisory Committee for the Ending of Sexual Harassment and Violence in Third Level Education (ESHTE) project: **'It Stops Now'** (www.itstopsnow.org). Together we aim to create a culture of zero tolerance towards sexual harassment and violence in third level institutions.



Mary Crilly pictured at 'It Stops Now' Conference with Nell McCafferty and Ellen O'Malley Dunlop



'It Stops Now' artwork

LOCAL

Ask for Angela is a campaign that offers people a discreet way to seek help or support while socialising on nights out. Focusing on the problem of sexual harassment and assault, venues have been asked to sign up to demonstrate their seriousness about tackling these crimes. The scheme is not tailored to any specific gender, age or sexual orientation. It originated in Lincolnshire in 2016, and gathered momentum throughout the UK, before reaching Ireland. There are now 'Ask for Angela' venues in Cork, Waterford, Clare and Dublin. In Cork, many organisations rallied behind the launch of 'Ask for Angela'. It had the support of the Gardai, Cork Vintners Federation of Ireland, The Old Oak, Cork City Council, UCC Students Union, CIT Student Union



Ask for Angela poster, feature in CITSU magazine



#ASKCONSENT

Throughout September and October 2019, local businesses and organisations demonstrated that Cork was a **CITY OF CONSENT** by hanging #ASKCONSENT bunting down the prominent Oliver Plunkett Street and on adjacent street bollards. Several high profile city centre based retailers, such as Brown Thomas, also included #ASKCONSENT lollipop sticks in their window displays. Staff in local stores and pubs wore #ASKCONSENT t-shirts.



The aim of the campaign was to keep the conversation around consent going and was part of the Safer City initiative which aims to make Cork city a safer place through co-operation across various sectors.



CONSENT TEA PARTY

The world first **CONSENT TEA PARTY** was held in UCC on the 9th September 2019 ahead of Fresher's Week, and was also rolled out during Sexual Health Awareness and Guidance (S.H.A.G. week) in CIT. This event was organised in collaboration with the various Students' Unions and the Cork City Council. Students drank tea and wore consent themed tattoos while discussing consent and healthy boundaries.



Hundreds of students in Cork were invited to Consent Tea Parties, which explain the concept of consent by comparing the invitation of sex to making someone a cup of tea.



Human trafficking is a phenomenon long associated with countries overseas, economic hardship and underground illicitness - but it is alive in Ireland and on the streets of Cork.



We used lollipop sticks and cut-outs of our logos to spread our message.



Kevin Hyland, OBE



CORK AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING formed in 2019 and since its foundation, membership has grown quickly, a clear response to the concerns which grow across Ireland for the nature of the second fastest growing industry in the world: Human Trafficking. Membership includes representatives from NASC, MECPATHS, Gardai, The Legal Aid Board, The HSE, UCC and Kevin Hyland O.B.E., The First Anti-Slavery Commissioner to The UK. We marked July 30th 2019, World Day against Trafficking in Persons, by demonstrating both online and in the Centre that Cork Says No to Human Trafficking.



CAHT was also involved in an event on the 17th October to mark EU Anti-Trafficking Day. It was held at Cork's historic Court House abolitionist Frederick Douglass delivered an oration on slavery in the 1840's. Cork City lit up a number of buildings in blue, the global colour of Anti Human Trafficking. On Friday 18th October, Mary Crilly addressed the DELL EMC's global conference on Human Trafficking, reaching out to 140,000 staff members around the globe.

CORK AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING



On Valentine's Day 2019, we held our **V-Day Flashmob**. This campaign, launched on February 14th 2012, began as a call to action in light of the staggering statistic that 1 in 3 women on the planet will be beaten or raped during her lifetime. With the world population at 7 billion, this adds to more than one billion women and girls. On this day, known as 'V-Day', people come together to drum, dance, and sing to the song 'Break the Chains' by Tena Clark and Tim Heintz. On Valentine's Day 2019, volunteers and supporters of the Centre performed in front of the Cork Opera House.



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V-DAY FLASHMOB **RISE! RESIST! UNITE!**

EDUCATION

The Centre has a proud history of engaging with students in an attempt to create awareness of consent, sexual violence and victim blaming. In 2019, we reported an increase in the number of second and third level students who availed of our educational and awareness raising activities. As in previous years, Transition Year students have the opportunity to get involved with the Young Social Innovators Initiative, the main goal of which is to encourage young people to get involved in actions which help improve the lives of others in their community. In 2019, the Centre supported a number of school projects, including the project from St Patricks College which was recognised at the Young Social Innovators Awards.



Transition Year students ahead of their 'Speak Out' demonstration, as part of the YSI Award

In 2019, the Centre's unwavering support for students was acknowledged when UCC presented Mary Crilly with the inaugural UCC Athena SWAN Equality Award for work done to promote gender equality.



PARTNERSHIPS/COMMITTEES

The Centre is a member of the following:

Cork City Public Participation Network

Cork City Council, Joint Policing Committee

CESCA Cork Equal and Sustainable Communities Alliance

University College Cork - Society Appeals Committee

National Women's Council of Ireland

The Wheel

Children's Rights Alliance

Anti-Human Trafficking Unit, Department of Justice and Equality

National Observatory on Violence Against Women

The National Clinical Review Group

European Women's Lobby, National Experts Group

WAVE Women Against Violence Europe

Cork Against Human Trafficking (CAHT)

Safer City Initiative

Sexual Health Network Cork

It Stops Now, Advisory Committee

Study on Familicide and Domestic Homicide Review

ONLINE

The Centre's **online presence** and activity continued to attract a large number of followers and supporters, with increased engagement and reach across the Centres main social media accounts. We also host several pages as part of various campaigns, such as @askforangelaincork @corkaht, and @30000Plus. There was an increase in engagement across all platforms, a trend which we anticipate will continue in the future.



@SVCCORK
@CorkAHT
@30000Plus

@SVCCORK

Likes: 9144

Avg. daily reach: 2736

@CorkAHT

Likes: 522

Avg. daily reach: 234

@30000Plus

Likes: 12,444

Avg. daily reach: 286



@sexualviolencecork
@corkaht
@askforangelaincork

@sexualviolencecork

Followers: 949

No of posts : 951

@corkaht

Followers: 381

No of posts: 162

@askforangelaincork

Followers: 880

No of posts: 81



@SVCCork
@fixeditl
@CorkAHT

@SVCCork

Followers: 3958

Avg. tweet impressions: 669

@fixeditl

Followers: 327

Avg. tweet impressions : 646

@CorkAHT

Followers : 630

Avg. tweet impressions: 722

836
new likes in 2019

300%
increase in followers

1884
new followers

@FIXEDITI

Inspired by the work of Jane Gilmore in Australia, we continued to 'fix' Irish and British newspaper headlines throughout 2019. This online campaign aims to change journalism, shifting away from the choice to shame and blame women for the violence perpetrated against them. Additionally, the online campaign calls out journalists for their use of child sexual abuse euphemisms. Victim blaming, passive voice and over-identification with abusers continue to be hallmarks of reporting on these issues.

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PASSIVE LANGUAGE

"Sexual assault didn't just 'happen' to me. It doesn't just 'happen' to anyone. Sexual assault is something somebody does to somebody else.

But the way we talk about sexual assault, even now, in the age of #MeToo, does not reflect that reality. When we say, 'I am a survivor', or, 'That happened to me too', or even, 'I was raped', the person responsible for perpetrating the assault conveniently disappears from the narrative."

We have noted that we use passive language when we speak of and report on sexual violence. We are attempting to rectify this by reframing our statistics, to ensure that the perpetrators of sexual violence are accounted for.

AIM 2: TO PROVIDE THE HIGHEST QUALITY SERVICE PROVISION

The Centre provides services to victims of sexual violence, their families and friends, in addition to supporting professionals and community/voluntary organisations to assist victims. Victims of sexual violence include victims of rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, child sexual abuse, domestic violence, sex trafficking, FGM and forced marriage.

We provide services to women and men and teenagers aged 14 and upwards. We serve the geographical area of Cork City and County. Services are delivered from our city centre location at 5 Camden Place Cork.

Up until 2010, the Centre operated outreach centres in Mallow and Bantry. These Centres were closed due to funding reductions; a decision that we hope can be reversed in time.

‘The Centre is committed to providing counselling and therapy of the highest ethical standards.’

The Centre is committed to providing counselling and therapy of the highest ethical and professional standards. Counsellors and psychotherapists employed by the Centre are professionally qualified and accredited and have many years of experience working within the area of trauma and sexual violence.

OUR SERVICES INCLUDE



Telephone helpline and textline

Counselling/psychotherapy and art therapy



Accompaniment of victims To Sexual Assault Treatment Units (SATU)

Advocacy and referral



Supporting victims in their contacts with the justice system

All services are free of charge.

3469
calls and texts
answered

1714
counselling
appointments

20
accompanied
to court

197
supported through
SATU process

TELEPHONE

In 2019, we received a total of 3469 calls and texts to our telephone helpline which is slightly less than the 3559 contacts reported in 2018. This is likely due to the fact that we received more communications from service users via social media this year. This may be reflective of the increase in young people accessing our services. 57% of helpline contacts were from clients, while family and friends were responsible for 9% of all contacts in 2019.

COUNSELLING

In 2019, the Centre provided services to 580 clients and family/friends affected by sexual violence. Of those clients, 358 presented for the first time in 2019. A total of 1714 appointments were offered in 2019, an increase on 2018 figures. This includes initial sessions, crisis support and counselling only. In 2019, there was an increase in the number of clients presenting to the Centre in crisis (24% of all new clients).

SEXUAL ASSAULT TREATMENT UNIT (SATU)

We supported 197 victims and supporters through the SATU process in 2019.

PROFESSIONALS AND PUBLIC

The Centre provided information and support to over 1,000 professionals and members of the public who had encountered victims of sexual violence. This support was given via helpline support, training and education, and advocacy efforts. Only 70 contacts were categorised as hoax/hang up calls.

COURT ACCOMPANIMENT

We accompanied a total of 20 individuals to court in 2019.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all those who supported and funding Sexual Violence Centre Cork counselling services in 2019, including Tusla.

IN DEPTH SNAPSHOT

YOUNG PEOPLE USING THE SERVICE

We offered more appointments to minors in 2019 than in previous years.

Over 37% of all new clients reported that they were students.

Three quarters of all new clients were 23 years or younger at the time of sexual assault.

Over 60% of new clients in 2019 were less than 29 years of age.

One third of new clients had suffered child sexual abuse, and the majority of these clients were known by the perpetrator.

CLIENTS WITH A MINORITY STATUS

There was an increase in the number of new clients who identified as being a member of a minority group.

5% of new clients identified as an asylum seeker.

There was an increase in presenting clients who identified as being a member of the LGBTQIA+ community. This was up from 3.2% in 2018 to 13% in 2019.

PROFESSIONALS

We answered over 1,000 calls from professionals who encountered victims of sexual violence in the course of their work.

REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE

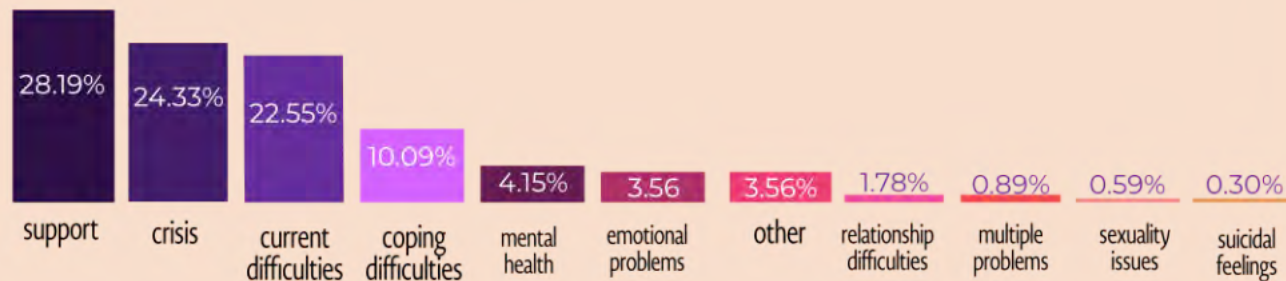
Only 1/3 of new clients reported the sexual violence to An Garda Síochána.

Over 90% of new clients had disclosed to family, friends or their GP.

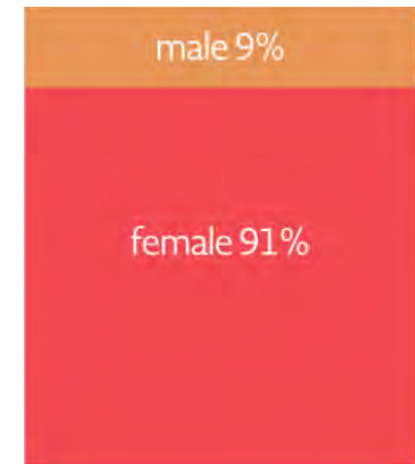


CLIENTS

Primary reasons for seeking support



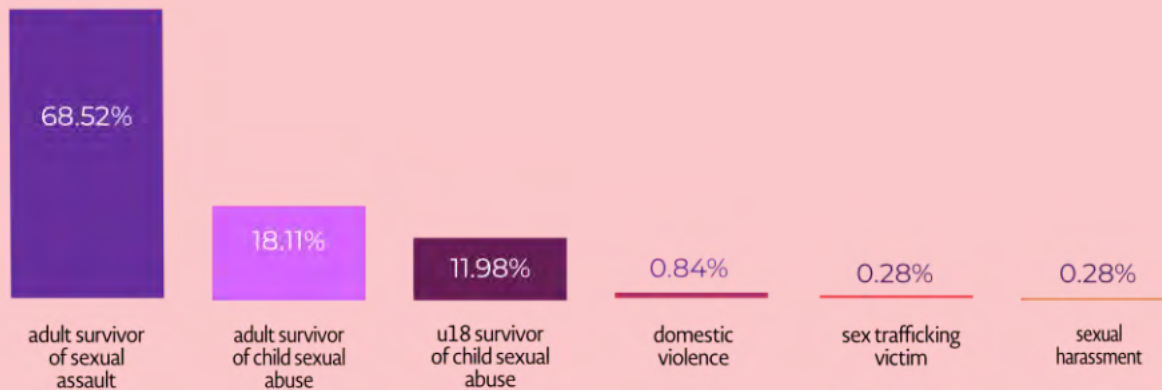
Gender Breakdown



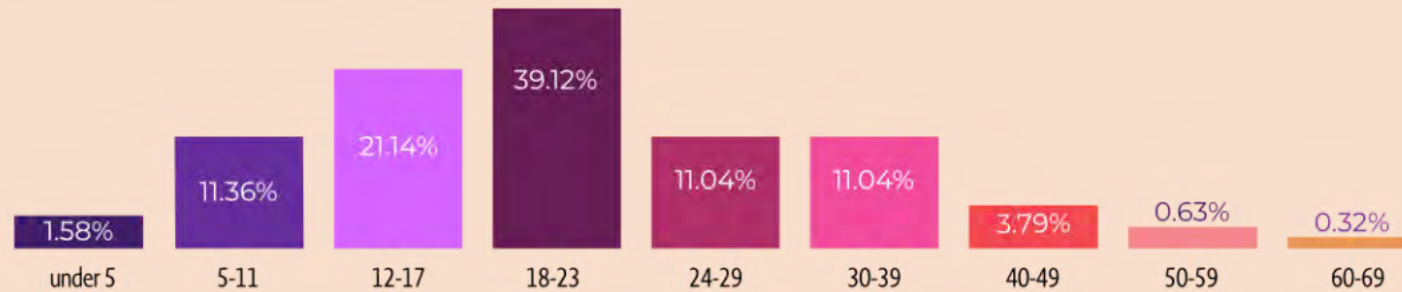
Incidences of sexual violence reported by new clients in 2019



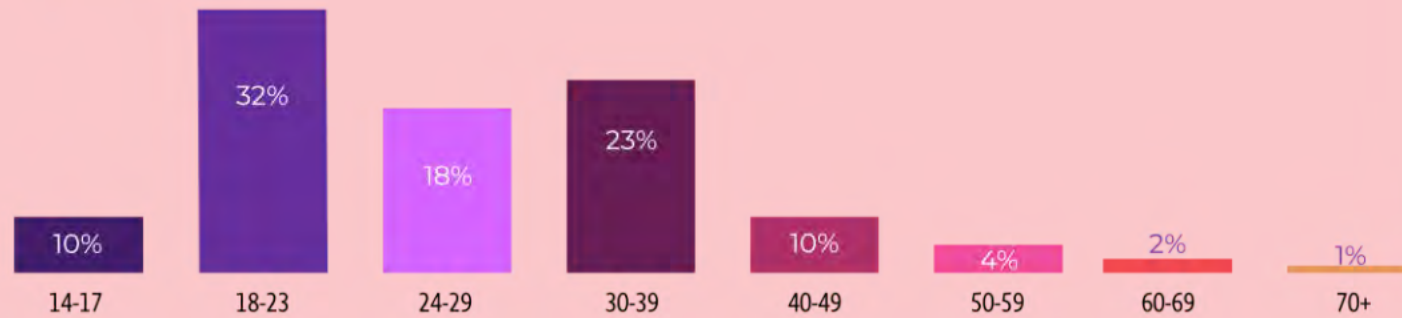
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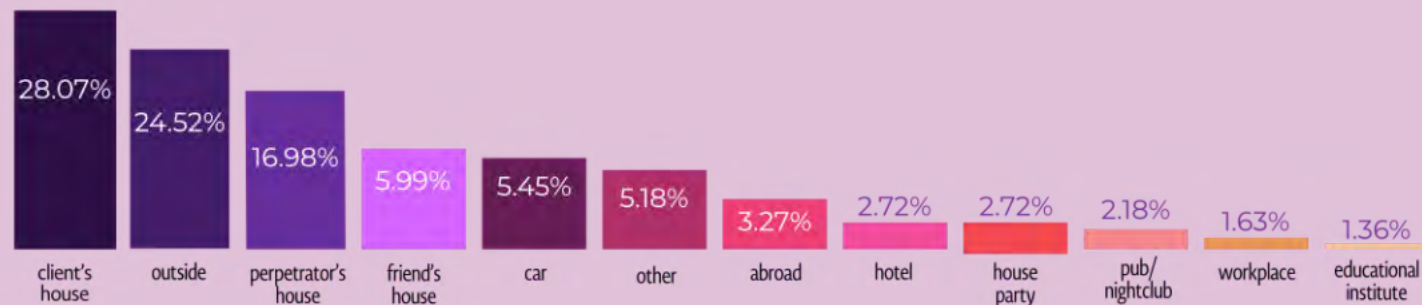
Age at time of assault



Age of client now



Location of sexual violence



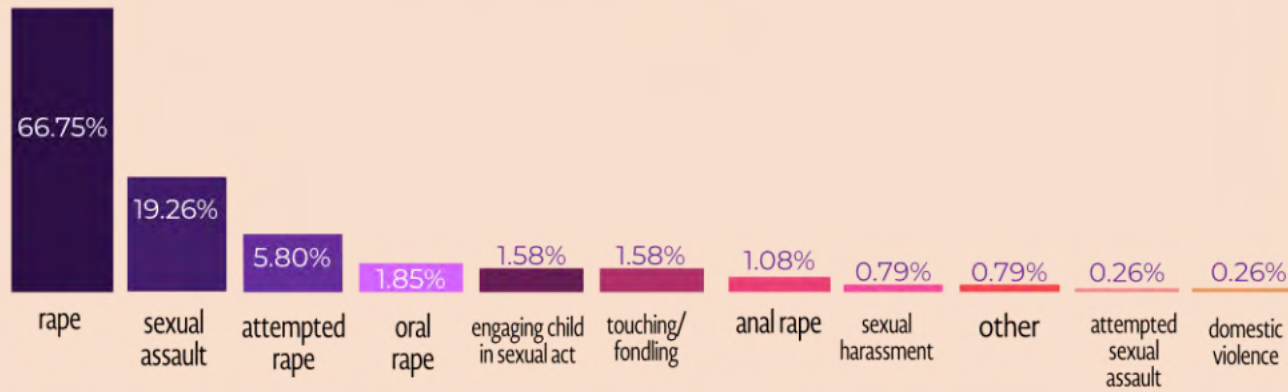
Minority Status



Client Groups

- Student: 63%
- Sexual Orientation: 13%
- Illness/disability: 12%
- Asylum seeker: 5%
- Ethnicity: 2%

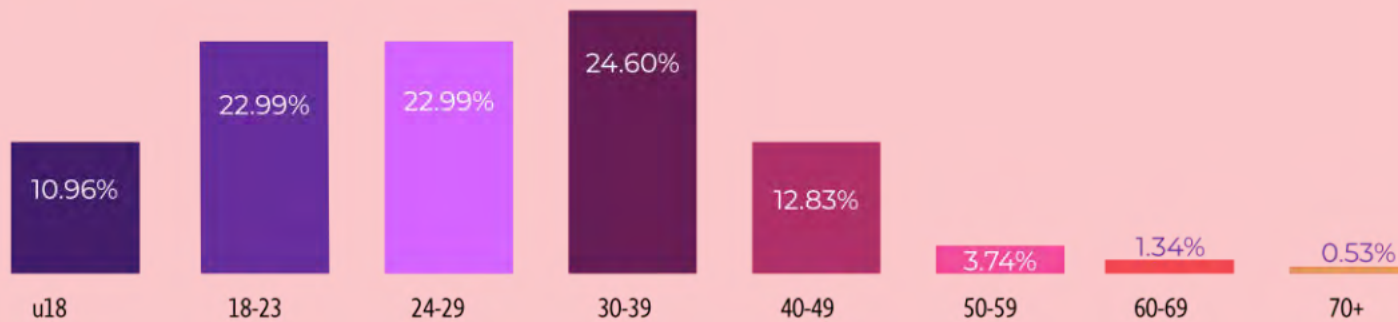
Type of sexual violence reported by new clients



The Centre's iconic purple door

PERPETRATOR

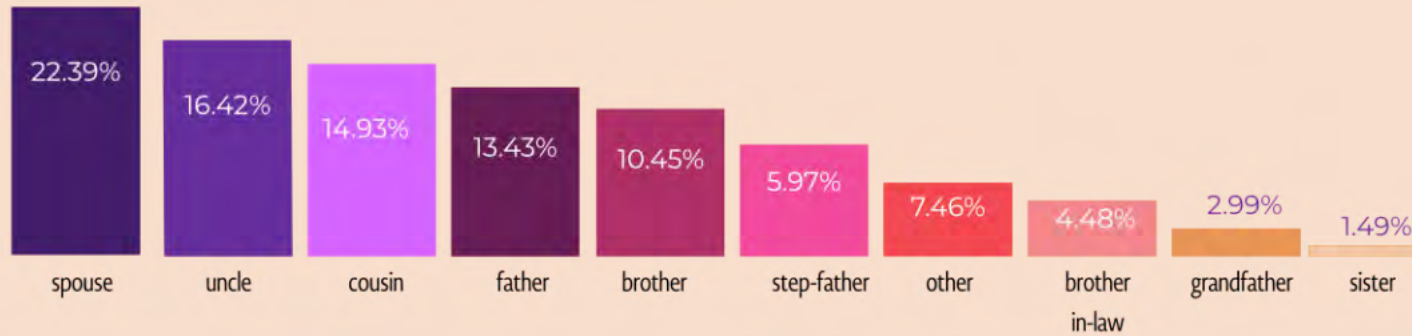
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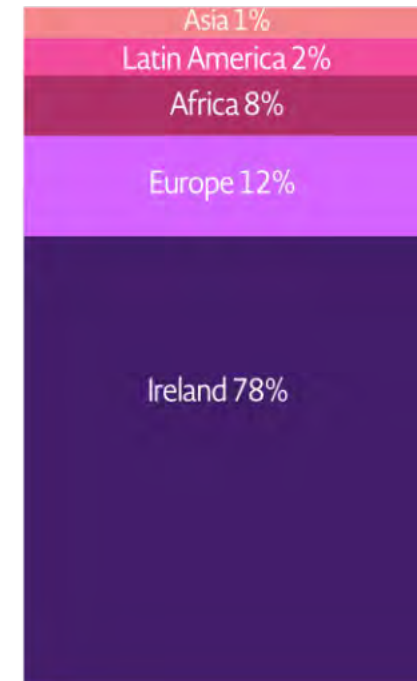
Perpetrator known to client



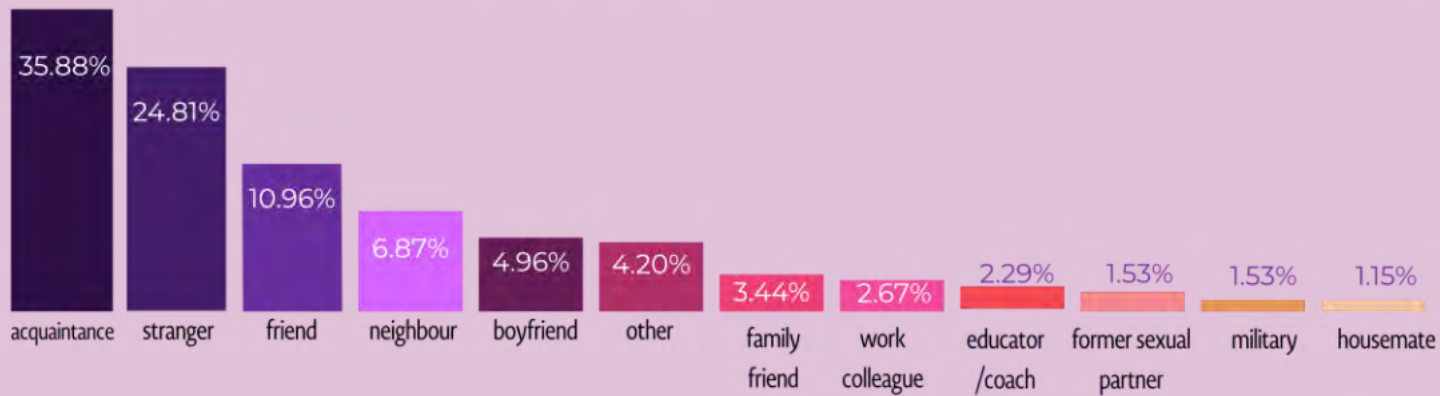
Interfamilial perpetrator relationship to client



Perpetrator nationality



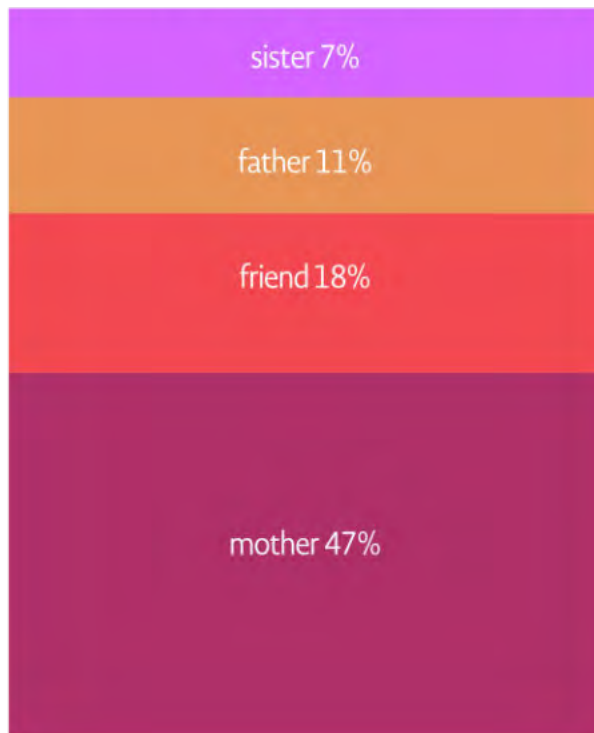
Extra-familial perpetrator relationship to client



FAMILY AND FRIENDS

In 2019, the Centre provided services to 200 friends and family of victims of sexual violence. This is a slight increase on 2018 (n=191). The number of family or friends of victims seeking advice on victim/survivor support increased this year, and there was also an increase in the number family or friends contacting the service to make an appointment on behalf of the victim/survivor.

Relationship with client



Services sought by family/friends

- Accompaniment: 42%
- Advice on providing support: 40%
- Appointment for victim : 10%
- Information on SVCC services: 2%
- Appointment for self: 2%
- Legal advice: 2%



CLIENT FEEDBACK

Sexual Violence Centre Cork believes that our clients have a right to a service that respects their individuality and creativity. The client's voice is very important to us, and shapes the services that we provide. This is what our clients had to say about the Centre in 2019.

'I've gotten closure after 21 years...'

'A journey that is tough but absolutely worth it'

'They listened from day one and always made me feel like I mattered'

'The work you do is incredible and it has changed my life absolutely'

'I was very quickly shown that what happened to me and what I feel is valid'

'I feel like a human being again which I never thought was possible before'



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

We have audited the financial statements of Cork Rape Crisis Centre CLG for the year ended 31/12/19 which comprise the profit and loss account, statement of income and retained earnings, balance sheet, statement of cash flows and related notes. The relevant financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" issued by the Financial Reporting Council and promulgated by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor As explained more fully in the directors responsibilities statement set out on page 4, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with Irish law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the directors report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at 31/12/19 and of its profit for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the relevant reporting framework and, in particular the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

Matters on which we are required to report by the Companies Act 2014

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited.
- The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.
- In our opinion the information given in the directors report is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception We have nothing to report in respect of our obligation under the Companies Act 2014 to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors remuneration and transactions specified by sections 305 to 312 of the Act are not made.

Gary Buchan
For and on behalf of Gordon, Lane &
Co. Statutory Auditors & Certified
Public Accountants Hanover House
85-89 South Main Street Cork
05/05/2020

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

Profit and loss account: Financial year ended 31/12/19

| | Note | 2019 € | 2018 € |
|---|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Income | 5 | 381,412 | 357,110 |
| Gross income | | 381,412 | 357,110 |
| Administrative expenses | | (359,694) | (332,067) |
| Operating surplus/deficit | 6 | 21,718 | 25,043 |
| Surplus deficit | | 21,718 | 25,043 |
| Tax on surplus | | - | - |
| Surplus/deficit for the financial year | | 21,718 | 25,043 |

All the activities of the company are from continuing operations.

The company has no other recognised items of income and expenses other than the results for the financial year as set out above.

Balance Sheet as at 31/12/19

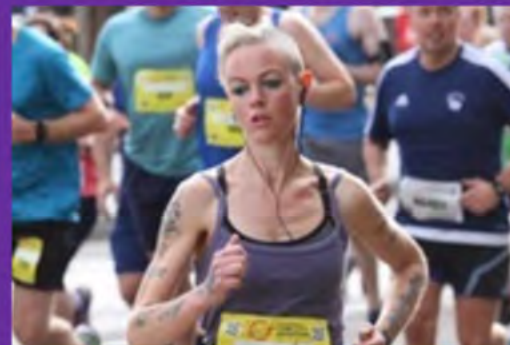
| | | 2019 | | 2018 | |
|---|-------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Note | € | € | € | € |
| Fixed assets | | | | | |
| Tangible assets | 9 | <u>165,284</u> | 165,284 | <u>167,700</u> | 167,700 |
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | <u>106,683</u> | | <u>84,877</u> | |
| | | 106,683 | | 84,877 | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 10 | <u>(37,527)</u> | | <u>(39,855)</u> | |
| Net current assets | | | 69,156 | | 45,022 |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | | <u>234,440</u> | | <u>212,722</u> |
| Net assets | | | <u>234,440</u> | | <u>212,722</u> |
| Capital and reserves | | | | | |
| Revaluation reserve | 13 | | 149,936 | | 149,936 |
| Reserves | 13 | | 84,504 | | 62,786 |
| Members funds | | | <u>234,440</u> | | <u>212,722</u> |

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 05/05/20 and signed on behalf of the board Noirin Fleming, Director

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