

## From the Executive Director

**As I reflect** on the past year, I feel a deep sense of gratitude for nearly three decades of service as the Executive Director of TIPNW. Whether in collaboration with the Board, staff, volunteers, user agency partners, or supporters of TIPNW, it is my good fortune to work every day in the company of so many capable community leaders. Together, we strive to uphold the TIPNW mission with compassion and focus.

TIPNW's unwavering energy in the face of the nation's current health, economic, and social concerns is nothing short of inspiring. Despite the odds, TIPNW continued to serve our community with flexibility, innovation, and



Executive Director, June Vining

courage. In addition to the uninterrupted flow of day-to-day responses made by TIPNW volunteers in 2021, our organization broadened its scope in a variety of ways:

- TIP volunteers provided 611 hours of practical and supportive assistance at COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics throughout the metro area, in collaboration with medical professionals who served multi-generation families from a diverse range of backgrounds.
- TIPNW launched The TIP Circle, a new community engagement program aimed at keeping our community of valued TIPNW supporters informed of TIPNW's ongoing direct impact, news from the organization, and opportunities for supporter involvement.
- TIPNW expanded to the Columbia River Gorge with the formation of the special Columbia River Gorge Response Team. Composed of 20 TIP-trained citizens, our newest team commenced service to the Columbia Gorge area on December 1, 2021.
- TIP Volunteers provided 59 hours of staffing assistance at the local cooling and warming shelters, providing care and comfort to community members requiring shelter from the hot weather earlier this year and the extreme cold weather at the end of the year.
- Hyacinth, the TIPNW therapy dog, and her human handlers visited local 911 communication centers, offering a warm presence and dog snuggles to emergency communication staff. These respected call-takers and dispatchers are typically "forgotten victims" when tragedy strikes. Hyacinth and her humans delivered a special brand of care and comfort to a uniquely stressful workplace.

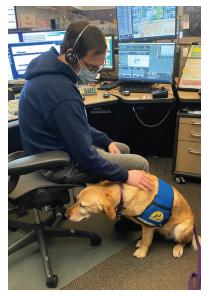
Though recent times have challenged us in unimaginable ways, a sense of hope remains. This hope is rooted in the triumphant human spirit that we in TIPNW are privileged to witness every single day. As we embark on our 30<sup>th</sup> year of growing, expanding, training, and being there for citizens in crisis, we feel infinitely fortunate to continue the TIP mission. The generosity of our partners makes this possible, and for that I am abundantly grateful. TIPNW pledges to maintain the integrity and level of community service our supporters and partners have come to expect and trust.

As we approach our 30 year anniversary, the TIPNW Board will be shortly sharing our vision for the next 30 years (and beyond). To empower our vision, we ask that you consider making three forms of gifts to TIPNW: (1) Increase your annual gift to enable us to expand our staffing and community impact, (2) give an extra amount to our endowment, ensuring perpetual support of the community, and (3) include TIPNW in your estate plan. You can **contact me directly at June@TIPNW.org** to answer questions about how you can best leave a giving legacy for TIPNW.

In TIP Spirit,

June, Executive Director

# What is **TIP?**



TIP is a group of specially trained citizen volunteers who provide emotional aid and practical support and resources to victims of traumatic events and their families in the first few hours following a tragedy.

# TIP Volunteers are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

TIP Volunteers are called by the emergency response system (police officers, firefighters, paramedics, hospital personnel and medical examiners) to assist family members and friends following a natural or unexpected death; victims of violent crime; victims of fire; disoriented or

lonely elderly persons; people involved in motor vehicle accidents; people who are distraught and seeking immediate support; and survivors of suicide.

#### Now, More than Ever, TIPNW is Always Ready... Always There.

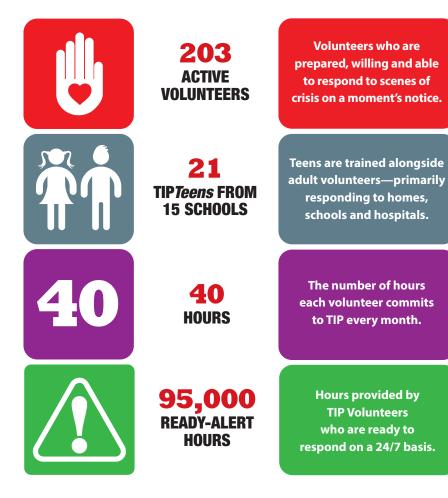
## TIP Staff



TIP Staff: Jordan, Dennis, June and Jami

#### Who We Are

Our Mission: Our citizen volunteers provide emotional first aid to survivors of tragedy in order to ease their immediate suffering and facilitate their healing and long term recovery.



## What We Did in 2021



3,064 SCENES OF TRAGEDY

267 more locations responded to by a TIP Volunteer than in 2020.

**10,375** HOURS SPENT SUPPORTING CLIENTS

Hours spent working with citizens immediately following a crisis.

2,313 CALLS MADE TO CITIZENS

Tele-TIP and 30-Day Follow-Up Calls.

12,256 CITIZENS SUPPORTED

Citizens provided with emotional and practical support.

#### Gone but Never Forgotten



**DAVID YORK** 17 YEARS WITH TIP

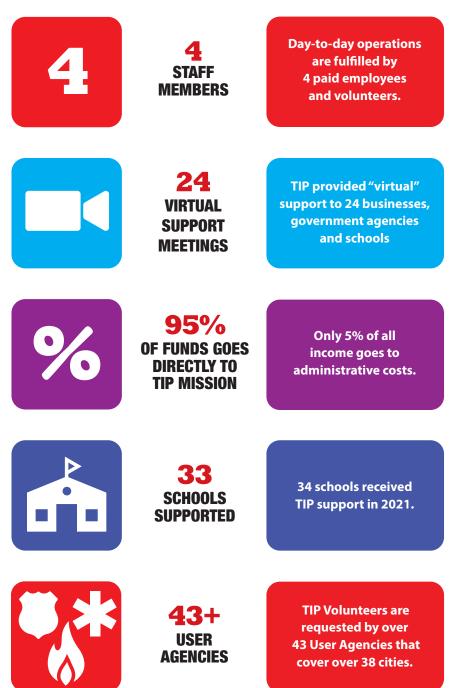


DR. MARY JO CARR 27 YEARS WITH TIP



**DR. JOHN FAZIO** 27 YEARS WITH TIP

# Other Facts: In the Numbers



# How You Can Help



TIP volunteers staffing a COVID vaccination clinic, educating the community about how to become a TIP volunteer and practicing what TIP volunteers train for over 60 hours to do — just be there.





Become a TIP Volunteer. Volunteer Training Academies are held at least once a year.





Connect TIP with your network of personal and professional supporters.





All donations are tax-deductible and directly support the TIP Mission.

#### Contact **TIP**



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