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# REPORT

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# Alice

Alice came to Peace at Home from another state to escape her abusive partner. She was working toward getting a permanent job and housing, but he consistently sabotaged her efforts by stealing her money and preventing her from getting to work. He would often make her stay with him in the woods, and once threatened her life by limiting her access to food and water for several days.

Eventually, she contacted a friend in NWA and snuck out while he was asleep. Communal living was difficult for Alice, but she worked hard and focused on her goals to reestablish her independence. While in shelter she worked on finding employment and housing, applying for mainstream benefits, and improving her mental and physical health.



# 132

support groups  
attended by 235 clients

# 833

crisis calls received by  
our advocates

# 8000

safe nights for 117 adults  
and 121 children provided  
by our emergency shelter

# 39

community education  
events coordinated by  
Peace at Home  
advocates

# 75

families who left the  
shelter for safe  
housing

Alice found a counselor and a primary physician to work through her health issues. Although she qualified for our transitional housing program, she wanted to find a place without any outside assistance. She found a job and was able to save up enough money for a security deposit and the first month's rent on an apartment close to her job. She continues to work with an outreach advocate to meet her long term goals of remaining independent and free from violence.



## JOANNA

Joanna and her daughter only stayed for a few days the first time they came to the shelter. They went to stay with some family members out of state but eventually ended up back with her husband, the abuser, to give things another chance. He gradually became more and more abusive. Ultimately she reached back out to Peace at Home in 2015. She was accepted back into the shelter, and immediately began working with her shelter advocate and the legal advocate.

Joanna was able to obtain a 10-year order of protection against her abuser. She also obtained a divorce and received full custody of her daughter. She now has a job and her own place to live with her daughter.

**1163**

HOURS OF DIRECT LEGAL  
ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO  
213 CLIENTS

**131**

ORDERS OF PROTECTION  
AND NO CONTACT ORDERS  
GRANTED

**44**

CLIENTS RECEIVED  
IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE

# Linda



Linda came to shelter 7 months pregnant and looking for safety and security before her abuser was released from jail. The police arrived after an incident where he choked Linda in front of her children and slapped her 6 year old son. She had also experienced emotional, verbal, and financial abuse.

While at Peace at Home, Linda was able to obtain an Order of Protection that included her children. Staff members helped Linda by providing advocacy, counseling referrals, and assistance getting birth certificates and applying for food stamps and public housing. Linda was also an active participant on the Domestic Violence support groups offered at Peace at Home.

# NUMBER OF HOURS COMPLETED BY OVER 70 VOLUNTEERS:

# 1,613

Since Linda was pregnant, but did not have any supplies for her baby, the Junior League of Northwest Arkansas put together a baby shower for her and provided a stroller, car seat, baby clothes, and hygiene items. Linda is now working full time and has brought the children (including her new baby girl) by the shelter a few times to visit.

The Junior League provides invaluable support to the shelter. They are just one of our many important community partners.

# Support and Revenue

Federal Assistance.....	\$311,849
State Assistance.....	\$20,750
Contributions.....	\$1,004,280
InKind Contributions.....	\$157,701
Thrift Store Sales.....	\$166,819
Investment Income.....	\$35,583
Special Events.....	\$61,841
Other.....	\$2,380
	<b>\$1,743,072</b>

# Expenses

• Salaries and Related Benefits.....	\$779,140
• Emergency Client Assistance.....	\$61,073
• Thrift Store Expense.....	\$178,803
• Depreciation.....	\$100,913
• Loss on disposal or abandonment of equipments of improvements.....	\$5,608
• Facility upkeep, maintenance, and operations.....	\$9,695
• Telephone and Utilities.....	\$41,528
• Rent.....	\$36,000
• Insurance.....	\$29,174
• Office Expenses.....	\$20,875
• Training.....	\$7,128
• Professional Fees.....	\$14,073
• Fundraising.....	\$5,677
• Other.....	\$30,476
	<b>\$1,320,163</b>



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