



Orange County  
Rape Crisis Center  
Support. Education. Advocacy.



# BOARD PROSPECTUS

2021 - 2023

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# FROM THE DIRECTOR

Rachel Valentine, Executive Director



Thank you for your interest in the OCRCC! I couldn't be more proud of the work we do, and want to take a moment to describe what your support means.

Year after year, the OCRCC delivers on 1 key promise- to be there for survivors as they navigate the moments, choices, opportunities and challenges that emerge after breaking the silence surrounding sexual violence. Whether it's clinical support, showing up at a legal proceedings, or sitting in a quiet room to help calm the fears, we are there for survivors every step of the way. Sometimes we encounter a survivor in the hours after an assault- sometimes 15 years later. In either case, our goal is the same: to provide help, hope and healing, whatever that looks like for them.

But our mission doesn't end here. We seek to end sexual violence before it creates harm, which is why we invest so heavily in prevention and education. We believe that when we plant the seeds of empathy, autonomy, consent and accountability early, we create a thriving community that is safer for everyone.

While our Board may not participate in these direct services, it is invaluable to the success of our mission. The social good enterprise is based on a radical notion- that the keepers of visions like ours must be accountable to our communities. The Board of Directors is what makes this possible. It is volunteers-like you- who stand up and say "I will serve my community in this way" who ensure we are stewarding our community's resources in the most responsible and impactful way possible.

Once you serve our mission, you'll become a lifelong advocate.  
Let's get started!

The Orange County Rape Crisis Center is committed to fostering the leadership of people of color, Native people, immigrants and refugees, low-income people, LGBTQ+ and trans\* people, people with disabilities, survivors of sexual and/or domestic violence, and people living in the many intersections of these experiences. We strongly encourage people from these communities to apply and will not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, socioeconomic class, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, sex, religion, disability status, citizenship status, age, veteran status, or national origin.



# OUR MISSION



## OUR MISSION

To stop sexual violence and its impact through support, education, and advocacy.

## OUR VISION

A world free of sexual violence and all other forms of oppression.

# ABOUT THE CENTER

## history

For more than 45 years, the Orange County Rape Crisis Center has provided support to survivors of sexual violence, their loved ones, and professionals in Orange County.

We provide information and support to other service providers in Orange County who may interact with survivors, such as teachers, healthcare providers, law enforcement, and more. We help these agencies provide trauma-informed services so that the individuals they serve receive holistic, client-centered care.

## awards + accolades

2021 | Indy Week award- Best Non-Profit in Orange/Chatham County

2019 | Indy Week award- Best Non-Profit in Orange/Chatham County

2016 | Purple Ribbon of Excellence Award from the N. C. Domestic Violence Commission 2013 | Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce Nonprofit of the Year

# OUR PROGRAMS

## 24-hour helplines

Expert staff and trained volunteers provide emotional support, resources, and referrals to help guide survivors through their healing process. Our three helpline options (phone, text, and online chat) are available every day, 24 hours a day.

## therapy + support groups

Our clinical therapy and wellness program provides free clinical therapy and support groups in English and Spanish to survivors who otherwise wouldn't be able to access services.

## community education

Our educational programs are offered in both school districts in Orange County with age-appropriate materials for awareness and prevention strategies. We also offer several adult, custom, parent, and professional trainings.

## advocacy

We offer short-term advocacy and accompaniment to appointments or resources to support you in the early stages of your healing process, as well as case management for medium-term support with goals related to housing, safety, and stability.

**Todos los servicios se ofrecen en español**

# OUR EXPERIENCE

I feel called to serve on the board because I believe it's essential that the center's leadership reflect the diversity of the community it serves. As a teacher who sees the crucial work the center does in in the community's schools, I feel called to serve as a bridge between the two and work to enhance that relationship and foster even greater service to some of the most vulnerable members of our community.

*Kim Jones*

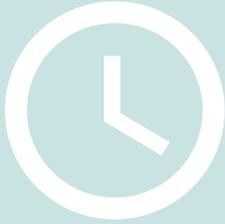


The Center played a major role in my own healing journey, supporting me as a survivor, student intern, and professional. Serving on the Board of Directors is my opportunity to give back to both the Center and my community. I aim to use my experiences and growth to ensure the Center is able to effectively provide support, education and advocacy until we end sexual violence and its impact.

*Julia Da Silva*

# OUR COMMITMENT

*time*



- Attend bi-monthly board and monthly committee meetings
- Build relationships with community to share the mission of the Center
- Provide philanthropic and professional support to the Center's Holiday Fundraiser/Gala

*talent*



- Provide prudent financial governance
- Guide the strategic vision of the Center
- Serve on a committee per your interests and experience, meeting monthly

*treasure*



- Make a significant personal gift to the Center
- Secure an additional \$1000 per year
- Attend and invite guests to three events

# GIVE WITH US



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