

Texas Sexual Assault Statistics

- 1 in 5 women and 1 in 20 men will be sexually assaulted in their lifetime. That equals 1.8 million Texans.
- 40% of adults and teens don't know if there is a rape crisis center in their area.
- 4 out of 5 rapes go unreported.
- Sexually related crimes, especially those involving children, are one of the biggest concerns for Texans, rating above homicide, robbery and gang violence.

Uniform Crime Data

Number of victims recorded 2005: 1,564

Forcible rape is defined by the FBI as “the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. Assaults and attempts to commit rape by force or threat of force are also included; however, statutory rape (without force) and other sex offenses are excluded”. This definition of rape is extremely limited, excluding male victims of sexual assault, incidents where physical force was not used, victims raped by family members, and only counting victims of vaginal/penile penetration.

About the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault

What TAASA does: The Texas Association Against Sexual Assault (TAASA) is the statewide organization committed to ending sexual violence in Texas. A non-profit educational and advocacy organization based in Austin, TAASA member agencies comprise a statewide network of more than 80 crisis centers that serve rural as well as metropolitan areas. Founded in 1982, the agency has a strong record of success in community education, legal services, youth outreach, law enforcement training, legislative advocacy, and curricula and materials development.

Projects: Public awareness campaign- launched in 2003, award-winning campaign "Speak Up. Speak Out." tripled Texas calls to RAINN hotline and TAASA website hits. Diversity task force- meets on a regular basis to ensure rape crisis centers and staff have tools to provide services to members of underserved communities. Students Taking Action for Respect (STAR) — program targeted to junior high and high school students and is designed to develop youth leadership and prevention skills regarding issues of school safety such as sexual harassment, sexual assault and dating violence.

Special populations: Spanish- speaking population, undocumented immigrants, non-English speaking Asian immigrants

Staff:

15 full time, 1 part time, 3-4 interns, 2 contract

Funding

Federal funding received annually:
690,231

State funding received annually: 595,000

Pass through? No

Federal funding received by RCCs:
7,055,559

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