

2021/2022 Annual Impact Report

WOMEN *in* DISTRESS

Thanks to
your support, last year
we provided a record number
of safe shelter nights for survivors
of domestic violence.



Letter from the Board Chair & CEO

Last year we reached a tragic milestone at Women In Distress as we provided a record number of safe shelter nights—over 45,000!—for survivors of domestic violence.

While Women In Distress (WID) is a multi-faceted agency offering survivors of domestic violence a wide array of services, the heart of our work centers on providing safe shelter. As you can see in this Annual Report, we have seen a staggering increase in the number of nights of safe shelter offered to those domestic violence victims who are in the most immediate danger – **over 45,000 nights of safe shelter were provided!** This represents a tragic milestone; a shocking number, and sobering when we realize that the need for our services outpaces our capacity.

You will notice impressive statistics as you review this Impact Report. Staggering numbers of survivors of domestic violence served, crisis hotline calls answered, nights of safe shelter provided, etc. We are continually reminded that **it is our community that makes this work possible.** From incredibly generous local foundations who offer annual support in the hundreds of thousands of dollars to a young man named Brody, who sent a donation to WID as part of his Bar Mitzvah—and everything in between—we are exceedingly grateful that **organizations and individuals in our community demonstrate their care by making it possible for WID to serve domestic violence survivors.** Thank you!

As an agency serving the needs of vulnerable and marginalized members of our community, we are constantly addressing issues both within and outside our control. All of us in South Florida have grown almost numb to the ubiquitous news of the skyrocketing cost of housing. We hear it. We know it. We lament it when we buy a home or rent an apartment. However, for survivors of domestic violence who literally need to start over, lack of permanent housing stands as a huge barrier (and becomes one of the major reasons victims return to abusers). We, as a community, must not allow these victims exiting emergency shelter asking, “now what?” to hear only “good luck” in reply! We must identify transitional and permanent housing solutions—as a community—that allow these individuals to live a full life free of fear.

WID is served by a wonderful volunteer Board of Directors who do an excellent job of assessing the agency’s services of today while helping address the **many challenges to providing services for victims of tomorrow.** The dearth of affordable housing in South Florida; an economic climate that erodes market earnings for funders who rely on market gains to make charitable contributions; recruiting and retaining personnel necessary to serve victims of domestic violence—the challenges are great, but our resolve to **stop domestic violence abuse for everyone through education, intervention, and advocacy is greater!**

Thank you to all those who have invested to **make last year a record breaking success!** We are grateful to serve side-by-side with partners like you who passionately support the needs of our community.



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Linda L. Parker, Ph.D.
President and CEO



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Billie Grieb
Chair, Board of Directors

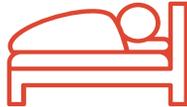
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Our mission is to stop domestic violence for everyone through intervention, education, and advocacy.



2,401 Total Served

45,618 Bed Nights
with an average stay of **88** Nights



21,450 Advocacy, Counseling, and Therapy Hours

12,302 Survivors provided with Crisis Hotline Services



10,196 Police Reports Reviewed
339 Identified as High Lethality



694 survivors were provided with legal assistance through our Injunction for Protection program

502 Education and Prevention Community Events



100% of parents residing in our Emergency Shelter reported an increase in their parenting capabilities following the Empowered Parenting Group.

100% of children that received therapy saw an improvement in behavior after 6 sessions



Over 300 families received holiday food, clothing and gifts

87¢ of every dollar raised went back to programs and services to heal our survivors.

A key measure in our highest possible 4-star Charity Navigator rating



CHARITY NAVIGATOR

Your support provides safety, hope and healing in the most difficult times.

As we work with families, we are more grateful than ever that you are an ally and help us meet the changing needs of survivors of domestic violence.

Revenue	\$8,702,839
Government Grants	\$4,971,990
Gifts, Corporation, Foundations	1,872,454
Thrift Store & Other In-Kind Donations	842,672
Thrift Store Revenue	668,822
Investment Earnings	(266,855)
Special Events	583,652
Other Revenue	54
Capital Campaign Contributions	30,050
Expenses	\$9,072,920
Program Services	\$7,812,008
Management/General	502,513
Fundraising, Events & In-Kind	758,399

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Our community is a source of strength and safety for survivors. Support from our community leaders and Impact Partners is critical to keeping families safe from domestic violence.

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24-Hour Crisis Line

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