

The Impact You Make Through Shalom



2016 Annual Re- port



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Our Mission

The Shalom Community Center is dedicated to aiding and empowering people experiencing homelessness and poverty in South Central Indiana.

Our Vision

Shalom Community Center envisions a community that honors every person's fundamental right to sustenance, a safe home, quality health care, and meaningful work. We see ourselves as a key leader in providing the full range of support and services for people dealing with poverty and homelessness in South Central Indiana.

Our Values

HOSPITALITY: We extend community beyond the margins to include those unserved by society. We invite all people into our safe and welcoming space. Recognizing the many challenges our guests struggle with on a daily basis, we place as few barriers as possible between our guests and our services and resources.

DIGNITY: We value the worth and dignity of every person, treating all with compassion and respect. We honor the lives, concerns, and stories of people who have been marginalized by society and expect our staff, volunteers, and guests to do the same.

EMPOWERMENT: We strive to increase the economic and social strength of people in need. We help people develop confidence in their own capacities. We support people to make choices that improve the quality of their lives.

HOPE: We believe in the possibility each person possesses to create a sustainable, healthy and happy life. We work to nurture that hope in all people.

“Some believe it is only great power that can hold evil in check, but that is not what I have found. It is the small everyday deeds of ordinary folk that keep the darkness at bay. Small acts of kindness and love.” - JRR Tolkien



Hunger, homelessness, and poverty hit our community hard.

Monroe County has one of the highest poverty rates and costs-of living in Indiana.

On any given night in Bloomington, over 300 people experience homelessness with nearly half coming from families with children.

One in six Monroe County residents don't know where their next meal is coming from.

One in four Bloomington children live in poverty.

In an age where much seems under threat and problems seem too vast for any one of us to handle, I am reminded of the opportunity to have an impact right here in our local communities.

Shalom is a local organization, working on a local problem, with our neighbors and for our neighbors.

This brief document honors all of you who value those “small everyday deeds of ordinary folk that keep the darkness at bay.”

Those small, powerful acts of kindness and love.

With gratitude to you,

Forrest

Rev. Forrest Gilmore, Executive Director

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Why We Do It: **A Shalom Story of Success**

“Out there on the streets...I felt like I was... crossing a creek of stones and I didn’t have a stone to step on and if I took that step I was going to drown.”

For more than 6 years, Karen lived without a home because it felt like the safest place to be.

First molested at the age of 3, she was sexually abused throughout her life. And later, in response to that lifelong trauma, she spent 12 years in an abusive marriage.

Eventually, it all became too much.

She described herself at the time: “I went a little crazy...I didn’t even know my favorite color anymore. To allow someone to strip you and to not even realize they have taken your entire being and just manipulated you... Thank God I got out and ran for my life. I opted to stay in the woods as much as I could.”

Karen struggled with depression, substance abuse, and of course, the repercussions of trauma.

Eventually emerging from the woods, she found shelter and sanctuary at Shalom.

Shalom offered her food, daytime and overnight shelter, assistance with ID, health insurance, medication, and eventually housing and a job. But perhaps, most of all, Shalom offered her the care she needed to heal and rise.

She said, “Without Shalom I would still be out on the streets... I’d still be squatting woods to woods or couch to couch... There was no hope. There was just nothing... With Shalom’s support, I stepped to the next stone and I made my way across that creek. And I now have a job. I have a home. I have a cat. I have a boyfriend. I have peace. I have a life.”



Karen Jessie was homeless for more than 6 years. She now has a home and works as the custodian at Shalom.

Voices of Support

"I'm grateful that we have this place because... it's changed my whole life... I have a home now. And I'm getting a future. And I'm getting ready to get a job... You guys have been so wonderful to me. I'm very grateful."

– Cathy Jo. Sprinkle

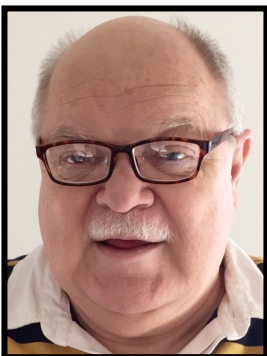
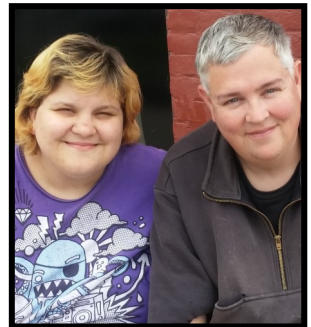


"I asked the Lord to give someone to help me and Shalom appeared in front of me."

– Raynell Canada with son Darnell

"Shalom motivated us to move further in life. They pushed us toward Friend's Place and reached out to us... I've got a job interview now at Chipotle and I'm doing a job fair at Kroger. Shalom opened their arms and reached out."

- Jamie & Charles Monroe



I never dreamed in my wildest dreams that something like [homelessness] would happen to me... I can't say it enough, but I'm really grateful... Thank God for [Shalom] because I don't know what would have happened to me."

- Dennis Elkins

YOUR 2016 Impact By The Numbers

At the CENTER

Hunger Relief & Life Essentials

74,604 meals
2,249 sleep-days
2,808 loads of laundry
247 IDs
5,055 showers

Case Management

9,106 casework counseling sessions
206 households helped with rent or utilities
192 people helped with prescriptions
187 people helped with health insurance payments
53 homeless people reunited with out-of-town families

Beyond the Walls

Homelessness Case Management

- 359 people without homes assisted
- 40% of clients increased their income
- 65% moved into permanent housing

Street Outreach

- 224 people living on the streets assisted
 - 36% of clients increased in income
 - 49% moved into permanent housing

Rapid Re-Housing

- Moved 110 households into homes, including 46 families
- Housed 221 formerly homeless people, including 82 children

Housing First/Crawford Homes

- Provides homes for 62 formerly homeless people with disabilities, including 12 children
- 91% maintained their homes for at least 1 year
 - 39% of residents improved their income
 - Near 100% have health insurance

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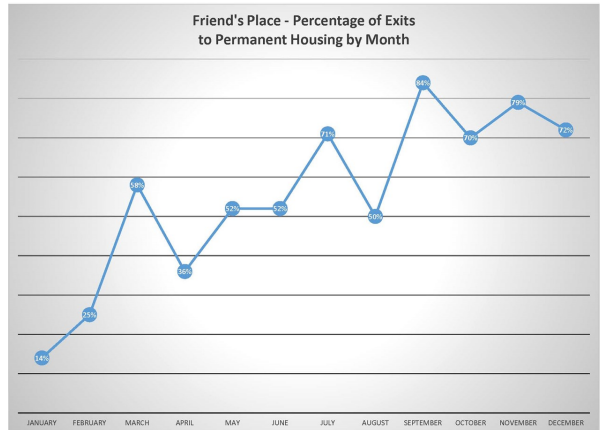
Friend's Place

In 2016, Shalom had its first full year of managing the Friend's Place shelter, a 40 bed, sober, emergency shelter, once known as Martha's House.

In 2016, Friend's Place:

- Sheltered 211 people experiencing homelessness
- 61% of the residents improved their income during their stay
- 62% moved out of the shelter into permanent housing (the statewide average for exits to permanent housing is 33%)

Inheriting the old staff and program, Shalom hired a Director in February and fully implemented its program in April. Showing great improvement, the exits to permanent housing jumped from 14% in January to an average of 76% in the last 4 months of the year.



GRAND TOTAL

In 2016, you, the supporters of Shalom, made it possible through all of Shalom's programs to house or prevent homelessness for:

728 people

Our Financial Supporters

We are so grateful to all those who have offered their generous financial support to help our most vulnerable citizens.

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Our Volunteer Supporters

Volunteers are absolutely essential to Shalom Community Center's mission. In 2016, 1,581 volunteers completed 17,955 hours of service. We are truly a volunteer-driven organization. We offer a special thanks to these heroes who volunteered more than 50 hours last year.

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- ◆ Monroe County Commissioners
- ◆ Perry Township
- ◆ Psi Iota Xi
- ◆ United Way of Monroe County
- ◆ US Department of Housing & Urban Development
- ◆ Van Buren Township

2016 Revenue & Expense Summary*

Revenue

Financial Grants & Contributions:	
Individuals	\$374,859
Government	\$935,332
Faith Communities	\$31,791
Non-profit & Other Organizations	\$5,875
Foundations	\$51,907
Businesses	\$27,336
Total Financial Grants & Contributions	\$1,427,100
Other Financial Receipts	\$77,044
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In-kind Contributions	\$202,223
Value of Volunteer Time	\$385,458
Total Revenue	\$2,091,825
Net Assets	\$645,740

Expenses

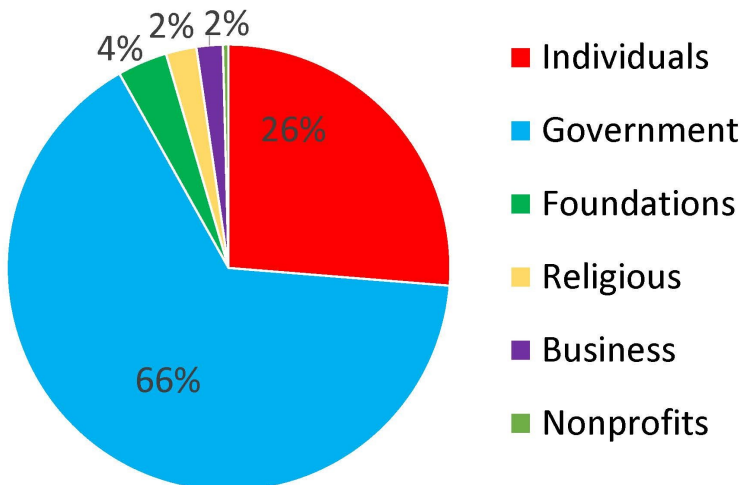
Value of Volunteer Time	\$385,458
Salaries, Benefits & Taxes	\$588,426
Hunger Relief	\$177,987
Guest Services & Supplies	\$576,662
Utilities	\$24,777
Interest & Bank Fees	\$17,166
Professional Fees & Insurance	\$18,050
Property Maintenance & Building Improvements	\$17,964
Fundraising & Communications	\$19,233
Office Supplies & Equipment	\$7,971
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$9,502
Mortgage Reduction	\$6,594
Transfer to Reserves	\$242,038

Total Expenses

\$2,091,825

* These numbers are not audited.

2016 Donation Sources





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How You Can Help

Through your continued support of Shalom, you can make a major difference in the lives of many people struggling with extreme poverty.

Give:

To support us financially, you can give online by credit card at www.shalomcommunitycenter.org or you can mail a check to:

Shalom Community Center
PO Box 451
Bloomington, IN 47402-0451

Volunteer:

To offer your time and talent, contact our Volunteer Coordinator at volunteer@shalomcommunitycenter.org or (812) 334-5734 x23.

Donate:

If you'd like to donate some items to support our clients, we are often in need of hygiene products, bus tickets, diapers, backpacks, and more. To see our full wish list, visit us online at www.shalomcommunitycenter.org.

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