



Mission and Vision

The Garden of Hope Foundation upholds Christian values in its pursuit of justice and love. We are devoted to preventing and eliminating gender-based violence and co-creating a gender-friendly society through a diverse array of services and initiatives. Our hope is for everyone to enjoy the nobility and glory of life in a society free of gender-based discrimination and violence.



Our Resilience Empowers Us As We Face Global Challenges and Shifting Dynamics

In recent years, the pandemic has posed a global challenge to organization resilience, underscoring the importance of an organization's ability to prepare for and adapt to continuous environmental changes and abrupt operational disruptions. These few years have been relatively difficult for the Garden of Hope Foundation(GOH), with a 20-30% decrease in personal donations, doubled demand for emergency aid, increased volume of services provided, increased complexity of problems faced by clients, and shortage of professional social



workers. Fortunately, the over three decades of development have allowed GOH to grow into a resilient organization, and through the added support of our donors, enterprises, and partners, we were able to brave the pandemic. We will remain loyal to our mission, continuously striving to create a society free from gender-based violence.

Continuously innovate and strengthen service to meet service demand.

Through over two decades of development, since the passage of the Domestic Violence Prevention Act in 1997. GOH has established the most comprehensive domestic violence map in Taiwan, and we continue to innovate and strengthen our services, such as Women's Employment Program 2.0. Given that personal finance, work and life are inseparable, we developed services for women to strengthen their financial management capability, including earning a self-sufficient income, accumulating assets, developing financial knowledge, interpreting financial data, and connecting with financial management professionals from banks. On top of offering financial courses, we provide financial consulting services to help foster long-term financial behavior change and help women improve their financial health and achieve their desired lifestyles.

During the past two years, in an effort to establish preventative measures, GOH established co-parenting counseling to support family members going through divorce and to protect children under intense stress from developing childhood trauma. We have also expanded our services to cover the empowerment of children in the community, accompanying children undergoing treatment for trauma, self-exploration, life and career empowerment, and gender empowerment. We hold exhibitions for disadvantaged youth to showcase their abilities so that they have an opportunity to transform their abilities into power. We hope that by helping disadvantaged youth accumulate their inner strength and discover external resources, we can facilitate their smooth transition into adulthood.

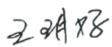


At the end of 2019, GOH set up "Aher," the gender and sexuality education center in its Changhua and Hualien offices. We hope that by broadening children's perspectives on gender and providing experiential and practical gender education to youth can we foster healthy perspectives on gender and establish a society free from gender-based violence. In the future, we expect to establish a comprehensive social emotional learning and gender education program, which will include lesson plans on topics such as gender empowerment and relationships with significant others. Through education, we will promote to build a stronger foundation in community violence prevention.

For 35 years, GOH has been recognized for its achievements in preventing gender-based violence. However, we continue to reflect on how we can rescue more victims down the line and tackle the problem at its source. We constantly consider the following scenario: rather than saving victims of abuse once they have reached the bottom of the river, how can we identify the source of the

Further, what can we do to stop the cause of the problem after identifying it? We cannot rely solely on professionals and organizations. Tracing back to the previous scenario with the river, we must focus our attention on conserving the soil and water of our mountains, which is only possible with the support of all people. We all have a sufficient awareness of human rights and gender equality—we all share a desire to prevent the violation of human rights and a respect for individual autonomy. Thus, I am confident that we are not far away from achieving our vision: the right of every person to thrive in a world free of gender-based discrimination and violence.

CEO of The Garden of Hope Foundation Yueh-Hao Wang





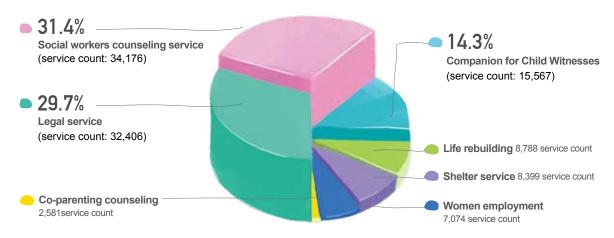
Domestic Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Services



In 2022, owing to our support, 18,048 women decreased their risk of encountering violence or found themselves fleeing violent domestic environments.

In the same year, GOH provided professional social services to 108,991 individuals, including support for women and children recovering from trauma, legal representation, support with maintaining housing and personal finance, repairing family and interpersonal relationships. All in all, we seek to help families back on their feet and ensure their smooth re-integration into their communities through every step of the way.





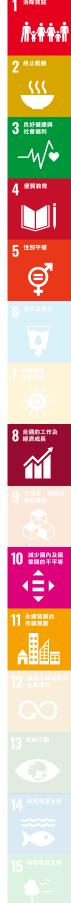
Three strategies for abused women to get independent: housing, employment and childcare

Housing Services

25.087 individuals/per day

According to statistics released by the Ministry of Health and Welfare in 2016, there were in estimate 12,433 victims of gender-based violence across Taiwan who didn't own a house and need social housing. Yet by the end of 2022, only 44 social housing apartments were rented out to victims of gender-based violence—which accounts for only 0.3% of all social housing units.

Three years ago, GOH established the Linkou Service Center in Linkou Universiade Social Housing, where we provided community shelter services for families that left short-term emergency shelters. Our work in Linkou primarily involves connecting victims to family support services such as psychological counseling, community-based family activities, career consulting, and other child support services.



Building financial independence to create a violence-free family life.

Economic Empowerment

Women's Employment Services:

7,074 individuals/per day

In recent years, GOH incorporated "Developmental Social Work" and "Financial Social Work" into its existing services. These new services not only serve to develop women's confidence and readiness for re-employment but also further women's financial knowledge and strengthen their ability to confront financial risks. In 2022, GOH developed a "Short-term asset accumulation plan" that connects women to corporate resources that assist with matching savings program, promoting asset accumulation, improving their financial situation, and creating the lifestyle they want.



In 2022, 73% of our clients were employed and 3% started their own business. Meanwhile, the proportion of unemployed women dropped from 60% to 19%. Having achieved stability in their financial, living, and housing situation, 81% of women who sought out our services reported that they were no longer experiencing violence, and 14% of them had decrease of violence in frequency.

Ending violence, not relationships

Life Rebuilding and Relationship Repair Services:

8,788 individuals/per day

According to statistics from the Ministry of Health and Welfare's Department of Protective Services, there were 50,755 cases of intimate partner violence in 2022, and 79.6% of these individuals indicated that they were still married and living with their partner; meanwhile, of those who were divorced, 37.63% still lived in the same household with their partners. This potentially corroborates GOH's field findings— that about 50% of women victims chose to return to family.

We also find that "situational violence" is trending up among cases of intimate partner violence. Situational violence occurs when partners engage in an act of violence or mutual abuse due to rising tensions caused by situational factors such as stress about childcare, relationships with family members, or work; also, typically, but not always, the act of violence isn't a result of an unequal power dynamic. GOH acknowledges the importance of relationship repair and family mediation, as some abused women wish to end violence but not their relationship*. Therefore, we support women with this desire through family mediation and the facilitation of non-violent communication and interactions to promote a violence-free family life.

* This finding comes from observations made by GOH during its field work





Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault Services

According to statistics released by the Ministry of Health and Welfare on sexual assault, cases of sexual assault have risen from 7,188 cases in 2005 to 18,847 cases in 2021. Part of this indicates that Taiwanese people have developed an increased sensitivity to sexual assault, and that social and environmental changes have made more victims comfortable with seeking help.

GOH has been devoted to sexual violence response and prevention for years and understands that the impact of gender-based violence isn't exclusively physical. Most times, gender-based violence impairs the victim and their significant others' mental health, life, and intimate and interpersonal relationships in the long term.

82% of our clients or their significant others have come to understand the judicial process and their rights and show reduced negative emotional reactions when recounting the incidents, taking concrete actions to seek justice.

86% of our clients and their significant others said that upon undergoing therapy for their trauma, they were better equipped to evaluate their own mental health and psychological status. Additionally, they were more willing to discuss their struggles and devise a plan for recovery with social workers, which mitigates the overall impact of trauma.

Digital Gender-based Violence during The Generation of Digital Natives

With the advent of virtual reality and Deepfake in the digital age, GOH sees the potential risks of the ubiquity of social media and communication apps, as well as their role in facilitating the ill-intentioned spread of sexual videos or content, which could exacerbate and widen the damages dealt to victims. 178 victims who sought out GOH's sexual assault services in 2022 reported suffering from digital gender-based violence; of these cases, the dissemination of sexual videos and personal information, private video blackmails, and digital harassment were the most common forms of abuse.

Services for Victims of Digital Gender-based Violence

GOH observed the gaps in digital literacy and crisis awareness among different regions, which hindered services or resources from reaching victims. Due to this concern, GOH started providing "Digital Gender-based Violence Victim Services" in 2022—a victim-centered service that includes accompanying victims as they report their abuse to the police, providing them with legal advice, removing sexual images from the platforms, helping women heal their mental wounds, assisting with rehabilitation, and discussing safety plans. We hope that these improved strategies will allow us to rescue more victims.

Meanwhile, the forms of digital gender-based violence have become increasingly interconnected, which means that victims are more likely to suffer more forms of assault or violence at once, raising the complexity of cases. GOH has also observed a lack of regulation against online violence. Thus, GOH has actively partnered with other organizations to advocate for legislative changes; through our joint efforts, in 2022, the







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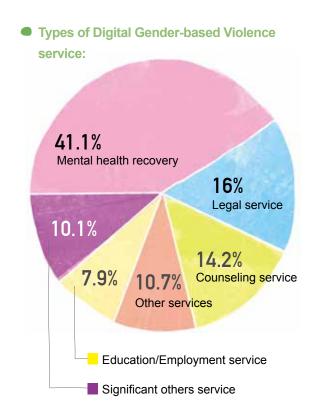


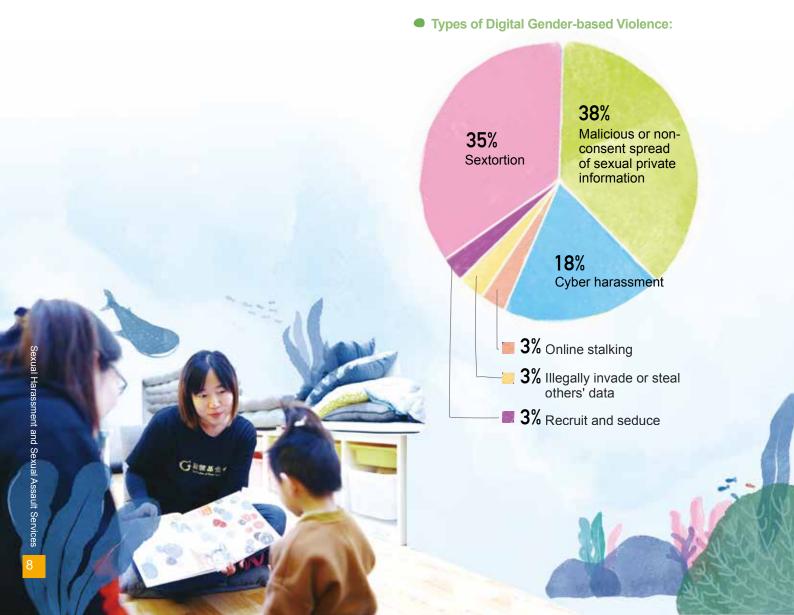






government proposed amendments to four existing bills, including the Criminal Code, Crime Victim Rights Protection Act, Child and Youth Sexual Exploitation Prevention Act, and Sexual Assault Crime Prevention Act. One year later, in January 2023, these proposed amendments made it through the Legislative Yuan. Still, further improvements can be made to existing legislation. For instance, as long as acts that constitute "sextortion" are not clearly defined by existing legislation, efforts to protect the rights of victims of such crimes cannot reach full effectiveness. Current laws also fail to provide a clear timeline on the taking down of non-consensually uploaded sexual content. The inclusion of additional measures to address these shortcomings will continue to be the focus of GOH's digital gender-based violence prevention efforts.









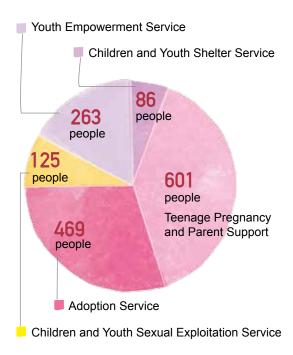
GOH has been providing services to children and youth for years, including children and youth shelters, teenage pregnancy and teen parents support, adoption services, support for child victims of sexual exploitation, and youth empowerment programs. Additionally, GOH continues to keep services up to date and actively works with the government, schools, and the general public to foster a safe and comfortable environment for children and youth.

The Proportion of Mental and Physical Disabilities Increases, The Digital Wave Arrives, and Emerging Problems Appear

Through its work, GOH observes that there is an increased proportion of mentally or physically disabled children who require customized care resources. This proportion reached 2.23% in 2021 (Social and Family Affairs Administration Ministry of Health and Welfare, 2022). Meanwhile, the proportion of children with disabilitics in alternative care reached over 10%.

Additionally, as we step into the digital age, more and more children and youth enjoy the convenience of technological innovations and on-demand information. Consequently, they are also exposed to risks such as digital sexual violence and sexual exploitation. In 2021, those who have fallen to such kinds of violence and exploitation reached 1,593 people, which has forced us to pay attention to new types of technology-facilitated sexual exploitation and sexual oppression (Ministry of Health and Welfare, 2022).

GOH Children and Youth Service Provided: 1.544 people







Local, Diverse, and Empathetic: Brand New Services to Accompany Children Heading to Their Futures

Children and youth are facing unprecedented challenges in this new era. Hence, GOH is working to localize and diversify its child and youth services in order to improve upon already existing services and to achieve greater progress towards implementing the CRC (Convention on the Rights of the Child). In particular, GOH hopes to experiment with localizing and diversifying its child and youth services. This means creating diverse and unique activities and spaces that will not only bring children a sense of belonging but will also help children develop their own self-identity through career exploration, interpersonal relationship exploration, and self-exploration. Our hope is also for children to develop the confidence to live bravely and feel confident in their futures.

GOH will continue to participate in and push for legislative changes, monitor the rights of children placed in foster homes or shelter, and offer related support for adopted children with special needs throughout 2023. To tackle issues related to teenage pregnancy, we established the "YOUNG Parents Counseling Service Platform" in the hopes of extending our services to more young parents in need. We will also continue to investigate the risk of sexual exploitation of young people on the internet face and invest in prevention education. We hope that through our continued efforts, we can enable more children and youth to grow up in a safe, respectful, and caring environment—one where they can healthily and confidently step into adulthood.





Intersectional Discrimination and Gender-Based Violence Prevention Services

The Intersectional Discrimination and Gender Violence Prevention Center serves victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and members from the LGBTQIA+ community who experience gender-based violence. Throughout 2022, we served a total of 49 people, and our total service count added up to 2,259. Our data shows that the services GOH provided allowed 40% of clients to achieve heightened self awareness, 20%

to improve their parent-child relationship or partnership, and 10% to demonstrate an improved ability to handle conflicts in their relationships. On average, each closed case has achieved 2 to 3 key performance indicators (KPIs). Additionally, as the support services we provide are typically long-term, with us working closely and accompanying the client, the services we provide per case amounted to an average of 743 days.

Service Content of the year 2022

35%

Psychological assistance 787 Person-times

12%

Relationship assistance 264 Person-times

6%

Gender identity 148 Person-times

8%

Legal assistance 178 Person-times

4%

Medical assistance 97 Person-times

7%

Financial aid 161 Person-times

8%

Residential assistance 177 Person-times

2%

School assistance 52 Person-times

10%

Employment assistance 261 Person-times

7%

Life safety 153 Person-times

Service Outcome of the year 2022 (Multiple-answer questions)

20%

Improved self-awareness

40%

Increased sense of self-worth

40%

Affirming self gender identity 40%

40%

Improvement of the environment of the victims of violence

20%

Improved parent-child/partner relationship

40%

Improvement of Resource Utilization Capability

20%

Improved ability to cope with conflict





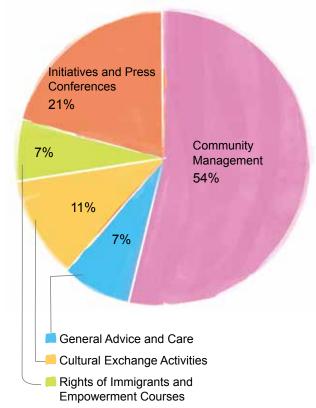
In recent years, Taiwan has faced issues such as a rising need for caretakers and a shortage of labor due to an aging population. This, in turn, has led to an increased demand for migrant workers. Hence, GOH is committed to promoting services for migrants. We also pay careful attention to the rights and interests of women foreign workers. We also assist migrants with securing stability in employment and life while they are in Taiwan, and we actively aim to create a friendlier and more equal environment for migrants. To this end, we launched our "Migrant Workers' Birth Consultation and Placement" Service in 2022. We strived to protect the rights of migrant workers—including pregnant migrant workers— to work and remain in Taiwan through consultation and advocacy. We also aim to promote a better understanding of women foreign workers in Taiwanese society.

Placement and Consultation Go Hand in Hand: a More Comprehensive Direct Service

Our services for migrants include consultation hotlines that cater to the needs of Mandarin, English, Indonesian, Vietnamese, and Tagalog speakers, thus alleviating the issues posed by potential language barriers. These hotlines mainly serve as an online for migrants to discuss their rights, as well as how migrant workers can navigate regulations facing them in the area of maternity. All in all, the service aims to reduce information gaps and to assist with the resolution of any disputes. In the year 2022, we provided our placement service to 43 people, with a total service count of 1,735.

Direct Service Breakdown **Emotional** support 11% Other 13% Residency 9% Legal assistance 16% Childbirth 8% Childcare 7% **Employment** 16% 6% Return service Labor dispute Resource link

Outreach/Initiative/Community service ratio







The GOH has accumulated many years of experience in providing women services and we hope for the continued recognition of our experiences and work internationally. This year, GOH had the honor of being recommended by UN Women Asia and the Pacific to serve as a founding core member of the first anti-gender-based violence alliance in Asia: the "Asia Regional Network of GBV Prevention and Response."



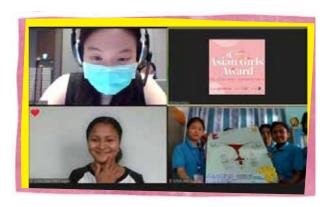
ramp up our efforts to create more international initiatives towards achieving this goal. In addition to joining the new alliance, GOH continues to serve as the secretariat for GNWS, the Global Network of Women's Shelters, and ANWS—the Asian Network of Women's Shelters. Specifically, GOH mobilizes its services and resources to assist countries around the world with identifying issues their women face and facilitating cooperation among women's organizations worldwide. In doing so, we hope to help women receive the help they need during hard and desperate times. In 2022, the "Lila.Help Project" (Helplines Service) of the Global Network of Women's Shelters, through proposals and suggestions from GOH, obtained a sponsorship worth 75,000 euros from the Accor Group (Accor Hotels). We anticipate that the sponsorship will not only provide great support to the Lila. Help Project but will also assist the Accor Group with achieving its own global strategy goal of ending gender-based violence.

During our participation in the NGO CSW66 Forum, we held three virtual parallel events to discuss the impact of the pandemic on women's poverty in Asia. We also partnered with other organizations to advocate and demonstrate to different governments how we can use appropriate economic measures or empowerment programs to alleviate the economic plights of Asian women. Meanwhile, we explored girl-centered social enterprise trends in Asia and the role of such enterprises in teaching girls to use entrepreneurship to solve local social problems. That way, we hope to engage in more dialogues with representatives of the UN and multinational companies and to maximize the impact of such collaborations on girls. In addition to active international engagement and advocacy, GOH also served as a local NGO preparation partner for the "11th World Movement for Democracy" hosted by the National Endowment for Democracy in October. During the event, we showed 200 participants from around the world how Taiwan's local women's groups use the power of democracy to advocate for women's rights. Also, in November 2022, the Human Rights Foundation held the Oslo Freedom Forum, in which we were invited as a partner organization. At the event, we met Gambian anti-gender-based violence activist and survivor Fatou Toufah Jallow and shared our own experience with building shelters.





In 2022, GOH's Asian Girls Campaign (AGC, Asian Girls Campaign) entered its tenth year. To mark the occasion, GOH planned its 10th anniversary online special exhibition and series of activities. During the events, we looked back on the years we spent with our Asian Girls Campaign partners and girls that we cultivated. Over 30,000 visitors attended the online event. In addition to being a celebration, the campaign was an opportunity for our partner organizations in Asia and girls to discuss important issues girls are facing today. In total, more than 100 girls joined the 10th anniversary event to raise awareness of the current status of girls' rights. We also connected with young female key opinion leaders (KOLs) in Asia to advocate for girls' human rights through social media.





AGC 10th anniversary online special exhibition (https://girlsdecide2022.goh.org.tw/)



In 2022, GOH and the Asian Network of Women's Shelter(ANWS) joined together to organize a series of online international conferences and training courses. At the Annual Conference of Women's Shelters, we discussed the issue of violence occurring between women and their partners, and the reparation of parents' relationship with their children. We also provided an up-to-date, international perspective on women frontline service workers in Asia so that our international partner organizations have a case to refer to as they develop and optimize their own women's service content.







Advocacy and Public Education

Throughout GOH's years of practice and advocacy, we have seen firsthand the role of gender stereotypes, bias, and discrimination in perpetuating gender-based violence. In recent years, incidents of technology-facilitated gender-based violence have started to skyrocket, from the Nth Room case in South Korea to the Xiaoyu Deepfake face swap incident in Taiwan. It has become apparent, more than ever, that digital technology has become a tool to accelerate gender-based violence and crimes, which could present serious and devastating consequences. Hence, in addition to the continued provision of our services, we have also ramped up efforts to promote and attract publicity to our "Digital Gender Violence Prevention" to prevent the crimes in advance.

Policy Initiatives with a Practical Perspective

In 2022, GOH actively expressed its views and appeals through press conferences, advocacy work, public hearings, and law revision meetings. In one particular instance, we lobbied authorities and legislators to revise the content of Taiwan's existing bill on Digital Gender-based Violence to reflect the current situation, as soon as possible. We also cooperated with the Social Housing Promotion Alliance to visit county and city political candidates and lobbied for improved "Social Housing" policies that meet service targets. We also joined the "Foreigners Assistance for Victims of Sexual Violence" alliance, fought against sexual violence on school campuses, advocated for increased protections for cross-border same-sex marriage rights, and urged for immediate assurance of people's rights to family reunification.









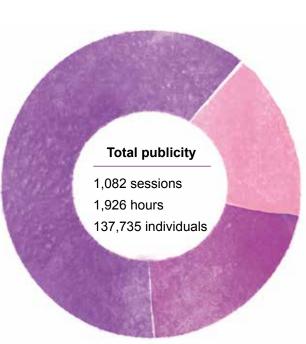
Diversified public education tailored to the audience's experience

In addition to policy advocacy, we also push for preventive measures such as cultivation through "public education". GOH also seeks out multiple ways to speak to people on school campuses, in the workplace, and in the community. We develop a hashtag, "#Thisismyhashtag," in response to the rise of "digital gender-based violence". We hope to promote greater empathy for victims amongst the public through the medium of drama. We use the situational puzzle game "Mission 8" to promote adolescent emotional education on campus. Also, observing the lack of teaching materials on "Prevention of Sexual Assault by Acquaintances" in the field of preschool education, we develop the educational package "New Views on Child Protection 2.0: Little Star and Kongkong Bird"; we also continue to promote our "Aher Sex/Gender Education Experience Service" in rural areas, with a new base established in Tainan.

Initiatives and Service Go Hand in Hand Committed to Act Promotion

In the process of serving victims of "child sexual exploitation", "sexual violence" and "domestic violence", GOH discovered a gap between the needs of clients and the current system, so we began to start policy and legislation advocacy work. In 2022, our efforts include promoting the "Anti-Harassment and Stalking Law" and the "Digital Gender-based Violence" four-law joint prevention and revision law. We also continue to advocate for the amendment of Taiwan's "Domestic Violence Prevention Act". Finally, we advocate for improved housing policy, participate in national meetings to review the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW).







178 sessions 350 hours

10,754 individuals



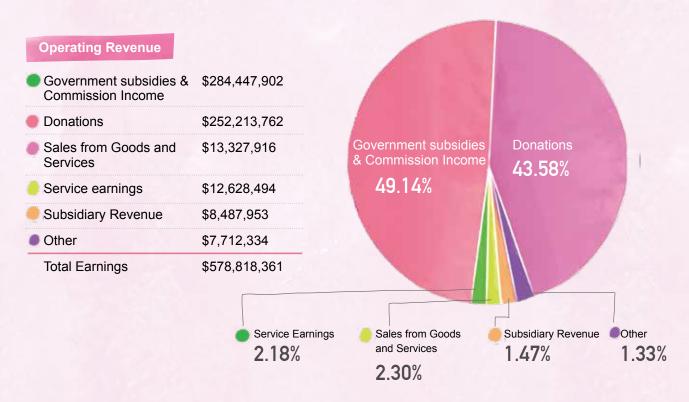
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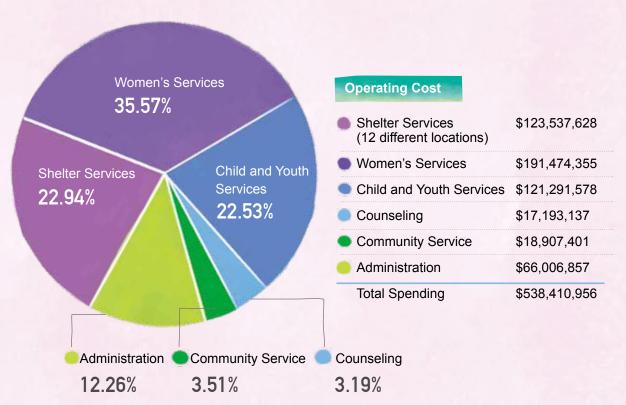
244 sessions

464 hours

12.104 individuals



















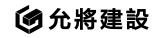












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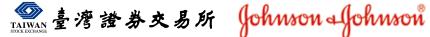
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We're dedicated to creating global platforms for women and girls across Asia.

With solidarity we'll end all forms of genderbased violence and achieve gender justice.

