



**HOUSE OF RUTH**  
**2010-2011**  
**Annual Report**

# The “Houses” of Ruth

*(Reflects daily capacity.)*

## Comprehensive Services and Housing for Women

### **Madison/ Empowerment Center**

50 Women/Comprehensive Services and Transitional Housing

### **Unity**

25 Women/Comprehensive Services and Transitional Housing

### **New Beginnings**

10 Women/Comprehensive Services and Transitional Housing

### **New Pathways**

10 Women/Comprehensive Services and Open-ended Housing

### **Three Sisters**

14 Women/Comprehensive Services and Open-ended Housing

## Comprehensive Services and Housing for Families

### **Freedom Place**

13 Families/Comprehensive Services and Transitional Housing

### **Herspace**

13 Families/Comprehensive Services and Transitional Housing

### **A New Way**

12 Families/Comprehensive Services and Transitional Housing

### **Reunified Families**

13 Families/Comprehensive Services and Transitional Housing

### **FamilySpace**

11 Families/Comprehensive Services and Open-ended Housing

### **Hope Rising**

12 Families/Comprehensive Services and Open-ended Housing

## Community-based Services

### **Domestic Violence Support Center**

200 Women and Children (caseload)  
Counseling, Case Management and Outreach

### **Kidspace Child and Family Development Center**

76 Children and their Families (Developmental Interventions, Case Management, Day Care)

# In Gratitude

Thank you so much for helping the women and children who are at House of Ruth! Thanks to you, and thousands of other donors, we were able to sustain all of our housing and services throughout 2010, despite the recession.

As you can well imagine, demand is high and growing for our housing and services. On any given day, House of Ruth is actively working with more than 600 women and children at our 13 locations in the city. All were homeless or abused when they came to us. Now, with your help, they are making progress toward safe and stable lives.

Eleven locations provided service-enriched housing to 114 families and 193 women in 2010. At all of these residential programs we intensified our services, generating more contact between our staff and the women and children. Through these purposeful, therapeutic interactions, our staff encouraged the women and children to adopt healthy new behaviors that led to greater safety and stability.

Throughout the year, our *Domestic Violence Support Center* staff provided skilled, free psychotherapy to more than 400 women and children who have been affected by domestic violence.

We're also proud to report that *Kidspace*, our developmental day care center, was re-accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children—a testament to the quality of services we provide there.

Domestic violence, homelessness, childhood abuse and neglect—the women and children at House of Ruth faced daunting challenges before coming here. And yet, because of your support, we were able to provide an array of services and nurturing, supportive housing that helped them to turn their lives around.

Thank you again for giving so generously to help the women and children at House of Ruth. They need and deserve your support.

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# Housing and Services for Women

During 2010, a total of 193 women called House of Ruth home. They lived at our five residential programs, *Madison*, *New Beginnings*, *New Pathways*, *Three Sisters* and *Unity*.

Underlying all of their issues (homelessness, mental illness, domestic violence and addiction) was a common experience of neglect and abuse in early childhood that threw their healthy development off course. Most of the women continued to be abused throughout their lives, until they came to House of Ruth.

As always, we provided the women with safe and nurturing home environments and connected them with many resources to help them address the challenges in their lives. Our staff used many daily interactions infused with respect and caring to form a therapeutic relationship with each woman.

We also continued to learn and applied our new knowledge to our work with the women by adopting new strategies for working with people affected by abuse and neglect in early childhood. For instance, our staff is spending more time with each woman to help her acquire the developmental abilities she didn't get as a child, such as forging healthy relationships and acquiring skills for identifying and coping with her emotions.

Staff introduced many positive activities that helped the women develop a sense of belonging and mastery, such as singing, dancing, cooking, and arts and crafts. We also stepped up our use of tools such as yoga and meditation to help the women develop the capacity to soothe and calm themselves, rather than being consumed by anger or anxiety.

On any given day, 109 women are living at House of Ruth. Thanks to your support, they are progressing toward greater safety and stability than they have ever known before.





I'm very grateful this place exists. Before I was staying in a place that was so dangerous I was terrified. I was so scared I couldn't sleep. I feel safe at House of Ruth. I've been at other day programs and in comparison to them, the staff puts a lot of thought and effort into our groups; they are really relevant and dynamic. And the staff is never condescending, they treat the women here with respect and caring.

—House of Ruth Resident

# Housing and Services for Families

During 2010, 114 families found a safe and nurturing home at our six residential programs: *A New Way*, *FamilySpace*, *Freedom Place*, *Herspace*, *Hope Rising* and *Reunified Families*.

As with the single women we serve, nearly all of the mothers were neglected and abused from infancy until they came to House of Ruth. The early childhood neglect and abuse prevented the women from attaining their developmental milestones and triggered the daunting challenges they face as adults—mental illness, domestic violence, substance abuse and homelessness. Their children were born into chaotic surroundings that compromised their development as well.

Despite so many challenges, the women and children possess resiliency and strengths that our staff

helps them build upon to establish lives that are far more safe and stable than the past. With the mothers facing even tougher job and housing markets, we intensified our efforts to help them secure employment and get on every possible list for permanent housing.

We connected each mother with many services and supports to help her and her children. The staff used a variety of methods to forge a positive, therapeutic relationship with each mother and child. Through these relationships, our staff encouraged the mothers and children to grow and change in positive ways.

Throughout 2010, we increased the frequency and duration of our staff's interactions with each mother and her children. As well as one-on-one interactions, the staff engaged the families in many new activities designed to strengthen the therapeutic relationship and build each person's sense of mastery and belonging.

Arts and crafts, dance, singing and yoga helped the women and children express themselves, manage their anxiety and emotions, and form positive bonds with one another. We also provided more on-site therapy to the women and children to help them build their coping skills.

Every day, 76 families are working toward safety and stability at House of Ruth—thanks to your help.



I am so thankful for this safe environment for me and my children. My case manager and the other staff really care about us and they're helping me get my confidence back. I'm motivated now to move on and do better for my family. I've finished my GED and now I'm taking a course in phlebotomy. In 10 weeks, I'll be qualified for a decent job.

—House of Ruth Resident



## Community-Based Services

House of Ruth further extends its services by offering two community-based programs: *Kidspace*, our child and family development center; and the *Domestic Violence Support Center*, where we provide psychotherapy to survivors of domestic violence.

We're very proud that in 2010 *Kidspace* won re-accreditation from NAEYC, the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The accreditation speaks to the high quality of developmental day care provided at *Kidspace*, which served more than 100 children (ages five years and younger) and their parents last year.

An enriched curriculum and cheery, nurturing surroundings helped the children achieve their developmental milestones, although they arrived with significant delays across all the developmental domains. Classroom work was enhanced with speech and language therapy,

psychotherapy and occupational therapy to help children overcome severe developmental delays.

Staff worked to involve parents more at *Kidspace*. The increased interaction between parents and the teachers and therapists helped strengthen the impact of the services at *Kidspace*.

In 2010, the therapists at our *Domestic Violence Support Center* provided free psychotherapy to more than 400 women and children from diverse racial and socio-economic groups who had been affected by domestic violence. Therapy helped the women and children learn to cope more effectively with the effects of abuse. The therapists also helped the women address practical challenges in their lives, such as securing safe housing, medical treatment, legal aid, child care and/or employment.

For most of the women we served at the *Support Center*, domestic violence has been a life-long experience. They were born into families where violence—instead of nurturance—was the norm and have had to deal with the effects of childhood abuse and neglect as well as domestic violence.

All of our therapists are licensed clinicians, with either master's or doctoral degrees, as well as advanced training and experience in assisting victims of trauma.





**W**e've been here for about a year and that whole time my two boys have gone to Kidspace. They've really helped my kids. The speech and language therapy has them talking so much better now. My eldest sees Ms. Rachel for play therapy and he's so much calmer now. I didn't realize the effects on my children of the violence; I thought they were too young to understand, but just being around it hurt them too. Now they get the support they need at Kidspace and come home to a safe place.

*—House of Ruth Resident*



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Whenever I hear a horrible story about people who are down on their luck, no support system to speak of, all alone and heading down, I wonder how they are going to pull themselves back up. I wonder how it is that some of us can be so unlucky to have been born into a situation that will barely prepare us to live a satisfying life, and how others of us have been born into a supportive community. I often wonder how one person's path in life allows them to cross into fertile land, and another's will take them to the desert. The more I think about it, the more I feel that life is like a lottery. I got lucky, and for as many ones like me around, there are just as many unlucky people.

Being lucky, I feel like I have a responsibility to help someone who isn't so lucky. However, I won't kid myself; I am not good at social work, at lifting people up, at bringing out the best in someone who has been dealt the worst. I have a lot to offer the world in my profession and I am an important member of my family, but I'm pretty sure I would be of no use to a stranger who needs basic life help.

But there are people who can help, and I can help by giving them money to do their work. House of Ruth does this. I believe that the people leading House of Ruth are competent, realistic, honest and dedicated to their work. I visited their homes and I read about their programs and I decided that this is a good answer for me.

—Kaili Mang Jeyarajah

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I support the House of Ruth to give those who are less fortunate an opportunity to live in an environment where they feel safe and cared for. House of Ruth helps these women by sheltering and educating them and helping them become productive members of society. I give to House of Ruth because everyone deserves a chance.

—Barbara Steiner



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We are so very glad to be able to support the House of Ruth. On a recent visit to one of the safe, supportive and welcoming homes the House of Ruth maintains for families in crisis, we were impressed with the organization's commitment to the holistic well being of the women and children with whom they work. We had the clear sense that the caring staff of the House of Ruth honors the inherent worth and dignity of each person who comes through their doors, no matter what their life story, and works compassionately to meet their individual needs. There are no shortcuts to this kind of work, and no way to automate it. It is simply time intensive, and people intensive. We treasure the House of Ruth's commitment to establishing the compassionate human connections that are critical to building healthy families and healthier communities. Thank you so much for all you do, and for giving us the opportunity to support your work.

—Cheryl Cole Dodwell, LMT

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*in honor of Karen Mayers*

I began supporting House of Ruth because I wanted to help women in our area who have very great needs and nowhere else to turn. House of Ruth assists these women and their families with a variety of thoughtfully-run programs. When I visited one of the group homes for single women that House of Ruth has created, I was very impressed by its amazing program coordinator. She lovingly guides a group of women through the daily challenges of life, teaching them how to live in a shared apartment, buy furniture, manage a small budget, take public transportation, go on occasional field trips for fun, and feel, finally, like part of a family.

—Susan Kristol



**T**he more I learn about the House of Ruth, the greater my desire to support its mission. On my first visit to a House of Ruth site, a resident said “The House of Ruth saved my life, and saved my kids lives.” It is this commitment, not only to helping people, but to breaking the cycle of poverty, abuse and neglect that can pass from generation to generation, that makes the work of the House of Ruth so meaningful.

—Carl Northrop, Board Member

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and Zach Teutsch

Here in Washington, it's easy to focus on national or international problems, and the very large amounts of money involved in addressing those problems. But it's important not to overlook the issues in our own backyard, many of which can be effectively addressed with more manageable amounts. I am pleased to be able to support House of Ruth because of its effectiveness in changing lives locally, where my support can make a difference.

—Laura Peebles

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION:**

Gifts for the Homeless  
National Network to End  
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Verizon Foundation

**SPECIAL THANKS:**

Emily Coccia  
Frager's Hardware  
Christopher Hammond  
My Karma Yoga  
Barbara Steiner  
The Village Green



# Statements of Financial Position

June 30, 2010 and 2009

| <b>ASSETS</b>                                      | <b>2010</b>         | <b>2009</b>         |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>                             |                     |                     |
| Cash and cash equivalents                          |                     |                     |
| Cash and cash equivalents                          | \$ 1,157,097        | \$ 1,437,274        |
| Residential deposits—cash held on behalf of others | <u>104,981</u>      | <u>122,919</u>      |
| Total cash and cash equivalents                    | 1,262,078           | 1,560,193           |
| Receivables:                                       |                     |                     |
| Grants and contracts                               | 594,630             | 719,004             |
| Contributions, current portion                     | <u>2,709</u>        | <u>46,589</u>       |
| Total receivables                                  | 597,339             | 765,593             |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets                  | <u>87,063</u>       | <u>191,151</u>      |
| Total current assets                               | 1,946,480           | 2,516,937           |
| <b>Security deposits</b>                           | 8,266               | —                   |
| <b>Property and equipment</b>                      | <u>6,545,583</u>    | <u>6,363,536</u>    |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                                | <u>\$ 8,500,329</u> | <u>\$ 8,880,473</u> |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>                  |                     |                     |
| <b>LIABILITIES:</b>                                |                     |                     |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses              | \$305,324           | \$322,828           |
| Accrued annual leave                               | 175,304             | 159,980             |
| Residential deposits                               | 104,981             | 122,919             |
| Notes payable, current portion                     | <u>7,011</u>        | <u>229,878</u>      |
| Total Current Liabilities                          | 592,620             | 835,605             |
| <b>Notes payable, long term</b>                    | <u>15,054</u>       | <u>863,845</u>      |
| Total liabilities                                  | 607,674             | 1,699,450           |
| <b>NET ASSETS:</b>                                 |                     |                     |
| Unrestricted:                                      |                     |                     |
| Undesignated                                       | 6,892,655           | 5,781,023           |
| Board designated                                   | <u>1,000,000</u>    | <u>1,400,000</u>    |
| Total unrestricted                                 | 7,892,655           | 7,181,023           |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>            | <u>\$8,500,329</u>  | <u>\$8,880,473</u>  |

# Statement of Activities

For the Year ended June 30, 2010 with Comparative Totals for 2009

|                                      | 2010<br>Unrestricted | 2009<br>Total       |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>REVENUE AND SUPPORT:</b>          |                      |                     |
| Contributions                        | \$ 3,667,975         | \$ 3,412,946        |
| Federal grants                       | 1,726,276            | 1,508,558           |
| Contracts                            | 2,539,805            | 3,046,503           |
| Gain on sale of property             | 622,683              | —                   |
| Other revenue                        | 93,584               | 139,848             |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT</b>     | <b>8,650,323</b>     | <b>8,107,855</b>    |
| <b>EXPENSES:</b>                     |                      |                     |
| Program Services:                    |                      |                     |
| Housing and services for women       | 2,182,536            | 2,164,147           |
| Housing and services for families    | 3,226,305            | 2,879,180           |
| Community-based services             | 1,731,599            | 1,667,445           |
| Total program services               | 7,140,440            | 6,710,772           |
| Supporting Services:                 |                      |                     |
| Management and general               | 332,150              | 305,326             |
| Fundraising                          | 466,101              | 453,937             |
| Total supporting services            | 798,251              | 759,263             |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                | <b>7,938,691</b>     | <b>7,470,035</b>    |
| <b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>          | <b>711,632</b>       | <b>637,820</b>      |
| <b>NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b> | <b>7,181,023</b>     | <b>6,543,203</b>    |
| <b>NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR</b>       | <b>\$7,892,655</b>   | <b>\$ 7,181,023</b> |

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*as of June 1, 2011*

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