

Artemis Center

2010 Annual Report



*Guiding victims of domestic violence
toward hope and healing*

ARTEMIS CENTER 

Dayton's Domestic Violence Resource Agency

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Mission Statement

Leading the Community in Its Commitment to End Domestic Violence

Dear Artemis Supporters,

In many ways, 2010 was a year of challenges for Artemis Center. Like most other nonprofit agencies, we struggled to meet increased demand for our services while funding continued to erode. You have my heartfelt gratitude for your gifts that supported our mission.

Our professional, compassionate staff faced daily challenges to address the escalating needs of our clients. Throughout the year, we faced difficult cases. Victims, forced by economic conditions to remain in dangerous relationships, came to us with serious injuries. We served more large families than ever before – many with five, six, or more children.

But 2010 was also a year of triumphs. Like our role in helping Tanya get and stay safe. She arrived at our agency one morning with her six children and nowhere to go. Her husband had beaten her and threatened the children. We helped her get her needed medication, food, and shelter. We made sure she had clothing for herself and her children and assisted her through her husband's criminal trial. Less dramatic, but equally important, we managed to end the year with a balanced budget. And we observed our 25th year of serving victims of domestic abuse.

None of our accomplishments would have been possible without you. Because of you, our advocates gave support and encouragement to victims as they sat in courtrooms. We were on the telephone with each survivor who reached out to our Hotline for help. You helped us provide comfort to the children who received therapy here after witnessing too much violence in their young lives. Because of you, 5,794 victims and their children received the help they needed from Artemis Center.

We vow to continue the fight against the tragedy of domestic violence. I hope we can count on you to continue your partnership with us.

In Peace and Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patti Schwarztrauber".

Patti Schwarztrauber, MSW, LISW
Executive Director

2010 Artemis Center Programs

Hotline

When you're living in a dangerous household, you may have only a few minutes to make a call that could save your life. That's why a crisis hotline is so important. Artemis, along with the YWCA of Dayton, provides a 24-hour point of contact for victims of domestic violence. Artemis Center staffs the hotline during peak hours, Monday – Friday from 8 am to 8 pm. Some callers need crisis intervention or emergency assistance. Others need help obtaining a Civil Protection Order. The hotline is truly a lifeline for victims. Here, they can get help with safety planning, and information about housing, the legal system and health care. In 2010:



- **3,132 callers (victims and those seeking to assist victims and their children)**
- **97% of callers completed a personal safety plan**
- **98% of callers said they received the help they were looking for**
- **98% of callers reported they were treated with respect by Artemis staff**

Advocacy



The Artemis advocacy programs represent the agency's driving philosophy: We are not here to tell a victim what to do, or how to think. Her abuser has been doing that for years. Artemis is committed to encouraging her to think for herself and make her own decisions. The advocate's job is to inform the victim of her choices, and support her in whatever decision she makes.

Victims are often isolated from family and friends. Our advocates are the compassionate, steady support a victim needs. Sometimes, it's helping a nervous victim navigate the court system. Often, it's helping a mother create a safety plan for herself and her children. Artemis Center advocates provide information, encouragement and direct

assistance to women in their most vulnerable times. Our advocacy stats for 2010 are:

- **98% of clients were assessed as having increases their safety as a result of services**
- **84% of support group and intake clients who completed a satisfaction survey agreed they feel less alone since working with Artemis**
- **991 clients were served through court outreach**
- **99% of clients say they are likely to turn to Artemis if battered again**
- **258 clients received accompaniment to civil court hearings**

Safe Start

The goal of Safe Start is to improve the lives of young mothers and children who have experienced domestic violence. Artemis Center was selected as one of only 15 Safe Start sites in the United States. The Artemis Center Safe Start advocate makes home visits to provide intervention and therapy. Funding for this program expired in October. During 10 months of 2010:

- **70 families received ongoing Safe Start services including in-home child therapy and case management**

Children's Therapy Program

If you are like most people, you try to avoid conflict. Imagine being a child who cannot escape the violent conflict at home. Artemis Center serves the youngest victims of domestic violence through individual and group therapy. Our goal is to help children 0-18 overcome the effects of witnessing violence. Young witnesses who do not get help face future struggles. They are more likely to experience depression, learning and behavioral problems, substance abuse, and violent relationships in adulthood. At Artemis, children can heal emotionally. They can learn to develop healthy relationships. This program aims to end the cycle of violence that can plague families for generations. In 2010:



- **Artemis Center served 243 children and their non-abusive parents**
- **100% of caregivers reported satisfaction with the quality of services they and their children received**
- **100% of parents reported that their child was coping better since receiving child therapy services from Artemis Center**
- **96% of children served and their parents reported the children have a safety plan they can implement**

CARE House Project

The mission of CARE House is to provide a multidisciplinary team response to child abuse for the purpose of protecting and supporting children and their non-offending family members, holding offenders accountable, and educating the community. In 2010, and Artemis Center advocate worked with the CARE House team on cases where domestic violence exists along with child abuse. Safety and well-being of the child is paramount, with the goal being to keep the non-violent part of the family together when possible. This past year:

- **91 individuals received services from the Artemis Center advocate at CARE House**

Job Center Outreach Advocate

Because many abusers control the comings and goings of their partners, victims often have a difficult time contacting Artemis. With the Job Center Outreach Programs, clients can connect to Artemis Center services without alerting their partner. Both Job Center staff and consumers have easy access to training and support. The Artemis Center advocate can arrange to accompany a victim to court, help her design a safety plan, and refer her to other community resources. Numbers for this program in 2010 show:

- **172 clients were served**
- **98% of victims who received follow-up services implemented one or more items from their safety plan 100% of clients receiving ongoing services were assessed as having increased safety at the time of case closure**

Children Services Collaborative Project

For 15 years, an Artemis Center advocate has worked at Montgomery County Children Services. She works closely with caseworkers on cases involving both domestic violence and child abuse or neglect. The advocate helps women understand the danger to their children in living with domestic violence. She also provides training for Children Services staff and facilitates an education group for moms involved with the child protection agency. Because of this program, many children who otherwise would have entered the foster care system are living safely with their non-violent parent. In 2010:

- **the Artemis Center advocate held 928 consultations with Children Services caseworkers**
- **238 families were served through this collaborative project**
- **56 mothers completed the education group**



Volunteer Services

Volunteering at Artemis Center allows individuals and groups to serve clients and staff. Opportunities include preparation for special events, helping with building maintenance, sorting pantry supplies, performing office tasks, and serving on the Board or committees. **In 2010, 90 volunteers provided 821 hours of service to Artemis Center.**

Family Violence Collaborative (FVC)

While other Artemis Center programs provide direct service to victims, the FVC works behind the scenes to strengthen the community response to domestic violence. In collaboration with law enforcement, the courts, and other agencies, the FVC director has taken the lead in establishing guidelines and protocols for reporting, investigating, and prosecuting domestic violence. The Death Review committee, convened by FVC, looks at domestic violence homicide cases to evaluate what the community can learn from these tragedies. Domestic violence affects many public and private sectors. The Artemis FVC is the glue that holds the disparate parts together.

Our Leadership Society recognizes individuals who make an unrestricted gift of more than \$1,000 annually to Artemis Center. These contributions provide vital support for operations and programs.

2010 Leadership Society

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Artemis Center thanks the hundreds of individuals, foundations, businesses and organizations who supported us in 2010. You allow us to provide a safety net for survivors of domestic violence.

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Financial Report

For Year Ending December 31, 2010

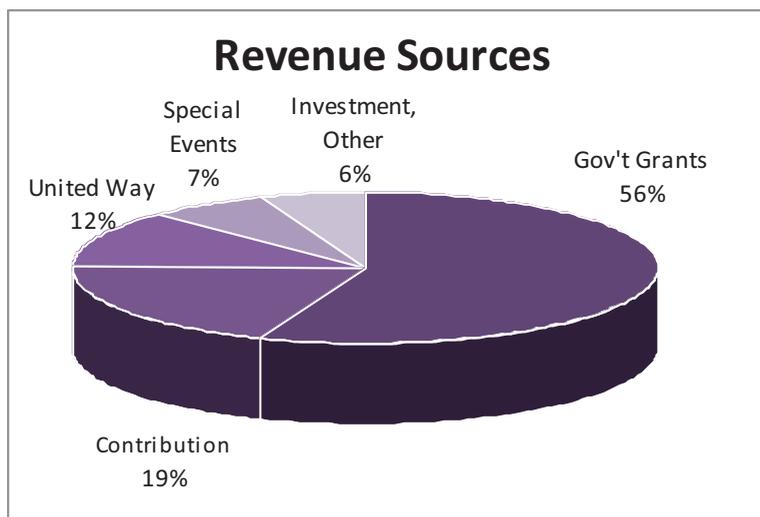
Revenue & Support

Government Grants	858,422.
Contributions*	299,812
United Way	187,450
Special Events	102,934
Investment, Other	89,406
Total	\$ 1,538,024

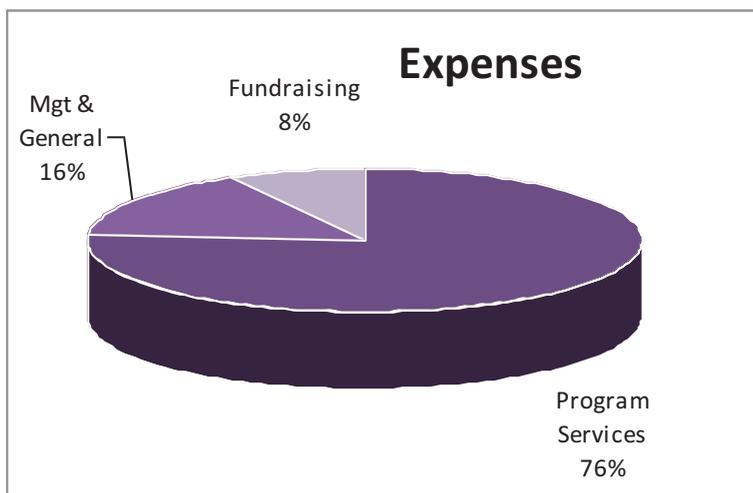
Functional Expenses

Program Services	\$1,151,554
Management & General	236,178
Fundraising	120,383
Total	1,508,115

* includes foundation grants, corporate, organization, individual and in-kind gifts



Net Assets as of December 31, 2010
\$1,881,813





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to the community

