



**TEXAS ADVOCACY PROJECT**  
All Texans live safely in hope, not fear.

## 2017 Year in Review

**MISSION:** Texas Advocacy Project's mission is to prevent domestic and dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking throughout Texas through free legal services, access to the justice system, and education. Our attorneys, staff, volunteers, and Board of Directors are committed to advancing our vision that all Texans live safely in hope, not fear.

### WHO WE HELP



Provided free legal services to 5,096 primary survivors in power-based abuse cases



Supported clients from ages 8 to 82 years old



Served 12,707 clients and children across the state



Our attorneys reached 66% of all counties in Texas

### WHY WE HELP

**Domestic violence statistics are staggering**

74%\* of all Texans will experience domestic violence or will know someone who has

1 in 10\* children have seen one parent assault another

1 in 4\* women will experience sexual violence

U.S. economy loses \$8.3 billion annually due to domestic violence\*

### HOW WE HELP

13 staff attorneys provided civil legal services relating to protective orders, divorce, child support, and child custody

Got 1,343 people to a place of safety through emergency protective orders

Provided 15 training sessions in Texas universities to prevent campus sexual assault

Trained 2,517 judges, prosecutors, law enforcement officers, educators, students, military members, health care providers and other advocates

Distributed 3,970 Handbags for Hope and 751 Backpacks for Hope to domestic violence shelters.



Provided training on healthy relationships, teen dating violence, positive social media presence, and leadership skills to 22 teenagers.



### GET INVOLVED

Visit [TexasAdvocacyProject.org/communitysupport](https://TexasAdvocacyProject.org/communitysupport) for financial donations, sponsorships, volunteering, handbag/backpack donations, and events. Last year, 446 supporters came together to raise \$509,000 at our signature fundraising gala, The Black & White Ball.

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