



# Women Helping Women



## 2008 Annual Report

### A Year in Review



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## **Our Mission**

Women Helping Women serves Southwestern Ohio as a unique provider of crisis intervention and support services for direct and indirect victims of sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking. The agency also takes a leading role in educating the community to promote awareness and help prevent these types of abuse.

## **Our Vision**

Taking an active role in empowering individuals and transforming our community.

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# Letter from The Executive Director



In the past year there have been many changes at Women Helping Women: 2008 brought a return to our original agency name, a new hotline number, a change in the agency's leadership and a changing funding climate. What remains constant is our dedication and commitment to our mission to serve Greater Cincinnati as a unique provider of crisis intervention and support services for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking and to taking a leading role in building awareness in the community to prevent these crimes.

I am honored to serve the clients, staff and trustees of Women Helping Women as the new Executive Director. Thankfully, I am not alone. Our new leadership team brings a wealth of experience and new energy to the agency, and we are excited to work with the Board of Trustees to fine tune our current programs, institute best practices, identify service needs and ensure that Women Helping Women continues to be a vital resource for our community.

We would not have been able to accomplish our goals without the support of our donors, sponsors and volunteers who gave so generously of their time, talent and financial gifts. In 2008, over 60 trained volunteers provided 6,011 hours of service to the agency, and 36.3% of our annual operating budget was funded through community donations and sponsorships.

What inspires all of us to action is the strength and determination of the survivors we serve who are working to overcome the trauma of abuse. Together, we have weathered a year of changes, grown stronger with each other's support and made our community a better, safer and more compassionate place to live.

I am confident that Women Helping Women will continue to thrive and grow, and I look forward to sharing our many future successes with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kendall Fisher". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "K" and "F".

Kendall Fisher  
Executive Director

## **Program Description and Accomplishments**

In 2008, Women Helping Women served over 7,000 direct and indirect survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking, and provided education/prevention programs to over 4,000 individuals in Hamilton County. The US Department of Health and Human Services has identified two outcomes as empirically shown by research to lead to long-term results of increased safety and well-being for domestic violence survivors: developing a plan of action to deal with their crisis and knowledge of resources available to assist/protect them. We measure these and other outcomes as appropriate to document and track the impact of our programming. Our target for all outcomes is 85% of clients served.

***In 2008, 94% of clients served demonstrated knowledge of resources available to assist/protect them and 92% of clients served had developed a plan of action/safety plan to deal with their crisis.***

### **Hotline**

Our hotline operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide crisis intervention to sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking victims. Hotline services include Language Line interpretation services for non-English speaking callers and TTY access for Deaf/Hard-of-Hearing callers.

***Women Helping Women handled 5,011 calls in 2008.***

*“Women Helping Women was helpful in every way. Thank you.” – Client*

### **Hospital Accompaniment**

Women Helping Women staff and volunteers work around-the-clock to provide support to sexual assault survivors in hospital emergency rooms.

***In 2008, we provided hospital accompaniment to 232 sexual assault survivors.***

*“I’m so grateful you helped me and my husband understand what was going on.” – Client, Parent of Survivor*

### **Court and Law Enforcement Advocacy**

Women Helping Women staff and volunteers accompany sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking survivors to criminal and domestic relations court daily, providing advocacy, support and education. Women Helping Women advocates also serve survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking during the investigation phase of cases involved with the Cincinnati Police Department.

***In 2008, we provided 454 court advocacy contacts and 389 law enforcement advocacy correspondence contacts.***

*“Thank you so much for all your help. I’m excited to start my new life.” - Client*

## **Individual Crisis Intervention**

Staff provides help to survivors dealing with the immediate after-effects of sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking.

***In 2008, the agency provided 614 individual crisis intervention sessions.***

*“Women Helping Women has been very helpful to me .Thanks a lot.” - Client*

## **Support Groups**

To help survivors cope with their feelings about experiencing sexual assault and/or domestic violence, Women Helping Women facilitates a number of support groups. These groups help survivors feel less isolated, enable them to share their experiences and feelings and provide them with support.

***Support group contacts totaled 1,132 in 2008.***

## **Volunteers**

Volunteers are vital to the 24-hour operation of the agency. Following intensive training, our volunteers serve many roles including court advocates, answering the hotline, accompanying sexual assault survivors to the hospital, and help with community outreach/education. Volunteers are also active as Board and committee members and provide clerical support.

***A group of over 60 volunteers provided more than 6,011 hours of service in 2008.***

## **Education & Prevention Services**

Community education and violence prevention are integral parts of our mission. In order to appropriately identify and respond to sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking, community members and professionals must be able to first identify potentially abusive/violent situations and then know how to appropriately respond once abuse is recognized. Our education and prevention services measure these outcomes and meet this critical need.

***2008 outcome measurements showed that after receiving education, 90% of program recipients were able to correctly identify the definition of rape/domestic violence, and 92% of recipients were able to identify the best ways to respond to/prevent rape/domestic violence.***

## **Community Outreach and Education**

Each year, Women Helping Women receives many requests for community education presentations about the issues of sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking. The agency also continues to be a crucial and reliable resource for the media regarding local, state and national issues involving sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking.

***A total of 30 speeches and 7 informational tables/booths reaching a total of more than 1,588 individuals were provided in 2008 to a variety of organizations and community groups.***

## **Professional Trainings**

Ensuring that other professionals such as law enforcement officers, medical professionals, teachers and counselors/social workers know how to identify and respond to sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking improves our community's response to survivors and increases their safety and support.

***A total of 28 professional trainings reaching a total of 836 individuals were provided in 2008 to a variety of organizations including law enforcement departments, social service agencies, hospitals, clinics, drug treatment programs and other professionals.***

## **Date Rape/Dating Violence Prevention Program**

Domestic/dating violence and sexual assault disproportionately affect youth: girls [ages] 16 to 19 are four times more likely than the general population to be victims of rape, attempted rape or sexual assault (National Crime Victims Survey, 2000), and women ages 16 to 24 experience the highest per capita rates of intimate partner violence (US Department of Justice, 2001). Our school-based education prevention program provides junior and senior high school students and other at-risk adolescent groups the knowledge and skills to recognize, respond to, and prevent date rape/dating violence.

***A total of 115 classrooms/programs and 2,010 individual adolescents received prevention programming in 2008.***

*"I think this program is great! It taught me a lot. I thought I knew a lot about relationships, rules, and regulations; but it turn out that I'm not even close! I'm glad I was a part of this presentation." - Client*



# Financial Information

## RAPE CRISIS AND ABUSE CENTER OF HAMILTON COUNTY, dba WOMEN HELPING WOMEN

### STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

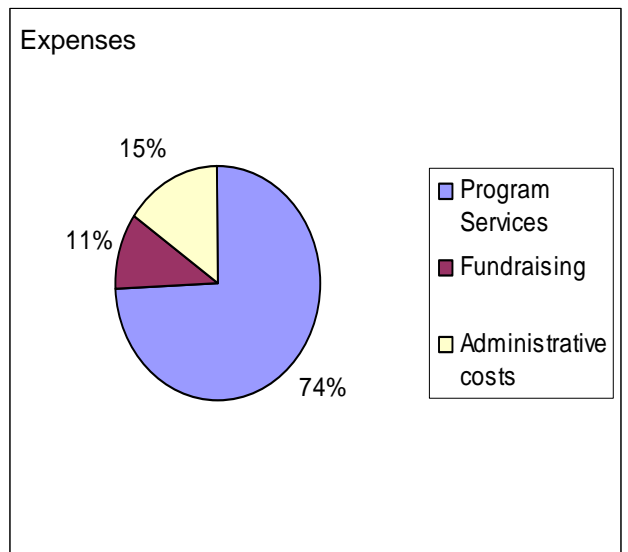
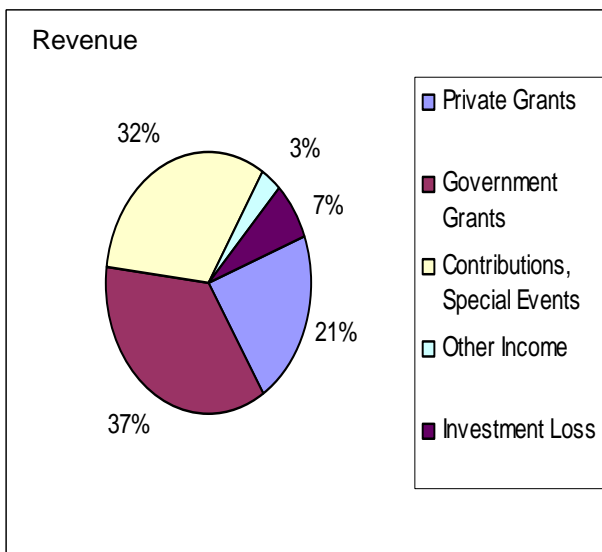
Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007

	2008				2007			
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
<b>Public support and revenues:</b>								
Private grants and allocations	\$ 62,771	\$ 125,960	\$ -	\$ 188,731	\$ 68,857	\$ 124,612	\$ -	\$ 193,469
Government grants	317,803			317,803	348,576			348,576
Contributions	156,772			156,772	402,288			402,288
Special events	115,694	9,828		125,522	91,274	8,000		99,274
Program services fees	21,181			21,181	22,530			22,530
Investment earnings (losses), net	(64,556)			(64,556)	13,122			13,122
Other income	5,757			5,757	2,043			2,043
Release of restricted contributions	132,686	(132,686)		-	131,693	(131,693)		-
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>748,108</b>	<b>3,102</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>751,210</b>	<b>1,080,383</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,081,302</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>								
Program services	685,356			685,356	709,661			709,661
Fundraising	97,866			97,866	115,802			115,802
Management and general	139,861			139,861	84,405			84,405
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>923,083</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>923,083</b>	<b>909,868</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>909,868</b>
<b>Incr (decr) in net assets</b>	<b>(174,975)</b>	<b>3,102</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(171,873)</b>	<b>170,515</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>171,434</b>
<b>Net assets:</b>								
Beginning of year	438,751	132,612	50,000	621,363	268,236	131,693	50,000	449,929
<b>End of year</b>	<b>\$ 263,776</b>	<b>\$ 135,714</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>	<b>\$ 449,490</b>	<b>\$ 438,751</b>	<b>\$ 132,612</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>	<b>\$ 621,363</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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The complete audited financial statements can be obtained by sending a request to 215 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cincinnati, OH 45202, Attn: Pat Seubering, by calling 513-977-5541, viewed on our website at [www.womenhelpingwomen.org](http://www.womenhelpingwomen.org) or by sending an e-mail request to [info@womenhelpingwomen.org](mailto:info@womenhelpingwomen.org).



# Donor Recognition

We would like to recognize the following individuals, corporations and foundations who made a financial contribution to Women Helping Women from January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. We are extremely grateful for your ongoing and committed support. Every effort has been made to include all donors. If we have inadvertently omitted your name, we humbly apologize. Please contact the Development Office, and we will rectify the situation in our next Annual Report..

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