



ANNUAL REPORT 2020



LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

To all of those who support Sisters in Shelter,

In the past year, Sisters in Shelter has grown and shifted tremendously in our every shaping world of increasing awareness of human trafficking and domestic violence. With that awareness, also allowing victims of these social issues to recognize their worth in our society and that there are people and organizations willing to help them to heal and grow from their experiences. Our impact both in our direct community and beyond shows the worth of each and every donation, as well as every other show up support.

Our office location has changed, and those who have visited have expressed just how welcoming and empowering the space has become. A huge thanks to our Community Outreach Advisor, Leah Cordy, who took so much time and dedication in envisioning and creating the space to directly reflect the welcoming and empowering nature of Sisters in Shelter on top of her normal job duties and consistent attention to our clients!

Even in these trying and difficult times, the amount of support even beyond that of financially that we receive on a consistent basis is so inspiring and allows us as an organization to continue moving forward and growing for our clients and our community. We at Sisters in Shelter look forward to the coming year and the continued positivity and growth we anticipate, and your continued support is vital in our ability to do so.

Many thanks,

Kjirsten Chevalier

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



OUR MISSION

Our mission is to support survivors and bring to light the extensive issues of Human Trafficking and Domestic Violence, and the need to address it in our own community.

Empowerment.
Hope.
Healing.



REVENUE 2020

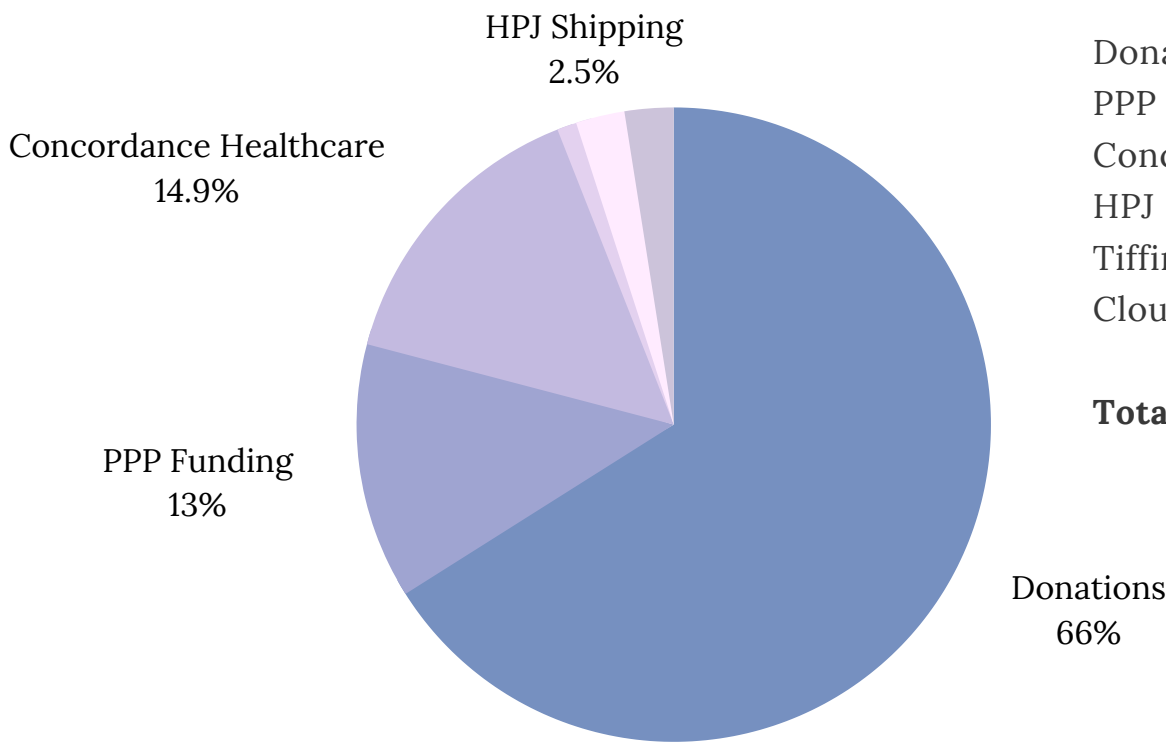


FIGURE 1.

Donations: \$66,300.40
PPP Funding: \$13,093.60
Concordance: \$15,000
HPJ Shipping: \$2,500
Tiffin Metal: \$2,500
Clouse Construction : \$1,000

Total Revenue: \$100,394.00

Thanks to the generous contributions of donors and the establishment of new partnerships, Sisters in Shelter is able to continue to serve our clients in the best way we know how, through empowerment, hope, and healing. We have also applied for several grants, and will continue to do so in the next fiscal year.

EXPENSES 2020

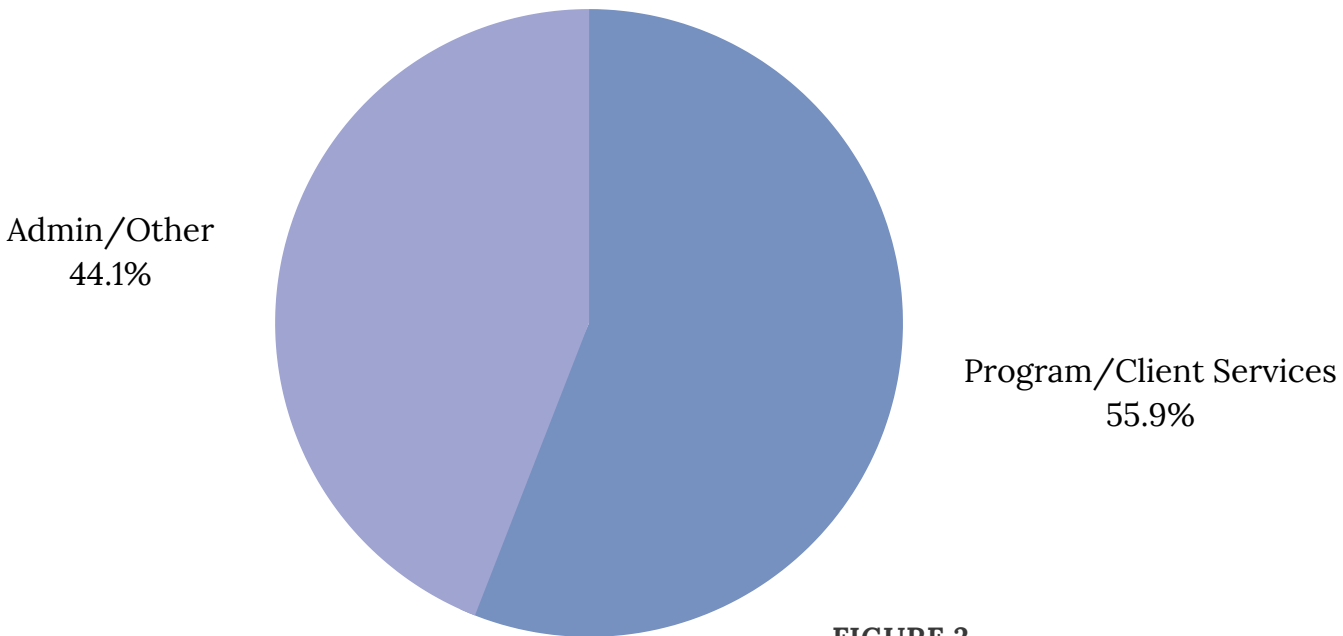


FIGURE 2.

Program/Client Services Expense: \$62,457

Administrative/Other Expenses: \$49,232

Total Expenses: \$111,689

*Other expenses include printing, postage, shipping, marketing, advertising, office supplies/equipment, insurance, license, fees, permits, business expenses, etc.

SURVIVOR STATEMENTS

“SIS saved my life. Without their support, I am not sure I would be here today. I have experience with other shelters, so I can confidently say this one is the best”

“The love and care she received from the women at Sisters in Shelter was truly God sent. And, her recovery is nothing short of a miracle.”

“They have played a huge part in me moving forward.”

“Sisters in Shelter has finally helped me get ahold of my life. For once, I have hope that I can be more than what happened to me.”

"REAL MEN DON'T BUY GIRLS" CAMPAIGN

The "Real Men Don't Buy Girls" campaign is a national campaign and people all over the world have posted photos using the hashtag and holding a sign that says "Real Men Don't Buy Girls." Some of the most famous people that have supported the movement are Ashton Kutcher, Bradley Cooper and Justin Timberlake, but we have been working to photograph local leaders and role models, such as Heidelberg President, Rob Huntington, Mayor Montz, and Chris Chase, the owner of Madison Street Tavern.

The campaign is a way for men to show that they are against human trafficking and are in support of survivors. We often think that the traffickers and pimps are the ones to blame, but they would not have a market if men were not buying the girls they sell. This campaign encourages all men to stand up against sex trafficking and show that they are a "real man" by refusing to participate in this horrific and inhumane business.



NEW LOCATION



In September 2020, we moved from our previous South Washington Street location to a new office in the Laird Building in the center of downtown. This move allowed us to have a more central location in order to easier spread the word about SIS. The move also cut our rent expenses nearly in half. With a coffee station, lending library, and modern feminine art throughout the office, it is welcoming space and an empowering environment to work and meet in.



OTHER PROGRESS

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Our social media following has doubled in the last year on Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn. This has become a key avenue for people to learn about us.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

- We have implemented a new internship program which offers two positions working either on advocacy projects or social work. This allows Tiffin University and Heidelberg students to gain real experience working for a non-profit dedicated to a worldwide issue and assisting staff in which department best suits them and their career goals.

CONCORDANCE PARTNERSHIP

- We have held a partnership with Concordance Healthcare Solutions for several years, but this year they have decided to increase their annual donation from \$10,000 to \$15,000.



OUR 2021 VISION

Goals:

1. **Become financially stable**

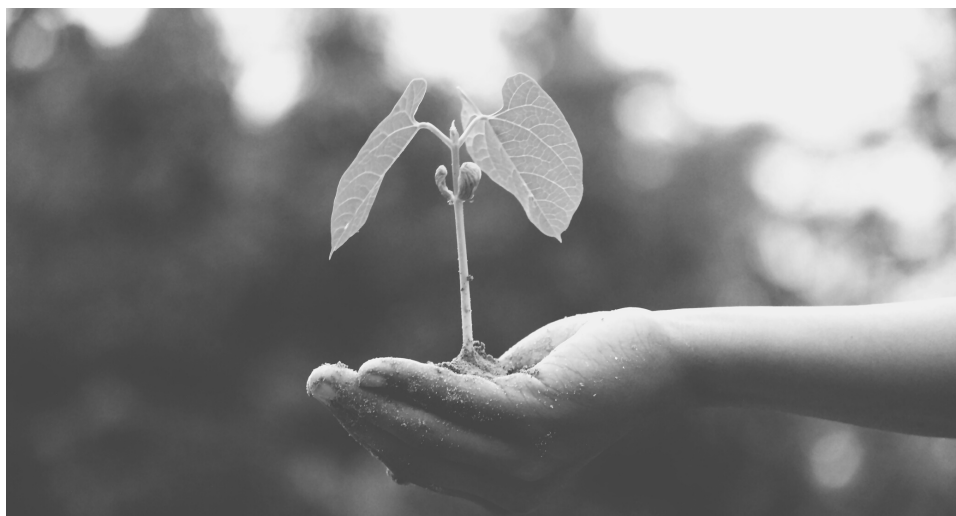
- a. Continue to seek out grants, donors, and fundraising opportunities
- b. Hold our own fundraising events (if COVID allows)
- c. Secure more recurring funding (annual donors, partnerships)

2. **Keep the safe house open and operating**

- a. Secure the funding necessary to allow for this to happen
- b. Continue to work with referral services to accept clients best suited for us

3. **Expand our influence in the community**

- a. Begin trainings with police, hospital workers and hotel staff on human trafficking
- b. Continue our Real Men Don't Buy Girls campaign, and implement other forms of awareness



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