



2010 Annual Report

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Changing Lives

The Reality: The vast majority of the families we serve have escaped from their domestic violence abuser with only a few boxes of belongings. If there was time, mom might have added a favorite toy to the box. The children are not only frightened and confused, but often they are angry, frustrated and embarrassed by the stigma of being homeless. Imagine going to school hungry with the same unwashed clothing day-after-day, substandard hygiene, and the inability to complete homework because of their living conditions.

The Solution: In 2010, Exodus Housing helped 43 new families enter transitional housing and to obtain home furnishings. Now these families are sleeping in their own beds, cooking dinner with their own pots and pans, and utilizing the resources provided to maintain their own homes. The children feel more secure and are able to complete assignments and participate in day-to-day school life like their classmates.

Sandy Ramsey
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Empowering Families

My name is Sarah. I have an eight year old daughter, Angela, and a 13-year old son, Allen. I was devastated, alone and scared. There are no words strong enough to capture the fear and desperation a mother feels when she cannot adequately provide for her children. You love them more than anything, they are precious and they deserve the best. It only takes one event, one mistake, a little bad luck, or one missing paycheck to cause a stumble and a downward spiral.

My children and I had what we could fit into the car: our clothing, photo albums, and a few of the kids' favorite toys. When I was accepted at Exodus, you gave us a safe and stable home. We were able to move into our apartment two days before Christmas!! I remember the excitement and happiness I felt as if it were yesterday!

Exodus gave me hope. My caseworker gave me guidance, support and resources. The agency helped us get furniture, school clothes/supplies, Christmas gifts and transportation gas vouchers for my car.

You gave us time to heal. You helped give me my dignity back. You showed me that there is still kindness in the world and to value the importance of community.

It has been 16 months since our journey began and I graduated from the housing program today. I still look around my apartment at all the stuff I have now. We have come so far! I appreciate and value everything so much more now. I have confidence and seek opportunities, continue to learn, grow, improve and life is good. I am reminding my children how far we've come and what we have accomplished. I want them to remember those hard times, in hopes they will grow to be strong and independent, with kindness and love in their heart, and the desire to give and make a difference because there are so many people who need help. Thank you Exodus Housing.

**Names have been changed to preserve confidentiality*

“Now that we are safe,
we can begin our lives
again.”

Sarah, 2011

Research indicates that a lack of financial resources is one of the most commonly given reasons domestic violence victims stay with or return to an abusive partner.

2010 Supporters

Community Partners

Exodus Housing is fortunate to receive the financial support of many different partners. Approximately 70% of our funding is from government cost-reimbursement contracts. Donations from private foundations and trusts, program fees, individual donors, clubs, businesses and churches account for the remainder of funding. Your support enables us to empower homeless families impacted by domestic violence as they gain stability, self-sufficiency and secure permanent housing. Exodus Housing thanks all of our loyal supporters who have given their time, talent, and money during this past year. If we have inadvertently omitted a name or misspelled a name, please accept our apologies. We appreciate your corrections - please call Exodus Housing at 253-862-6808 ext. 102.

Foundations & Trusts

Evergreen Capital Trust
Forest Foundation
Greater Tacoma Community Fund
KeyBank Foundation
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Communities of Faith

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Target
The EXCEL Co.
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Government & Other Contracts

Greater Pierce County Community Network (GPCCN)
King County/THOR
Low Income Housing Institute
Pierce County Violence Prevention
Pierce County/HGAP
Pierce County/SHP
Pierce County/THOR
Tacoma Housing Authority/Next Chapter
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**Contribute Monthly
through your
Workplace Campaign**



Contribute through our Website

www.ExodusHousing.org

Contribute with a check

P.O. Box 1006, Sumner, WA 98390

Contribute your time by volunteering

Call 253-862-6808

WHAT DOES YOUR DONATION DO?

Your gift can make the following impact:

- \$25 - Household cleaning supplies for one unit for one month
- \$50 - Counseling session with case manager
- \$100 - Move-in groceries for one family
- \$216 - Bus pass for three months
- \$250 - Welcome basket of essential needs for a new homeless family in a new apartment
- \$1,000 - One month rent for a family



**The PLUNGE
Against Domestic Violence**

The first annual “Take the Plunge against Domestic Violence” event raised \$7,630. This unique educational fundraising event had people jumping into the frigid water at Lake Tapps as a symbolic gesture of their support and commitment to end family violence. Stopping domestic violence starts with you. The next time you see or learn that someone you know is being abused, let them know they don’t deserve this abuse and that help is available. If you know the abuser, tell him that he is destroying his family and that there is help available.

Event sponsors: Jay Lee’s Honda, Kibble & Prentice and Met Life.

Family Renewal and Empowerment

Next Chapter

Next Chapter, our Family Renewal and Empowerment Program, is a lively, family-centered class delivered in a group setting. Here families can engage in fun interactive and educational activities designed to renew a trusting and respectful relationships between family members. Healthy food, age appropriate group activities, family board games and lots of smiling faces and laughter are generated as each family works towards the goal of establishing and maintaining a strong family core. This program receives funding through private foundations, churches, companies and individual donations.

The curriculum includes subjects like:

- Getting to know each other and beginning to rebuild the family
- Personal safety, developing a safety plan and learning to be strong
- Stress management and resolving conflict peacefully
- Learning personal worth
- Parenting skills
- Understanding and expressing emotions
- Celebrating family accomplishments.

Consider inviting us to speak to your church, service or fraternal organization or school about solutions to reduce domestic violence for the next generation.



Success Story

After attending the *Next Chapter*, my son and I were able to bond and communicate better. I used active listening skills to truly understand and engage with him. I was also able to use the skills I learned to have the confidence to stick up for myself in court against my abuser. My son and I now appreciate the importance of sitting down and eating together. Then we play fun board games together. I was sad to see the class end because it was a weekly thing that my son and I looked forward to very much.

2010 Financial Data

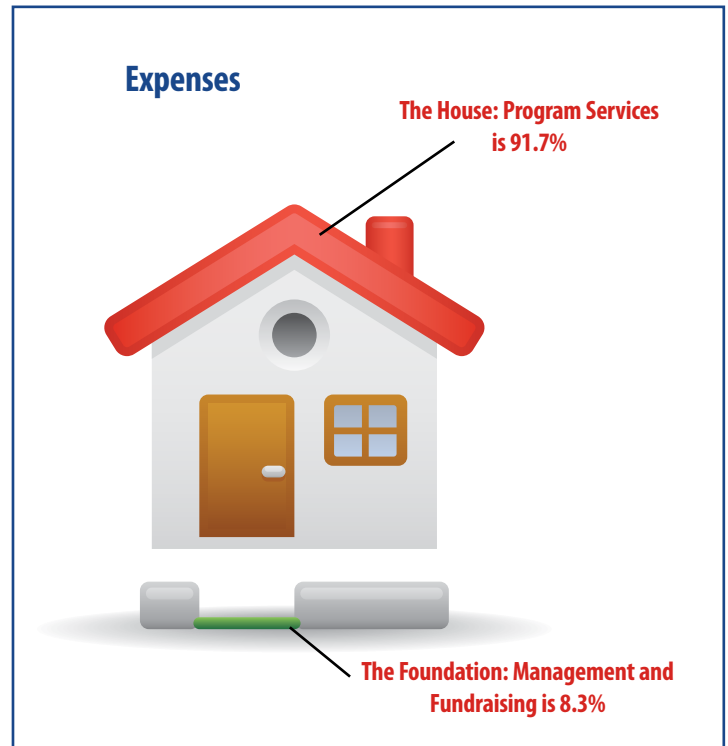
Income by Source

Government Contracts	\$573,375
Foundations and Trusts	\$149,719
United Way of King & Pierce Counties	\$37,457
Program Fees (rent from residents)	\$38,750
Individuals	\$12,267
Communities of Faith	\$7,092
Fundraising Event	\$10,335
Companies and Organizations	\$7,750
Total	\$836,745

Expense by Function

Program Services	\$725,706
Management and General	\$35,617
Fundraising	\$29,935
Total	\$791,258

Net: Income over Expenses **\$45,487**



Exodus Housing 2010 Independent Auditors' Report and Financial Statements will be prepared by Padgett & Padgett Certified Public Accountants in May 2011. A full report can be obtained in June 2011 by contacting our office at 253-862-6808 or visiting our website at www.ExodusHousing.org



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THE PLUNGE Against Domestic Violence

Saturday, October 29 - Allen Yorke Park

Lake Tapps Charity Golf Tournament

Friday, July 29 - Tapps Island Golf Course

Donate online

www.exodushousing.org

Mission of Exodus Housing

Encouraging independence, empowerment and self-sufficiency for homeless families impacted by domestic violence through transitional housing, individualized supportive services and community awareness.

Serving Pierce and South King Counties.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Help our families as they journey on a new path . . .

We have on-going opportunities for volunteers to help in the various areas:

- Essential Needs
- Special Events Assistance
- Welcome Baskets

Items Our Families Are Always In Need Of

- Diapers
- Toilet paper
- Shampoo
- Cleaning supplies
- Gift cards

Contact the staff at 253-862-6808 or info@exodushousing.org.



Welcome Basket for New Families

Help us put together items that needed when a new family moves in - donate online at our website, www.ExodusHousing.org

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM

Total Served 1995-2010

- 304 Families
- 330 Adults
- 552 Children

Total Served 2010

- 87 Families
- 92 Adults
- 161 Children

During 2010

- 91% of our families were homeless due to domestic violence
- 58% of our families were employed or were enrolled in an educational or job training program.
- 84% of our exiting families moved into permanent housing.

2010 NEXT CHAPTER OUTCOMES

(Family Renewal & Empowerment Program)

- 69 families (69 adults and 96 children) graduated from the Next Chapter program
- 50% of all participants reported an increase in their knowledge of how to stay safe in a dangerous situation
- 79.6% of all participant children increased their ability to express their emotions