Annual Report 2019-2020





Campus Convening for Anti-Violence Work in Higher Education participants.

In the Spring we co-hosted Returning to Sexual Intimi-tea with Student Sexuality Information Service (SSIS) for the second year in a row, having conversation about returning to intimacy after experiencing sexual violence. After going remote, we worked with student clubs such as: FMLA, GSC, JFAB, and STAR to host the first ever virtual Take Back the Night featuring a video debut and self-preservation space via Zoom. PARC continued to expand and innovate services over the 2019-20 year. In the Fall, we hosted a Consent Ice Cream Party serving ice cream and toppings based on explicit and enthusiastic conversations about flavors and toppings. In October for Domestic Violence Awareness Month we worked with many campus partners on a Toiletry Drive, donating 8 boxes of travel size toiletries to the local Domestic Violence shelter program, REACH Against Domestic Violence in Waltham. Also in October we hosted the first ever Campus Convening for Anti-Violence Work in Higher Education. Faculty, staff, and students from colleges and universities across Massachusetts joined us for a day to share strategies and build community.



In November we partnered with the Office of Study Abroad for Catching Flights, Feelings, or Both? an interactive workshop helping students plan for dating abroad.

We were excited to host the first ever PARC Partner Awards this year. While we weren't able to gather in person, we still honored students, staff, clubs, and offices that were great partners this year. The winners are:





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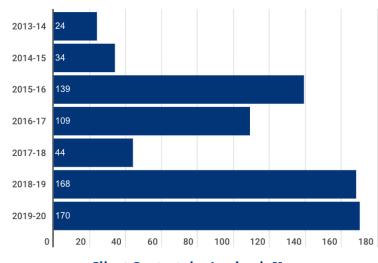
ADVOCACY

With the goal of being more accessible for advocacy services, the Peer Advocates began staffing a Chatbox in January which continued to provide opportunities for Brandeis community members to talk to a Peer Advocate even after we began working remotely in March.

Chat with an Advocate



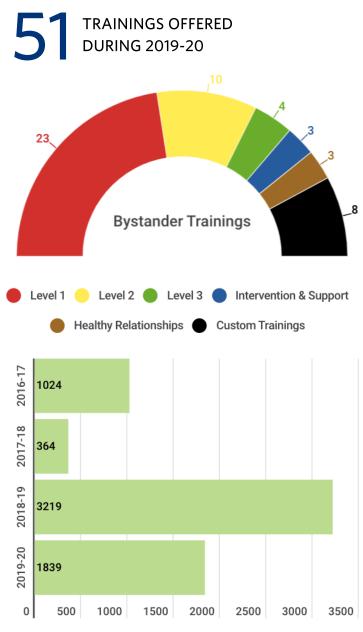
Based on feedback, PARC also began offering the option to schedule a meeting on our website. Visitors can choose to book a meeting with a Peer Advocate or a Professional staff member. This platform was useful once we began working remotely; community members could easily reserve a time to meet with an advocate via Zoom.



Client Contacts by Academic Year Between Zoom appointments, the hotline, and the Peer Advocate Chatbox, we continued to work with our community after going remote in March.

PREVENTION

The Violence Prevention Educators at PARC had a busy year up until March when we postponed the remainder of our scheduled trainings. Highlights from the team included debuting Bystander Level 3: Cycles of Violence, which discusses how to intervene in instances of covert violence such as microaggressions and violent jokes.



Individuals Trained by Academic Year 2019–2020 numbers are lower because most Spring trainings were cancelled due to COVID–19 and we had decreased presence at graduate school orientations.



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