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PLACE

secure area family environment



*“I know now that the
abuse wasn’t my fault.
Thank you for helping me
see the truth.”*

– S.A.F.E. Place counseling client

2014 annual report

our mission

S.A.F.E. Place is committed to helping victims of domestic violence and their families in Calhoun, Eaton and Barry Counties by:

- Providing quality shelter and crisis intervention services at no cost and
- Advocating for safety as prescribed by law.



1 of every 3 women

is a current or former victim of domestic violence. The World Health Organization states that violence against women is the leading health care crisis, globally.

our history & philosophy

S.A.F.E. Place was established in 1983 in response to an identified community need to deal with family violence. In 1989, our shelter moved from an 18-bed facility to its current 56-bed location which provides greater capacity and more adequately accommodates the need in the community. S.A.F.E. Place offers unduplicated services to the community.

- This agency operates on a philosophy of self-determination and empowerment, remaining non-judgmental toward clients, their values, lifestyles, and life choices.
- An environment of security and support allows victims to make informed choices about their situation and the role of an advocate is to help a victim move from where she sees herself to where she wants to be.
- It is the philosophy of this organization to approach the problem of domestic violence holistically by working to strengthen and enforce current laws and by educating the public of their responsibility to ensure zero tolerance of domestic violence in the community.
- We stress early intervention, prevention, and our services are centered on strengthening families and providing a continuum of care through community resources and referrals.

for more information or to make a donation, please contact us

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empowered

To the people and staff of S.A.F.E. Place,

I arrived at S.A.F.E. Place as a victim and now I'm a survivor. You walked me through the pain and helped me realize I DO NOT deserve to be abused. I really lost myself through the years of abuse but thanks to S.A.F.E. Place, I'm happy and confident again.

– former S.A.F.E. Place shelter guest



“Giving my son a safe home makes me feel proud.”

We're both doing better than I ever thought we could.

– former S.A.F.E. Place shelter guest

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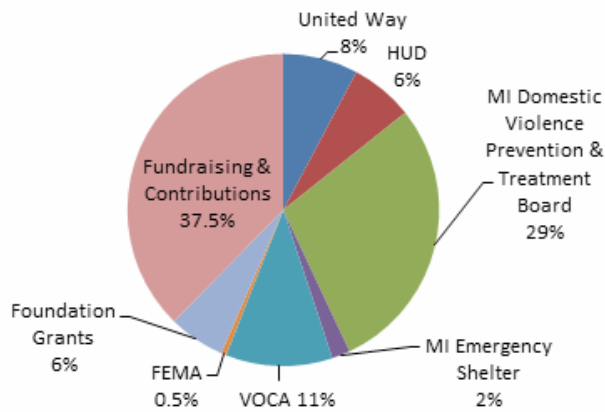
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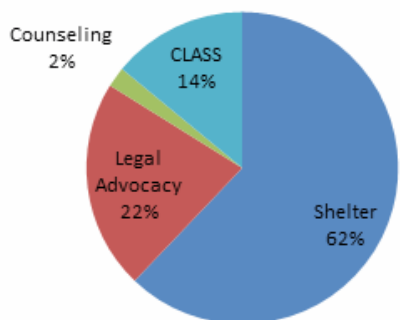
during 2014

- We served 1,864 victims of domestic violence
- We provided 11,117 nights of shelter
- 179 adults and 148 children utilized the shelter
- An additional 975 people utilized our nonresidential services including legal advocacy
- Our 24-hour hotline received 562 crisis and information/referral calls
- 7 adults and 24 children were housed through our permanent support housing program
- We trained 2,337 people through presentation and community education
- Volunteers gave 4,493 hours of their time valued at \$124,749

Funding Sources



Program Services Expenses



“The people who work at S.A.F.E. Place were super nice to me. I liked it there.”

– former S.A.F.E. Place child shelter guest

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