# So much more.



2008 Sheltering Wings Annual Report



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We are so much more than a refuge.

We are a place of hope.

# Financials

# Revenue Total: \$1,102,585.60 Volunteer In Kind Time \$58,821.00 Interest Income \$10,681.60 In-Kind Donations \$94,552.00 Church Support \$90,199.00 Individual Support\* \$162,119.00 United Way Support and Board of Directors \$32,433.00 Designated Giving \$197,113.00 Corporate Support \$103,184.00 Civic Groups \$25,164.00 Government Support \$215,551.00 Foundations \$112,768.00 Expenses Total: \$1,095,448.00 \$151,697.00 Prevention, Education & Outreach \$33,792.00 Administrative Costs \$220,626.00 Children's Program \$385,139.00 Life Skills & Mentoring \$304,194.00 Crisis Intervention

<sup>\*</sup>Dinner Dance included

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#### Volunteers





#### Volunteer numbers

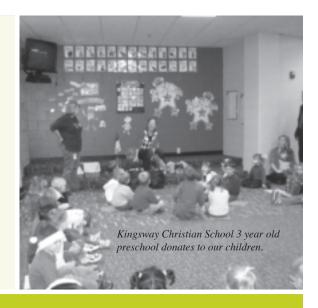
Administrative – 691.5 hours Crisis Intervention – 282 hours Mentoring – 946 hours Children's Program – 1,594 hours

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." - Matthew 25: 35-36, 40

# In Kind Donations

#### In kind donations

Grocery Items \$29,482
Program Supplies \$2,537
Office Supplies \$2,460
Postage \$1,715
Misc. \$19,815
Professional Fees \$5,666
Children's Program \$12,254
Women's Program \$20,163



# "Love your neighbor as yourself." - Luke 10:27b



# Prevention/Education/Outreach

"Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness." - Colossians 1:11

#### Prevention/Education/Outreach numbers

Adults educated about domestic violence – 1,243 Outreach to the community – 11, 209 Outreach and education – 981 hours



# Teen Council





### Teen Council - teen dating education

Teens educated about dating violence -737Teen dating education presentations -34

"For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope." - Romans 15:4

### **Board Members**



Dan Bond, Chair Capstone Benefits Advisors Zionsville Presbyterian Church

"The reward I receive from working with the Shelter – of knowing the staff, volunteers and supporters and seeing the help it provides to women and children in distress – is so much greater than what I give to it."



Dave Blanford, Vice Chair ClaimAid Consulting Corporation Cornerstone Christian Church

"I'm involved because Sheltering Wings is a faith-based, Christ-centered ministry that has helped literally thousands of people. Through the wonderful caring staff, an incredibly generous community, a number of like-minded agencies and foundations, hundreds of dedicated volunteers and a sold-out board, the Shelter is providing humanitarian assistance and spiritual guidance to women and children in crisis. The Shelter is a refuge, a cycle-breaker and, in the most positive sense, a port in a storm."



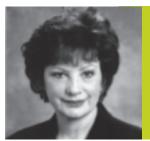
Bill Blaser, Treasurer L.M. Henderson Traders Point Christian Church

"I am on the Board because I believe that it is the responsibility of Christians to take care of those who are in need and who need defending."



Deanna Sanders, Secretary Citizens Energy Group Coatesville United Methodist Church

"God touched me the first time I heard of the Shelter and what it stood for. You can see His work through the love shared by so many at Sheltering Wings and for Sheltering Wings."



Susan Blandford Carpenter Realtors Countryside Community Church

"Domestic Violence can happen in any family. My desire as a Board Member is to help raise the level of awareness of domestic violence in our own backyards, to make sure that every person suffering inside their home knows of an alternative living arrangement. The Shelter provides that safe place for a woman with or without children."



Paul Hardin Hendricks County Recorder Plainfield Friends Meeting

"As a former deputy prosecutor I am well aware of the criminal law affecting abusers and how the victims of abuse often have nowhere to turn for help when the frustration of an abusive situation continues. Anything that can be done for the victims of abuse extends to the women, children and community on an unbelievably critical and necessary basis. Any small influence I can bring to this critical need for every victim is the least I can do."

Dave Helm Prestwick Development Traders Point Christian Church

"As a community we are responsible for providing a safe haven for women and children from abusive situations. Serving on the board of Sheltering Wings is one way that I can help insure that we fulfill our responsibility."



Dawn Horth Duke Engery Traders Point Christian Church

"I am proud to be a board member of Sheltering Wings; a faith-based organization which nurtures the souls of women and societies most vulnerable, children. They are about new beginnings, showing a way out and proving it can be done."



Greg Hylton Indianapolis Colts Plainfield Christian Church

"I think we all have a social responsibility to serve our community and make it a better place to live. Sheltering Wings is a place that does that every day, teaching hope and faith to abused women and their children. I am thrilled to be involved in an organization that serves others so diligently and faithfully. It is truly a blessing to play a small role in the Lord's work through Sheltering Wings."



Cindy Leffler Indianapolis Power & Light Messiah Lutheran

"I lost someone close to me due to domestic violence. By serving on the board of directors I am honoring my friend."



Robert Leonard Retired Cornerstone Christian Church

"Achieving a clear mission and meeting a real need is what Sheltering Wings is all about. With the facility operating continuously at full capacity, the need for the shelter and its services is greater than any of us had realized when it began eight years ago. Helping to protect and provide for women and their children in crisis is a good work. It's a fulfilling ministry and I am pleased to be a part of it."



"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." - Ephesians 2:10

# Year In Summary





- " A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity."
  - Proverbs 17·17





#### Letter From The Chairman

To our Donors, Friends, and Families,

Having worked in marketing for a number of years, I sometimes found it hard to capture in words all the great qualities of the product or service I was trying to describe. As is often the case, you have to actually see something to truly appreciate it.

This is especially true when we talk about Sheltering Wings. The Shelter's mission statement describes its purpose and its web site provides a glimpse into the services it offers. However, neither of these fully captures the spirit of the Shelter. When people see it in action, they are always surprised to learn that the Shelter is so much more than what they originally thought.

Visitors who tour the facility are immediately struck by its organization, efficiency and safety, as well as its ability to be a real home to the families living there.

When you watch the intake of a new resident and her children, you not only see the compassion and caring of the staff, but also their skill and professionalism.

If you participate in one of the many programs that help residents learn the emotional and practical skills necessary to regain their lives, you realize these programs have been carefully studied and selected based on the quality of their content and overall effectiveness.

You need to meet with our outreach staff to appreciate the value of the relationships they build, and attend a seminar they conduct on domestic violence to understand the education and prevention it provides to the community.

You have to observe our volunteers in action to witness the energy and enthusiasm they bring to the Shelter and the amount of work they're able to perform, thereby reducing Shelter expenses.

If you shadow our management staff, you will see how easily they perform multiple tasks, from handling a resident crisis at the shelter, to mentoring and motivating the staff, to delivering a talk at a civic group, to calling on a friend and supporter of the Shelter.

Finally, you have to see yourselves – not as a single person or entity, but a collection of committed donors who have come together for this cause and enabled the Shelter to change and improve lives forever.

For that, we sincerely thank you. Because it is only through your help and God's guidance that the Shelter is so much more.

Sincerely,

Dan Bond, Chairman

### Children's Services

# In 2008, 135 children called Sheltering Wings home

- They stayed a total of 7,439 bed nights
- 48% were boys
- 52% were girls
- 59% age birth to 5
- 20% age 6 to 9
- 18% age 10 to 14
- 3% age 15 to 18

#### Groups offered in 2008

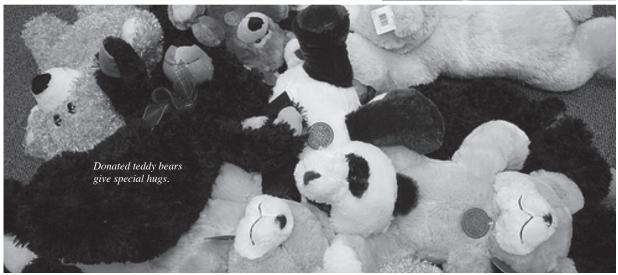
- 38 Divorce Care Groups
- 40 Safety Groups
- 83 Healthy Relationships Classes
- 18 Teen Dating Violence Classes

#### What did children learn?

- Effective ways to stay safe
- Effective ways to respond to stress
- Warnings signs of abusive relationships
- How to deal with their feelings

" I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you." - John 14:18





### Women's Services

#### In 2008, 118 women called Sheltering Wings home

- They stayed a total of 5,261 bed nights
- Upon entering 89% make less than \$15K per year
- 3% age 18-19
- 43% age 20-29
- 26% age 30-39
- 21% age 40-49
- 5% age 50-59
- 2% age 60-64
- 44% are married
- 10% are divorced
- 42% are single
- 4% are separated

#### Groups offered in 2008

- 58 Healthy Relationships Classes
- 57 Parenting Classes
- 17 Budgeting Classes
- 7 Health & Nutrition Classes
- 28 Computer Classes
- 26 Stress Management Classes

#### Crisis calls in 2008

• 1,405 callers were given resources

#### What did the women learn?

- Effective methods of parenting
- Effective methods of keeping their children safe
- Safety planning
- Internet safety
- Co-dependency



"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear." - 1 John 4:18



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#### Mission

Sheltering Wings provides emergency housing for women and children suffering from any form of domestic abuse. We build stable and independent lives through essential programs offered in a supportive and Christ-centered environment.

#### Vision

Sheltering Wings was formed in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ. The Center will extend the love and compassion of Christ to women and their children in the desperate circumstances of domestic violence. Christ was never coercive or offensive, and neither are the services provided by the Center. Our assistance to any victim of any background will be



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