



Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada's

RESILIENCY & JUSTICE

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Resiliency & Justice Center Year-End Report 2024



Executive Summary

The Resiliency & Justice Center, formerly the Vegas Strong Resiliency Center, is a place of healing and support dedicated to serving as a resource and referral center for survivors of violent crime as well as those affected by the tragic events of October 1, 2017.

The Resiliency & Justice Center is managed by Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada and is staffed by knowledgeable and caring professionals from Clark County, the State of Nevada, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Victims Services, and Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada to help people access resources for building strength and resiliency in the aftermath of violent crime.

Clients Served

Resiliency & Justice Center 2024	
Legal Case Clients Served	299
Critical Support Services	2750
Healing & Supportive Services	1,943
Total Clients Served	4,992

The Resiliency and Justice Center provides survivors with critical support services, all under one roof, including:

- Assistance locating physical and mental health resources to assist with survivors with post-traumatic stress
- Advocacy on victim of crime compensation, case management, and health insurance claims
- Referrals to vetted trauma providers, therapists, and mental health resources such as grief and trauma support groups to promote healing
- Trustworthy legal advice to help with loss of income, medical billing disputes, disability payments, debt collection, eviction, and other issues resulting from trauma
- 24/7 access to support during crime incident anniversaries, feelings of loss during holidays, and triggering events such as new mass shootings or crimes that mirror a victim's experience
- Virtual and in-person support groups and wellness events to foster healthy coping skills
- Small support groups and outreach activities
- A call center and open hours for appointments

Most Significant Accomplishment

Provided programming and support community wide for two new mass incidents (December 5, 2023 incident at UNLV and the April 8, 2024 incident at City National Bank) while continuing to expand and grow individual victim services, including new human-trafficking partnerships and services.

Most Impactful Client Success Story

Megan*

When Megan, a single mother, became the target of stalking and threats that endangered her and her 4-year-old son, her world turned upside down. Although she had public housing benefits, she lacked the resources to relocate to a safer home. Initially, the state victim compensation program approved her claim for relocation and counseling assistance, offering a glimmer of hope. However, without warning, her eligibility was revoked, leaving Megan stunned, vulnerable, and afraid. With nowhere else to turn, she sought help from the Resiliency Center. Through the advocacy of the Center's attorney, Megan's benefits were reinstated. She was able to move her family to a safe and secure environment, breaking free from the constant fear. Today, Megan is connected to mental health services through the Resiliency Center, rebuilding her life with renewed strength and stability. Her journey exemplifies the transformative impact of the Center's support in restoring hope and safety to those in crisis.

***Name has been changed to protect client's confidentiality.*