

Another year has flown by on our campus!

While 2021 certainly had its challenges, it was a very meaningful year at STEP2. This year, we celebrated our **35th anniversary**!

Over the last 35 years, with your support, we have provided a safe place for **over 4,500 women** to experience healing, security and hope.

It truly is an honor for us to work with women who are doing the hard work to break the cycle of addiction and violence in their families.

Thank you for sharing our belief that women shouldn't have to choose between being a mom and receiving treatment.

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Mari Hutchinson, CPA Chief Executive Officer



ABOUT US

Since 1986, STEP2 has helped women who are experiencing substance use disorders participate in rehabilitation services. We understand that women experience certain barriers in obtaining services, which is why our mission is to provide gender-specific supportive services to women, women with young children and expectant mothers.

STEP2 was founded on the principle that pregnant and parenting women should not have to choose between being a parent and receiving substance use disorder treatment, and we believe that a continuum of care model should encompass multiple steps to reach and maintain sobriety.

While having children is not a requirement to access treatment at STEP2, approximately 75% of our clients are mothers. STEP2 serves women and children together as a unit for recovery rather than individually. Most of our women are single heads of households, struggling with both addiction and poverty, and caring for dependent children with little family or social support.

Our year-long program includes residential inpatient services at our 20-bed residential facility, outpatient services and transitional housing as well as wraparound services including case management, medical care referrals and coordination, childcare assistance, parenting education, transportation assistance, domestic violence advocacy and education, and on-site mental health assessment, therapy and medication assistance.

Every woman should have the support they seek during their journey to sobriety, and STEP2 is here to help.

When a woman is ready to leave STEP2, she is *clean and sober*, she is gainfully employed, she has reunified with her kids, and she has learned life skills that will allow her to create a better life for herself and her family.



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STORY OF HOPE

My name is Sharon ...

I started using drugs at age 12 to cope with the world I was brought into. If I could title my childhood like a book it would be called "Silent Suffering".

I was abused in every form there is and I believed it was normal.

We were never allowed to have friends, so I never got to see a different home for 10 years of my life. I would get punched in the face by my father and think nothing of it.

My whole world changed when a bunch of cops kicked in our front door throwing my mother and my father down on the ground and hand cuffing them. I can remember a woman in a pantsuit herding my 3 sisters and I into the back room telling us to start packing clothes. I kept asking "why" while crying and never got an answer. If my grandmother would not have taken us, we would have all been split up into foster homes.

After that day, I had learned that my life wasn't okay and what was happening was sick and wrong,

I attempted suicide multiple times after confirmation of my life being horrible. I was institutionalized for a little over a year of my life after that. They only let me go because I was beginning to be facilitated, and I felt too safe and comfortable there. I turned to drugs, so I wasn't constantly cutting up my arms and legs all the time. Drugs ruined my life in the long run, but they also saved my life back then. If I hadn't started using to deal with my life and everything that came with it, I would have killed myself a long time ago.

Doing drugs was the only way I knew how to survive.

My drug use progressed into new different drugs and once meth entered my life, my whole world revolved around it. I couldn't even attend my best friend's funeral without being high. I lived on the streets at 18. I sold my body and did everything I could for that drug. I ended up replacing meth with pills, alcohol, and marijuana. I ended up getting into trouble with the law when I was 20 and had to get a drug and alcohol evaluation and I failed. I stopped smoking weed, but I drank everyday staying miserable. Not knowing how to leave an abusive relationship because I would have been homeless. I ended up becoming an I.V. user with pills and lost control hating myself and my life.

I came forward and said that I was using and that I needed help. I walked out of the place I was living and became homeless, alone, and scared. My sister took me in until I could come to STEP2. I never thought I could be where I am today. I never thought I could deal with my past without drugs. **STEP2 saved my life.** I never thought I would be capable of loving myself and looking forward to my future and what life can offer.

For the first time in my entire life, I'm ready to live.

SERVICES & PROGRAMS

REDFIELD RESIDENTIAL FACILITY

While each client follows a separate, individualized treatment plan, the average stay in our Redfield Residential Facility is approximately 10-12 weeks. Clients live in dormitory style rooms and engage in supervised social, therapeutic and creative activities at the residence. Clients spend 30+ hours per week engaged in therapeutic activity (groups or one-on-one counseling) at STEP2's Mathewson Family Counseling Center.

Groups topics include:

- Addiction Education/Relapse Prevention
- Domestic Violence Education & Prevention
- Parenting in Recovery (including newborn care and lactation consulting)
- Seeking Safety
- Healthy Relationships/Communication
- Anger Management
- Trauma Education
- Comprehensive Life Skills
- Nutrition

Community service is encouraged, and clients are given the opportunity to exercise and are encouraged to walk the campus regularly.

When clients near the end of residential treatment, they attend an employment development program where they take interest, skill and personality assessments, build resumes, learn interview skills and have access to interview clothing. All clients who complete this program create a professional resume and are provided transportation for their job search and interviews.







SERVICES & PROGRAMS

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EDUCATION & PREVENTION

Approximately 97% of the women who seek services through STEP2 report being the victim of domestic and/or sexual violence. The staggering numbers of domestic violence victims with co-occurring substance addictions demand seamless access to quality treatment, prevention and support services.

STEP2 provides outreach and education to agencies, facilities and rural areas, assisting victims in breaking barriers, such as social stigma, poverty, child custody and violence to end the cycle of abuse and addiction. Through intensive oneon-one, group therapies and appropriate community referrals, victims will receive evidence based, holistic and dynamic treatment.

INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT & OUTPATIENT SERVICES

STEP2's intensive outpatient and outpatient services are designed to provide women living in the local community with the skills and support to maintain sobriety and assist them with getting back on track. Our client-centered practices are gender-specific and focus on issues that impact women during their recovery journey.

Our core groups (listed below) assist them in developing the skills necessary to live independent and healthier lives.

- Parenting
- Overcoming Trauma
- Domestic Violence Education & Prevention
- Planning for Recovery
- Relapse Prevention

PREGNANT AT STEP2

Clients that enter treatment pregnant receive individual case management to include:

- Transportation to doctor appointments
- Access to WIC, TANF & car seats
- Referrals to Wanda's Closet & Diaper Bank
- Residential clients reside in maternity dorm rooms with private bathrooms

Once a pregnant woman has delivered, she is offered lactation support, infant care support and sleep safety information.



Breaking the cycle of addiction and violence in families

SERVICES & PROGRAMS

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING



STEP2's Transitional Housing (the Lighthouse Campus) has 25 cottages ranging from one to three bedrooms.

Once a woman has successfully completed residential treatment, she is eligible for STEP2's Transitional Housing program. A woman and her children have the opportunity to move into a fully furnished home (furnished entirely by community donations), and upon successful completion of treatment, she will take all of the furnishings with her.

Women living on the Lighthouse Campus receive case management services to address monthly budgets, schedule, child care, resources and future housing. Residents form a "Community Council" and are responsible for maintaining a healthy and active community, as well as giving back in the form of peer mentorship to residential clients and community service through maintaining the campus and garden.







2021 BY THE NUMBERS



women accessed treatment 71% were homeless

Those women had

minor children 46% had CPS involvement



came to us pregnant



average age

Our -

did not complete high school

completed high school or received their GED



31% completed some college



reported no occupation

referral source was women self-admitting

2021 BY THE NUMBERS

reported meth as their primary drug alcohol 38% • heroin/opiates 15% • other 8%

AGE OF FIRST USE:

- Youngest was 8-years-old
- 41% under the age of 16
- Average age was 18-years-old



had a history of recent overdose



reported a history of domestic violence

62% physical abuse 49% sexual abuse

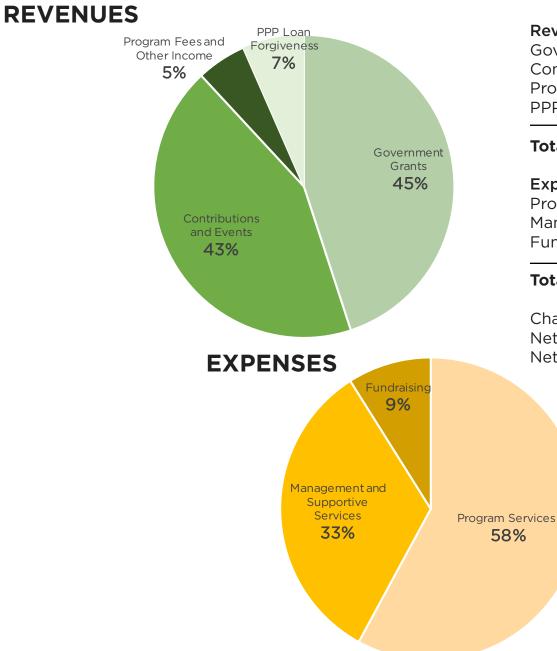
were IV users

17%

reported participating in sex industry

of those receiving domestic violence support report an increase in their perceived level of safety

2021 FINANCIALS



STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Revenues Government Grants (City, State, and Federal) Contributions and Events Program Fees and Other Income PPP Loan Forgiveness	\$ 1,308,017 \$ 1,254,835 \$ 155,331 \$ 192,100
Total Revenues	\$2,910,283
Expenses Program Services Management and Supportive Services Fundraising	\$ 1,221,819 \$ 697,537 \$ 189,311
Total Expenses	\$2,108,667
Change in Net Assets Net Assets, Beginning of Year Net Assets, End of Year	\$801,616 \$8,681,641 \$9,483,257













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For the fifth year, The Builders Association Charity (BAC), the charitable arm of The Builders Association, has supported us through their Annual Cottage Makeover project.

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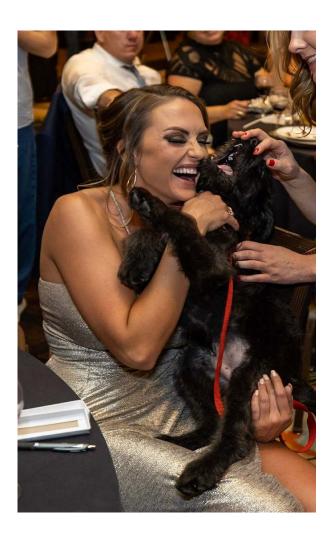
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