



# FISCAL YEAR 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

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*Dear friends & colleagues,*

2023 was an incredible year for our SAFE community. We officially opened our new space in Franklin, celebrated 7 years as a nonprofit, created new clinical and peer programs, enhanced our geographic service area, and developed industry partnerships to better serve all those we work with.

Our adolescent wellness division saw a growth of 3 times the amount of youth participation. The Family Recovery Center opened and, with the construction of an amazing new wall, doubled our private meeting availability. Meanwhile, our Collaborative Care team developed an outstanding weekly program at the Dedham House of Corrections. This year also allowed us to develop a deep sense of DEI and a full internal review of all policies and programs and plan for an equitable and inclusive path forward for our organization.

The mission of SAFE is to listen to the needs of the community and develop resources and supportive care with those who carry lived experience. This year, SAFE was invited to support the Town of Franklin's humanitarian efforts toward area newcomers. We are so proud to have a multilingual staff with professional backgrounds in migrant care and trauma-informed healthcare system development. In partnership with other local area faith and nonprofit communities, we at SAFE offered styles of support that both decrease trauma and increase protective factors for our area newcomers and our larger community as well.

Every day, it is an honor to work alongside you, our community members, to help where we are needed. Simply put, our accomplishments would not have been possible without your support. I am so very proud of our growth over the last year and look forward to furthering our mission in our community in 2024.



*Sincerely,*

**Jennifer Levine**  
CEO | Co-Founder

*Jennifer Levine*

## WHO WE ARE

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SAFE is a nonprofit organization dedicated to meeting the needs of the community. By working closely with community members, we close gaps in their systems of care. We also work with neighbors, local businesses, and schools across southeastern Massachusetts to conceive, develop, and deliver our programming.

SAFE hosts compassionate and judgment free support and services to those impacted by substance use disorder, mental health issues, and related behavioral concerns.



## TRANSFORMATION STORY

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Up in Smoke is a program developed and run by SAFE to help teens better understand their decisions related to substance use. With trained staff working in small group settings, the course empowers students to discover freedom and self-respect through daily habits.

*"I loved this program very much and I definitely recommend it. The people here were incredible and made me unironically feel very "safe". I've learned a lot, and I hope now to...decrease my substance use and ultimately quit for good." - Up in Smoke graduate*



## FISCAL YEAR 2023 IMPACT

**8,440** Diapers distributed

**4,500** Fentanyl test strips distributed

**78** Teen substance diversion program graduates

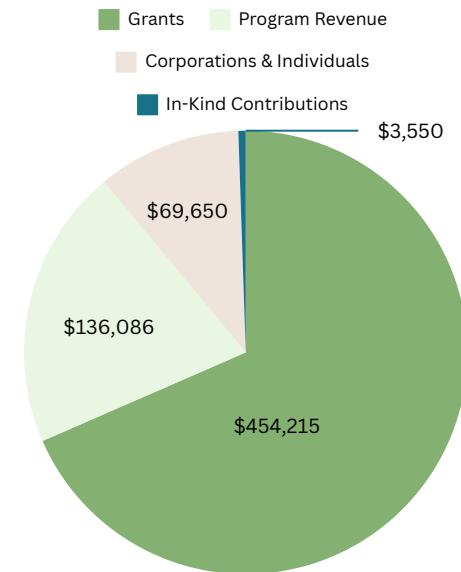
**60** Infant and child car seats distributed

**1,144** Weekly support group attendees



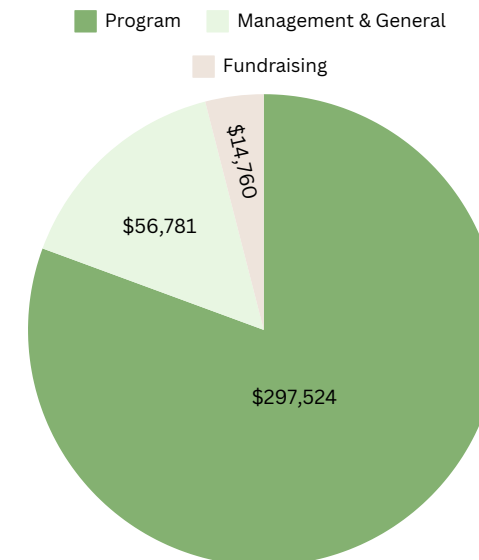
## SOURCES OF FUNDING

\*Numbers are from FY2022 and are audited



## EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

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## NARCAN IMPACT AT A GLANCE —————♥

**The background:** Narcan (Naloxone) is a nasal spray used to revive someone during an overdose from opioid pain medications like oxycodone and Fentanyl, and street drugs like heroin. Taking a high dose or combining opioids with other substances can lead to overdose, which can be life-threatening.

**The news:** In 2023, SAFE was awarded a subsidization option for its Massachusetts Controlled Substance Registration (MCSR) through the Community Naloxone Program.

**What this means:** We have been able to provide thousands of doses of life-saving medicine to our community. This was a crucial step in eliminating the financial burden of purchasing Narcan at \$50 per dose. Because we knew how deeply and urgently our community needs this medicine, we devoted significant time and resources to raising funds specifically to purchase Narcan. Today, with our subsidized MCSR, we can order, distribute, and train for administering Narcan with zero cost to us or our community.



**3,100**

**Narcan doses distributed**

**600**

**Community members trained to administer Narcan**

**20**

**Towns supported with Narcan training and distribution**

**57**

**Narcan training hours conducted in local communities**

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