

COMMUNITY REPORT



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# Saint Martha's

## Shelter

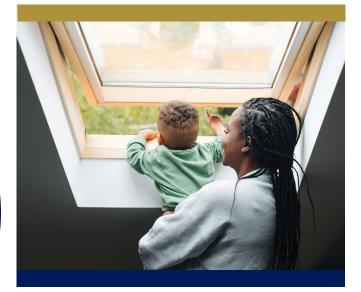
67 women and 77 children = 144 residents

2039 crisis calls

# ○ ☑ Community □ ☑ Education ☑ ☑ Awareness

Youth **67** talks/**1,278** people Adults **72** talks/**171,675** people

> Total: **99** talks **172,953** people



In-person services	
194	In-person visits were provided
75	NEW (unduplicated) women seeking services
276	Hours spent with in-person visits
Phone services	
736	Total phone calls
283	Total hours on calls
<b>How to Help</b> (services to friends and family)	
8	Individuals who came to the center seeking help were seeking help for a loved one.

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Saint Martha's in more than the four walls of the shelter or the drop-in center. It is a belief that if Jesus encountered a woman who had been abused, he would comfort and protect her. He would open his door to her and say, 'Let me walk with you.' "

- Jessica Woolbright, Executive Director, Saint Martha's

## **Client Success Story**

#### Jane-Women's Shelter Program

Jane came to Saint Martha's in fear for her life. Her partner had physically abused her in the presence of others, a red flag indicating his potential lethality and therefore her increased risk. During about a month's time, staff at the drop-in center provided emotional support and safety planning, resulting in Jane deciding to secure and hide copies of important documents, reprogram her house alarm, install the front door camera provided by Saint Martha's, and explore the option of applying for an Order of Protection. However, Jane's safety plan changed when her abuser showed up at her house unexpectedly. It became clear to her and the staff at the drop-in center that while she had made important steps, she now needed to relocate out of her home. Working together with the drop-in center and the shelter, Jane quickly, quietly, and safely entered the shelter. During her time in the shelter, she continued to implement important steps to further her safety and healing, including filing for and receiving an Order of Protection. After just a few weeks in the shelter, Jane expressed that she was emotionally and physically in a better, safer place and was ready to live on her own. She departed the shelter and continues to stay in touch with Saint Martha's.

#### **PURPOSE STATEMENT**

Serving women and children impacted by domestic violence by providing shelter and resources.



### **Volunteer Numbers**

37 hours of direct volunteering
520.5 hours of indirect volunteering
557.5 hours total volunteer hours
28 volunteers

#### Contact

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