



*St. Jude  
House*

Family Violence Prevention Center & Shelter

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*Peace & Promise*  
**ONE DAY AT A TIME**

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**ST. JUDE HOUSE  
ANNUAL REPORT 2008**



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## LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

*Dear Friends,*

*During the past year, St. Jude House has been most fortunate to have you partner with us to meet the multitude of challenges we face as a service provider. We have achieved many things, and even in these current times of economic woes we have been able to continue to serve at capacity and maintain quality care. This is because of the outpouring of community support that we receive.*

*Let us take this moment to say thank you. Thank you for your trust and help to assist those most in need. We know that our values guide us and share with you how we carry out our mission.*

*We also share with you a motivation rooted in hope. Despite daily news accounts of family violence and sexual assault, we have hope. We share this hope with all stakeholders in St. Jude House. We envision a time when all of our prevention efforts have ended the generational cycle of violence in our community. This will be a time where all children are nurtured and live in a stable environment. We see a future filled with promise; where healthy relationships thrive and self-assured women and men give and receive respect. In this vision, we see that all people are free to experience the fullness of their lives.*



*There is much work to be done.  
We remain vigilant in heeding this call and  
know it is due to the unwavering support of  
individuals, businesses and organizations in  
our community that we are able to continue  
on this path of service.*

*May we have faith in the power of what  
we accomplish together.*

*Peace and Blessings,*

SR. DIANE MARIE COLLINS, OSF  
*Chairman of the Board*

MARY E. GOVERT  
*Executive Director*

## **NEW BEGINNINGS FOR ADULTS**

New Beginnings is a comprehensive program for adult victims of domestic violence. The program assists victims through all phases of their recovery journey that leads away from abuse. The program includes several specialized services that empower the victim to achieve self-sufficiency and become free of abusive relationships. In fiscal year 2008, the Adult Services staff provided 3,076 individualized case management services to 164 clients and 220 hours of domestic violence education to 163 clients. In addition to programmatic services, clients are provided with emergency shelter. In 2008, a total of 7,650 shelter nights were provided to domestic violence victims and their children.

## **LIFE BUILDER PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN**

The Life Builder program provides comprehensive services to children up to age 18. The program aims to decrease emotional distress, reduce violent behavior and equips children with critical life skills by providing crisis intervention and teaching non-violent alternatives. Focusing specifically on a child's unique needs represents our commitment to ending the generational cycle of violence. In fiscal year 2008, the Children's Department staff provided more than 202 hours of one-on-one domestic violence education to 113 children.





## **LEGAL ADVOCACY**

The Legal Advocacy program provides victims with information about the criminal justice system and how to seek protection through the legal system. The Legal Advocate assists clients with obtaining protective orders and police reports, applying for violent crime victim compensation, court accompaniment and pro-bono attorney referrals. In 2008, we provided 150 clients with 158 hours of legal advocacy services.

## **GROUP SERVICES**

Services provided through our group sessions help adult victims address a variety of domestic violence and sexual assault issues. Group services provide information for survivors of domestic violence and help victims understand the dynamics of abuse. The group also focuses on issues caused from the trauma of abuse, rape and/or sexual assault and provides tools for achieving self-sufficiency. In fiscal year 2008, we provided 862 hours of group services to 130 clients.

## **CRISIS INTERVENTION**

Our 24-hour crisis line provides support to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault who may be in imminent danger. Victims' needs range from locating immediate shelter to finding support and information. Our trained associates and volunteers are the compassionate voice for a caller in need of empathy, understanding and help. A total of 710 crisis calls were received during fiscal year 2008.

## **SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES**

Many survivors of domestic violence are also survivors of sexual assault, rape, child molestation or incest. Our Sexual Assault department offers men, women and children support, education and advocacy through their healing process. Our 24-hour Rape Response Team provides immediate support to rape victims during the evidence collection process at local emergency rooms.

## **HOW YOUR GIFTS MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

In addition to providing the comprehensive services listed above, St. Jude House employs a data collection system that measures each client's progress during their stay. Measures include a case management tool that tracks a victim's successes as well as an exit evaluation that records where the victim goes immediately after leaving shelter. Data analysis for fiscal year 2008 indicates that a majority of our clients enter the shelter in a vulnerable state and steadily progress to a state of stability by the time of exit. Analysis also reveals that of the 188 clients who exited our shelter during fiscal year 2008, 94% of those clients did not immediately reconcile with their abusers.

## **SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY**

All services provided at St. Jude House are free of charge to victims regardless of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, disability or other status applicable by law. In fiscal year 2008, we provided \$1,060,143 in services to 240 adults and 200 children.

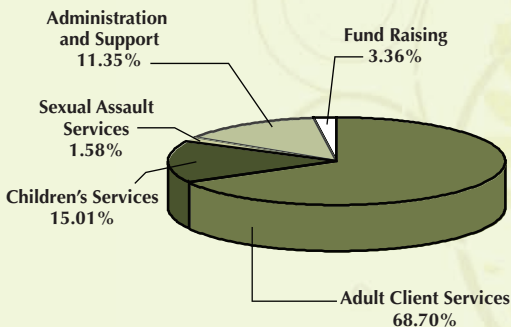


# SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

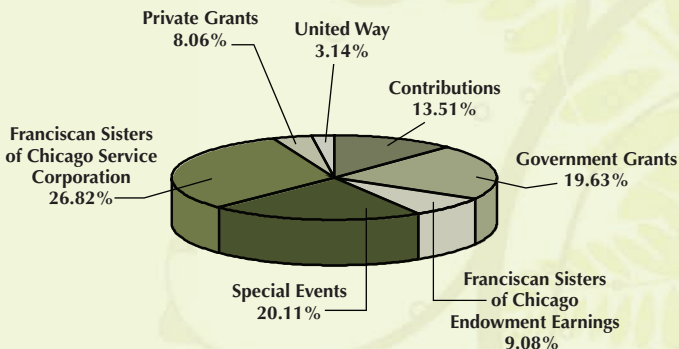
## FISCAL YEAR 2008

St. Jude House is proud of the high standards that are maintained by the diligent efforts of its talented staff, dedicated volunteers and the board of directors. Those standards place certain demands on the way resources are utilized and the manner in which families are assisted every day of the year. In addition, the standards also result in better outcomes for the adults and children who seek services at St. Jude House.

### TOTAL EXPENSES Total \$1,242,997



### TOTAL REVENUE Dollars in Thousands Total \$1,211,881



# THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

## FISCAL YEAR 2008

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## OUR MISSION

*To honor the dignity of life by serving  
as a compassionate community*

## OUR VALUES

### RESPECT

*Seeing the face of God  
reflected in those we serve*

### SERVICE

*Responding to the needs  
of others before our own*

### DEDICATION

*Passionately fulfilling  
this call entrusted to us*

### STEWARDSHIP

*Responsibly using our resources;  
aware that all creation is a gift*

### JOY

*Giving from your heart*

## OUR VISION

*To become the optimal means  
which frees all those we serve  
to experience the fullness of their lives*