

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROJECTS NEAR COMPLETION IN SPITE OF GLOBAL PANDEMIC

SHEFFIELD PLACE EVENTS

Mark your calendars for Sheffield Place events this year!

- **Golf Tournament**—Fri, June 25, Shoal Creek Golf Course. Registration and breakfast at 8 a.m. Shotgun start at 9 a.m. Awards lunch at 3 p.m. For more information visit www.SheffieldPlace.com
- **VIP Breakfast & Tour**—Tue, July 20, 7:45 to 9 a.m. please RSVP
- **VIP Lunch & Tour** – Wed, July 21, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., please RSVP
- **Dedication of New Building** – Sept 9, 10 a.m.
- **Off the Wall** – Sat, Oct 16 from 5:30 to 11 p.m. Municipal Auditorium
- **VIP Breakfast & Tour**—Tue, Nov 9, 7:45 to 9 a.m. please RSVP
- **VIP Lunch & Tour** – Tue, Wed, Nov 17, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., please RSVP
- **Holiday Open House and Bazaar** – Wed, Dec 1, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch in the decorated lobby, tours, handicrafts.

Volunteers are needed to help with these and other events. Contact dhanzlick@sheffieldplace.org or (816)483-9927 ext. 113.

EXPANSION CONTINUES

Over the past decade, Sheffield Place has dramatically expanded the number of families it serves each year and the scope, intensity, and effectiveness of the services it offers.

In 2020, the agency served a total of 131 families (324 clients) with residential and aftercare services. In 2010, by contrast, the agency served only 20 families.

The addition of the renovated convent building will allow the agency to serve even more families in the future. By 2022, Sheffield Place envisions serving 172 families. These families participate in 25 hours of services, including therapy, case management, and life skills training groups - addiction recovery, positive parenting, financial management, job searching, healthy relationships, and many more.

Through the generosity of the community, renovation of the convent will conclude in February. Renovations will then begin on the kitchens and bathrooms of the living units in the main facility.

DEMAND EXCEEDS CAPACITY

Sheffield Place received 753 calls in 2020 from mothers seeking services. The agency was able to admit just 98 of those families into the residential services program or 13 percent of the demand.

The call volume represents a decrease from the 1023 calls received in 2019. Reasons for the decrease include increased income from COVID relief programs that provided some financial stability or delayed the loss of housing and decreased referrals due to the closing or reduction in services by referring agencies.



SHEFFIELD PLACE INVESTS IN FAMILIES AND THE COMMUNITY

As Sheffield Place begins its 30th year of service, much has changed in the environment and at the agency – a dramatic expansion in the number of families served and the service they receive, among others. What remains constant is the single-minded focus on healing from trauma and achieving self-sufficiency.

In spite of the COVID-19 pandemic, Sheffield Place remained open and services to the families continued. Through careful attention to the protocol, only one client contracted the illness.

Pandemic or not, the expectations for the women are very high. For many mothers, no one has ever expected them to succeed. Many mothers struggle to envision a life where they are clean & sober, employed, and have permanent housing. As the program outcomes indicate, the agency makes a transformative difference in the lives of homeless mothers and their children.

Sheffield Place strives to use its resources in the most effective way possible. Sheffield Place has received the top 4-Star rating from Charity Navigator, the nation’s leading nonprofit rating agency, for the fifth consecutive year – a distinction earned by only 16% of rated agencies. Charity Navigator evaluates each agency on measures of accountability, transparency, and effectiveness.

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STRATEGIC GOALS

- Increase the number of clients served
- Increase the depth and menu of services
- Continue to diversify funding
- Increase community awareness



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The mission of Sheffield Place is “To empower homeless mothers and their children to heal from their trauma and become self-sufficient.”

SERVICES CONTINUED DURING COVID-19

When the pandemic hit in March, Sheffield Place continued services uninterrupted. The agency took the following steps to ensure continuity and safety:

- Adopted protocols to prevent the spread, including masks, disinfection, and social distancing.
- Used HIPAA-compliant Zoom in addition to in-person meetings to provide case management, therapy, and other supportive services.
- Emphasized addiction recovery because of the reduction in recovery services in the community.
- Worked closely with the mothers to ensure they made the best possible use of Earned Income Tax Credit, stimulus, and enhanced unemployment to pay warrants, evictions, and past due bills or save for rent for permanent housing.
- Upgraded Wifi in the facility so children could complete homework and mothers could conduct employment searches.
- Created a supportive classroom to ensure that the children could participate in online lessons and keep up with homework.
- Because of the agency’s protocols, only one client has contracted COVID-19.



Client and staff photo from National Recovery Month, “Join the Voices of Recovery: Celebrating Connections”



OUTCOMES			
RESIDENTIAL HOUSING SERVICES	46% exited to permanent housing; 61% for mothers who stayed more than 30 days.	The average length of stay 1.8 months for all families; 3.1 months for families that stayed longer than 30 days.	Of all mothers, 23% improved income. Of the mothers who stayed longer than 30 days, 47% improved income
RESIDENTIAL CLINICAL SERVICES— CHILDREN	57% of children (6 through 18 years) increased or maintained mental health functioning	60% of children (0 through 18) experienced a decreased level of need indicating that their needs were being met	67% of mothers improved parenting
RESIDENTIAL CLINICAL SERVICES — ADULTS	58% of mothers improved mental health functioning	66% of all mothers with addiction issues were clean from alcohol and other drugs at discharge; 89% for mothers who stayed more than 30 days	100% engaged in work development activities: job search group, job search coaching, and substance abuse treatment among others.
AFTERCARE SERVICES	97% of families maintained permanent housing	97% of mothers remained abstinent from alcohol and other drugs	86% of families increased or maintained income

KIM'S STORY

Kim and her four children lived in their van before coming to Sheffield Place at the start of the pandemic. Shortly after arriving at Sheffield Place, the public schools announced that classes would switch to virtual learning. Three of Kim's children were in elementary school and Kim was concerned. Then she learned that Sheffield Place would provide a supportive classroom where her children would participate in virtual learning from their school with the supervision of a teacher and other staff.

Kim's two older children were enrolled to receive special services from the school. With help from the children's case manager at Sheffield Place, Kim worked with the school to ensure that her children continued to meet their educational goals.

Kim's children thrived. Her kindergartener learned to read and to tie his shoes. Her second grader learned sight words.

The children are now reading nearly at grade level. Kim says, "Without the supportive classroom, my children would have fallen farther behind. I am grateful for their success."

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- ◆ Donate items from the immediate needs list – laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, paper towels, hand sanitizer, etc. For a complete list, please visit: www.sheffieldplace.org/in-kind-gift
- ◆ Volunteer! Sheffield Place offers many volunteer opportunities from working in the children's program to serving on the planning committees for the golf tournament and Off the Wall. Individuals and groups are encouraged to volunteer. Visit sheffieldplace.org/volunteer
- ◆ Make a gift and don't forget to submit for your employer's matching gift! Include a gift in your estate plans!
- ◆ Follow Sheffield Place on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram! Like, comment, and share posts!



- ⇒ 8 a.m. registration and full breakfast
- ⇒ 9 a.m. shotgun start
- ⇒ 3 p.m. BBQ Lunch and Awards
- ⇒ Prizes, contests, silent auction, and more!
- ⇒ Steven St. John - 810WHB - Honorary Chair

Off The Wall
Oct 16, 2021—5:30 to 11 p.m.
The LEX—Municipal Auditorium



Silent & Live Auctions, Live Art, Live Music, Dinner, Program, Dancing & Much More!

**Sponsorships & registration available for both events—www.sheffieldplace.org
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