



Building communities  
free of domestic violence  
and sexual assault

....at a Glance

## Community Service

*From the Community Service Committee:*

**Donations will be accepted at the August, September & October  
Monthly MiSGMP Meetings**

## What we do:

SafeHouse Center provides hope, safety, support, advocacy and empowerment to anyone impacted by domestic violence or sexual assault living or working in Washtenaw County. SafeHouse Center is the only shelter in Washtenaw County for those who are in danger of being hurt or killed because of domestic violence, and our services are free, confidential and available 24 hours a day.

Individuals may access our services by contacting our 24-hour HelpLine (734-995-5444), by walk-in appointments Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or through referrals from other community agencies.

## Number served each year:

Approximately 5,000 women, children and men seek life saving and supportive services through our shelter, response teams, HelpLine, counseling, and legal advocacy.

24 Hour HelpLine

Over 2,200 calls

Emergency Shelter

Over 6,800 nights spent

Counseling Services

Over 500 individuals served

Support Groups

Over 250 participants

On-Call Response Teams

Over 900 response visits

Legal Advocacy and Accompaniment

Over 830 individuals served

## **Volunteers:**

Direct Services volunteers attend a 40 hour training, which is offered twice a year. Volunteers provide over 25,000 hours of service annually.

## **Frequently asked questions:**

Who can use SafeHouse Center's services?

ANYONE who is impacted by partner abuse or sexual assault, whether it has happened to them or someone they are concerned about.

Does a person have to be ready to leave, or have left their abuser to come to SafeHouse Center?

No. We are here to offer support whatever the situation or decision of the person seeking services.

Where do the children go to school if they are residing in shelter?

By law, children may attend their home school; if the parent at SafeHouse Center does not feel the home school is safe, they go to an alternate school. SafeHouse Center is the first stop in the morning, and the last stop at night, so no one on the bus knows where the children are coming from.

How long can someone stay in shelter at SafeHouse Center?

Our guidelines are 35 days. However, we recognize how difficult it can be to find housing, childcare, employment if necessary, all while ensuring safety for themselves and their children. Therefore, we have had survivors stay much longer.

## **How can I get involved?**

If you are in danger, or would like more information about domestic/dating violence and sexual assault, please call SafeHouse Center's **24-hour Helpline** at 734-995-5444.

If you would like to volunteer at SafeHouse Center, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator at [volunteer@safehousecenter.org](mailto:volunteer@safehousecenter.org) or 734-973-0242 ext 252.

If you would like to make a financial donation or hold a fundraiser to support SafeHouse Center, please contact Julaine LeDuc, our Development Director, at [julainel@safehousecenter.org](mailto:julainel@safehousecenter.org) or 734-973-0242 ext. 273.

SafeHouse Center provides support to survivors all year long. You can make a difference in the life of a survivor of sexual assault or domestic violence with your financial support or by donating items from our wish list which can be found at [safehousecenter.org](http://safehousecenter.org).

***Together, we can do more to end domestic violence and sexual assault.***