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REPORT

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear Supporters and Friends,

As I reflect on my first year as Executive Director of Clery Center, one feeling rises above all others: gratitude. I am grateful to be part of an organization so deeply committed to a mission that matters. Every day, I have the privilege of working alongside colleagues, partners, and supporters who believe that

every student deserves to learn and grow in an environment where they feel safe, supported, and respected.

Clery Center's work has always been grounded in the idea that transparency, prevention, and collaboration are essential to building safer campus communities. This year reminded me just how powerful that collective commitment can be.

In 2025, we marked the 35th anniversary of the Clery Act, a milestone that gave us the opportunity both to celebrate progress and to reflect on the work still ahead. For over three decades, the law has helped reshape how colleges and universities share information, respond to safety concerns, and remain accountable to the communities they serve. Through educational programming, partnerships across the higher education field, and conversations with campus professionals nationwide, we honored that legacy while continuing to advance the spirit of the law.

At the same time, the landscape facing colleges and universities continues to evolve. The first year of implementing the Stop Campus Hazing Act is a good example. Simply bringing greater visibility to hazing is an important first step, and Clery Center is committed to helping institutions translate new requirements into meaningful prevention and safer campus environments.

Throughout the year, I've been continually impressed by the dedication and expertise of the people who make this work possible. We welcomed a new Board Chair, Andy Cagnetta, and an outstanding group of campus practitioners who joined our National Advisory Council. Their perspectives—from student affairs to campus law enforcement, compliance, and Title IX—help ensure that our work reflects the realities facing campuses today.

That diversity of experience is one of Clery Center's greatest strengths. Our community includes educators, advocates, safety professionals, policymakers, students, and families. Each brings a different lens to the shared goal of creating safer campuses. When we listen to one another and work together, we are better equipped to respond to emerging challenges and develop thoughtful, practical solutions. Higher education is facing real pressures, but those pressures also push us to rethink long-standing practices and develop new approaches to safety and well-being. Progress often begins by asking hard questions and being willing to adapt.

As you read this report, you will see examples of that progress—from innovative campus initiatives to the partnerships and educational programs that help institutions strengthen their safety efforts every day. None of this work happens in isolation. It happens because of a community of people who believe that safer campuses are possible and who are willing to work together to make them a reality.

Thank you for being part of that community.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Alig'.

Bob Alig  
*Executive Director*



*Clockwise from top left: Andy Barkett, Bob Alig, Beth Riley, Sheilah Vance, Gary DeVercelly, Mary Swanson, Connie Clery, Julie DeVercelly, and Pearl Kim.*



*Board members Julie & Gary DeVercelly (left & standing), Sheilah Vance (center) and founder Connie Clery (right) with special recognition of their commitment and advocacy at Clery Center's annual Board of Directors' meeting.*

# STRENGTHENING CLERY CENTER'S LEADERSHIP TO ADVANCE CAMPUS SAFETY

In 2025, Clery Center welcomed new leadership and expanded advisory expertise to help guide the organization into its next chapter. With the appointment of a new Executive Director, a new Board Chairperson, and a new slate of members on our National Advisory Council, Clery Center strengthened the partnerships and perspectives that support our mission to create safer campus communities.

## Bob Alig, Executive Director

In 2025, Clery Center welcomed Bob Alig as Executive Director. Bob brings more than 25 years of leadership experience across higher education, nonprofit, and educational access organizations, with a career dedicated to fostering environments where students feel safe, supported, and empowered to succeed.

Prior to joining Clery Center, Bob served as Assistant Vice President of Alumni Relations at the University of Pennsylvania and held leadership roles with St. George's University and the College Board. He has also served in leadership roles at Minds Matter, a national nonprofit focused on college access for first-generation and low-income students, and as Director of MBA Admissions and Financial Aid at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, where he led global outreach and inclusive recruitment initiatives.

Bob brings strategic vision, operational expertise, and a deep commitment to student well-being to Clery Center's work.

## Andrew Cagnetta, Board Chairperson

Clery Center also welcomed longtime board member Andrew Cagnetta as our new Chairperson. Andrew is the founder of Transworld Business Advisors of Florida, the world's leading business brokerage franchise.

Throughout his career, Andrew has served on numerous corporate and nonprofit boards, including United Way of Broward County, Junior Achievement of South Florida, Legal Aid Service, and the International Business

Brokers Association. A graduate of Lehigh University, Andrew was a classmate and friend of Jeanne Clery, and his leadership reflects a personal commitment to advancing Clery Center's mission and honoring Jeanne's legacy.

## 2025 – 2026 National Advisory Council

Clery Center also continued strengthening its connection to the higher education community through its National Advisory Council (NAC), launched in 2023. The NAC is a collaborative group of campus-based professionals representing a multidisciplinary approach to campus safety, including student affairs, compliance, Title IX, and campus law enforcement.

Council members serve two-year volunteer terms and convene regularly to discuss emerging campus safety issues, provide feedback on Clery Center initiatives, and offer expertise that helps inform the organization's programs and policy efforts.

The 2025–2026 National Advisory Council members include:

- Dr. Kevin W. Bailey, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, University of North Carolina Charlotte
- Kate Fall, Compliance Coordinator, Lansing Community College
- Montelleo Hoble, Jr., Director of Threat Assessment, University of Colorado Boulder
- Dr. Bryant Jackson, Chief of Police, University of South Dakota
- Melinda Latas, Chief Compliance Officer, California State University, Office of the Chancellor
- Dr. Jaray E. Mazique, Director of Title IX and Compliance, Spelman College
- Lisa Pokorny, Response Chief, United States Air Force Academy
- Kimberly Spears-McNatt, Associate Vice President for Public Safety, Clemson University
- Dr. Michael Taberski, Vice President for Student & Campus Life, SUNY Geneseo

Together, these leaders provide valuable insight into the realities facing campus practitioners today, helping ensure that Clery Center's work remains responsive, relevant, and impactful.

Learn more about our National Advisory Council members at [clerycenter.org/national-advisory-council](https://clerycenter.org/national-advisory-council).

# CLERY CENTER MARKS 35 YEARS OF THE CLERY ACT WITH EDUCATION, COLLABORATION, AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT

In 2025, Clery Center proudly marked the 35th anniversary of the Clery Act, a landmark law that transformed how colleges and universities approach campus safety and transparency. Throughout the year we commemorated this milestone with educational programming, national partnerships, and a successful fundraising effort—all focused on advancing the law’s mission and strengthening safety on campuses nationwide.

Passed in 1990, the Clery Act was created to ensure that students, families, and campus communities have access to critical information about safety and crime on college campuses. For nearly four decades, Clery Center has played a central role in supporting institutions as they work to comply with the law and build practices of prevention, transparency, and accountability.

To honor the anniversary, Clery Center hosted a free webinar series that attracted 1,635 registrants from across the higher education community. The series provided practical guidance on Clery Act compliance, explored evolving best practices in campus safety, and created space for professionals to reflect on the law’s history and future. The strong turnout demonstrated the continued demand for education and collaboration around campus safety issues.

Clery Center also took part in the National Association of Clery Compliance Officers and Professionals (NACCOP) Annual Conference in July, where the organization delivered a special anniversary presentation in partnership with Dolores Stafford & Associates (DSA). The session brought together leading voices in campus safety to reflect on the law’s impact over the past 35 years and discuss the challenges and opportunities facing institutions today.

In addition to the conference presentation, Clery Center collaborated with DSA on a white paper commemorating the anniversary. The publication highlighted the progress made since the Clery Act’s passage while examining how institutions

can continue strengthening transparency, prevention efforts, and community trust moving forward.

The anniversary year also inspired widespread engagement from supporters. Through the “35 Years of the Clery Act” fundraising campaign, Clery Center successfully surpassed our \$70,000 goal (see next page), with support from donors across the country. The campaign was bolstered by a generous matching commitment from our Board of Directors, helping amplify the impact of individual contributions and ensuring that Clery Center can continue providing critical training, resources, and advocacy for campuses nationwide.

Throughout the year, Clery Center also ran a dedicated social media campaign highlighting important milestones in the history of the Clery Act and celebrating key achievements in campus safety. The campaign provided an opportunity to recognize the advocates, professionals, and institutions whose work has strengthened campus safety practices over the past three and a half decades.

Together, these efforts reflected both a celebration of progress and a recommitment to the work ahead. While the Clery Act has fundamentally changed how colleges address safety and transparency, the need for continued education, collaboration, and advocacy remains.

As we look to the future, Clery Center remains committed to its core mission: working together with college and university communities to create safer campuses—for all who are a part of those communities to learn, live, and thrive.



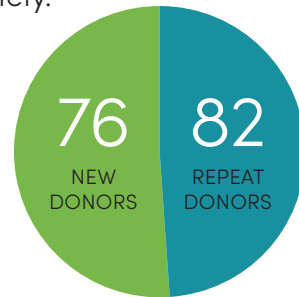
Board members Julie & Gary DeVercelly celebrate the passage of the Stop Campus Hazing Act with our founder, Connie Clery, at the 2025 Board of Directors meeting.

# NATIONAL CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

Our incredible board and donors helped us raise \$81,165 in September for our annual National Campus Safety Awareness Month fundraiser! These funds are used to train and educate campus communities across the country in best practices for Clery Act compliance, transparency, and safety.

TOTAL RAISED

\$81,165



## NCSAM SUMMIT

Our largest event each year is our annual National Campus Safety Awareness Month Summit in September. Our 2025 event was very successful with over 700 registrants! Respondents to our post-event survey strongly agreed or agreed with the following:

100%

Gained insight from new individuals, schools and organizations.

100%

Learned about new approaches to addressing safety concerns.

100%

Enhanced their understanding of how mental health shows up on campus.

# 2025 CAMPUS SAFETY IMPACT AWARD WINNER

Missouri University of Science and Technology was named the 2025 recipient of the Campus Safety Impact Award for its S&T Comprehensive Safety Initiative, a multi-layered program that has transformed the university's approach to campus safety and wellbeing.



Missouri S&T

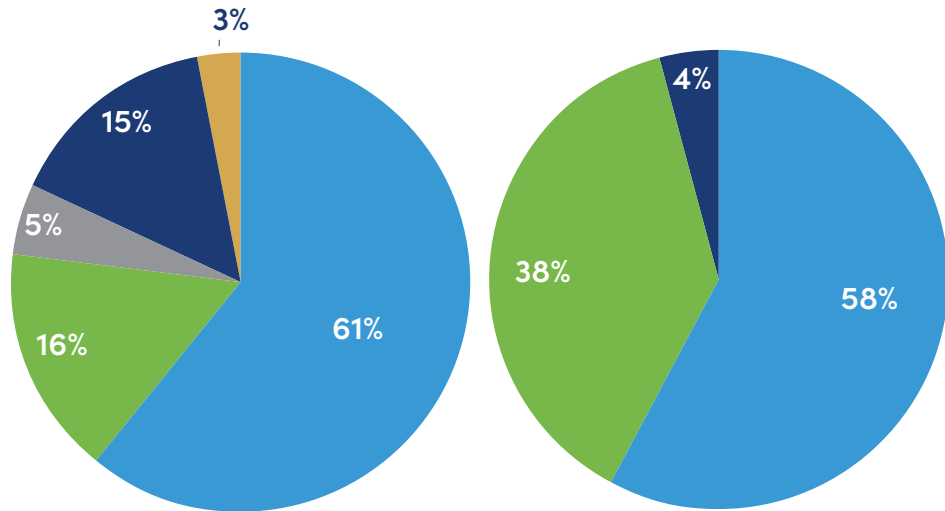
Launched in 2017 and continuing to evolve, the initiative combines advanced technology, regional collaboration, and holistic support to create a comprehensive safety ecosystem. Missouri S&T became the first campus in the University of Missouri System to deploy the RAVE Guardian mobile safety platform, giving students, faculty, staff, and visitors a direct line to University Police through calls, texts, emergency alerts, and GPS-enabled virtual escorts. The system integrates with the university's Mass Notification System, expanding emergency communication to reach not only campus members but also temporary visitors through an opt-in alert program.

Equally important is the program's focus on mental health and crisis response. Through a partnership with the South-Central Crisis Intervention Team, Missouri S&T collaborates with 25 organizations across six counties—including law enforcement, mental health providers, hospitals, and social service agencies—to ensure trauma-informed, coordinated responses to crises.

Integrated with campus programs such as UCARE and the Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT), the initiative provides a continuum of care that supports both immediate safety and long-term wellbeing—making Missouri S&T a national model for comprehensive campus safety.

Learn more about the Impact Award and 2025's winner on our website at: [clerycenter.org/impact-award](https://clerycenter.org/impact-award)

# 2025 FINANCIALS



REVENUES	
61%	Membership Fees
16%	Program Fees/Pub. Sales
5%	Federal Grants
15%	Contributions
3%	Investment

EXPENSES	
58%	Program Expenses
38%	Management & Operating
4%	Fundraising

Total estimated revenues for fiscal year 2025 were \$1,422,699 while estimated expenses totaled \$1,304,450. Please note that revenue and expenses are estimates and subject to change pending a final audit in 2026. More information about the Center, including a copy of our most recent audited financial statements and Form 990, can be found on our website at [clerycenter.org](http://clerycenter.org).



Clergy Center is pleased to have once again earned a Platinum Transparency Seal from Candid, representing our commitment to financial transparency. For more information about Candid's transparency seals, please visit [candid.org](http://candid.org).

# 2025 REACH

## MEMBERSHIP: (ALL TIERS)



86  
NEW MEMBERS

222  
MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Clergy Center received over

**131,500**

views on our blog in 2025, a 108% increase from the prior year, on topics such as the Stop Campus Hazing Act, the future of the Department of Education, and Title IX. Visit it at [clerycenter.org/blog](http://clerycenter.org/blog).

## PROGRAMS:

Our award from the Department of Justice to be a technical assistance provider for the Office on Violence Against Women Campus Grant Program was renewed through September 2027. Clergy Center has proudly served this program since 2009, and in 2025 we served over

**980**

grantees via in-person and virtual trainings & webcasts.

We also reached over

**3,700**

registrants with Clergy Center's trainings & programs.

OUR MISSION:  
Working together with college and university communities to create safer campuses.



“The best education  
in the world is useless  
if a student doesn’t  
survive with a healthy  
mind and body.”

—

Connie & Howard Clery  
Clery Center Founders