



Noah Project, Inc. is a center for victims of domestic violence and trauma. Noah Project's purpose is to provide shelter and comprehensive support services to persons victimized by physical, verbal, and psychological abuse in a family situation.



***Making a positive difference
in the lives of others....***

2001 - 2002 Annual Report

A Life of New Beginnings....

I am 34 years old and have two children. My life has been full of chaos since I can remember, but the most chaotic day of all is the reason I am telling this story.

My husband, My Knight in Shining Armor, became my Worst Nightmare shortly after we were married. We met and were married 12 years ago. He was sent to prison for a felony drug conviction and soon after his release it became the longest BATTLE of my life! The final beating came in October. My husband became very angry because I did not get permission before leaving the house! Upon my return, he began cursing, beating and strangling me. My daughter pleaded for him to stop and when he finally did, I screamed for her to call 911, which was prevented by my mother-in-law. So I waited patiently, scared to death, for my husband and mother-in-law to fall asleep. Once they did, I fled with my children and came to Noah Project.

It is here that I began to turn my life around. I met wonderful caseworkers and found a new family. These caseworkers taught me that I had choices and boundaries that I never knew existed. Since that awful night in October I have moved back to my childhood town, enrolled my children in school, found a job, and ultimately decided to go back to school myself at night to obtain my GED.

Looking back now, going to Noah was the best decision I ever made! My life is going great now. Of course I still have ups and downs but due to the help I received at Noah and the help of a recovery program, I am functioning as a normal part of society!

-Noah Project Client

Emergency Shelter

Noah Project offers safe shelter and support services at no cost to victims of family violence.

During a victim's stay at Noah Project she/he meets with a caseworker and is provided with advocacy and support in handling the many issues faced by the trauma of family violence.

Individuals receive food, clothing, crisis counseling, information on safety planning, employment referrals, and educational support.

<u>Abilene Residents</u>	<u>Haskell Residents</u>
Adult Males 1	Adult Males 0
Adult Females 226	Adult Females 5
Child Males 139	Child Males 2
Child Females 148	Child Females 5
Total Residents Served: 526	

55% of total clients served were children
9,613 total resident days provided

1,503 total hotline calls

517 requests for shelter

659 family violence calls without requests for shelter

222 non-family violence information and referral calls

100 calls answered by Haskell hotline

24-Hour Crisis Line

The crisis line is answered 24-hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. The 24-hour crisis line assists victims in immediate need and provides an avenue for concerned family members, friends and colleagues to receive family violence information. This line is answered by a team of staff members and volunteers.

Over 4 million women are the victims of domestic violence each year.

American Medical Journal

Outreach Services

Noah Project offers non-resident outreach services to victims of family violence. Through these services individuals are provided crisis counseling and personal advocacy. Noah Project serves ten surrounding counties with an **outreach office in Haskell, Texas**. In addition, Noah Project employs an Outreach Coordinator to serve as a liaison to Noah Project's underserved rural counties. **Noah Sales Again, Resale Shop & Boutique** exists as an outreach support service to process in-kind donations and provide a service to the victims we serve and the community as a whole.

Prescription for the Next Step

This program offers individuals free legal counsel, informing them of their rights and choices. A Noah Project attorney provides immediate legal representation for emergency matters.

<u>Abilene Outreach</u>	<u>Haskell Outreach</u>
Adult Males 3	Adult Males 1
Adult Females 202	Adult Females 36
Child Males 27	Child Males 14
Child Females 24	Child Females 15
Total Outreach Clients Served	322

244 total legal clients served
46 protective orders obtained

- 4,979 students attended the Healing Hurting Hearts presentations
- 3,513 elementary students received information on family violence issues
- 1,466 junior and high school students received information on dating violence

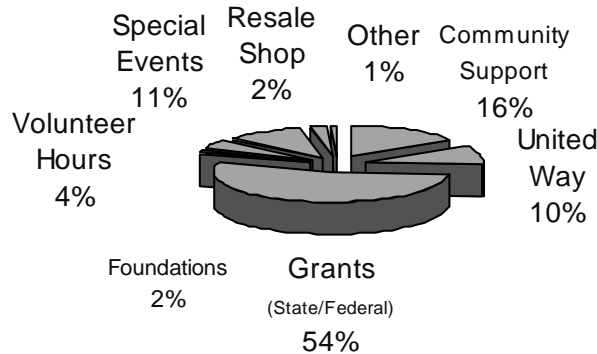
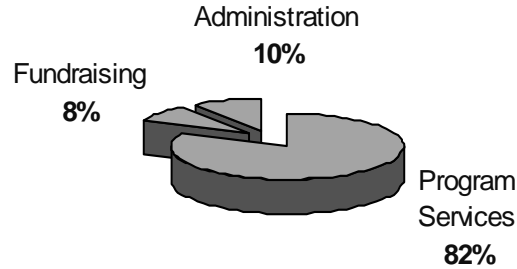
Healing Hurting Hearts

The Healing Hurting Hearts program provides age appropriate classroom presentations to educate students Kindergarten through 12th grade on family violence issues. This program provides students with information on healthy relationships and what to do if they are involved in an unhealthy relationship.

Financial Position

The graphs on this page reflect Noah Project's general financial information for Fiscal Year 2001-2002. An independent audit resulted in a clean opinion. Detailed information is available at Noah Project's Administrative office, 1636 North 20th, Abilene, Texas, 79601, or call (915) 672-6626.

Expenses



Noah Project's Service Area

Callahan
 Eastland
 Haskell
 Jones
 Knox
 Shackelford
 Stephens
 Stonewall
 Taylor
 Throckmorton

Special Events

October

- Proclamation of Family Violence Awareness Month
- 7th Annual Domestic Violence Seminar

December

- Holiday events and Christmas Card Solicitation

April

- Opening of Noah Sales Again, Resale Shop & Boutique

May

- Rose Reflections - *Honor Your Mother While Helping Ours* (Annual Mother's Day Event)

June

- Southwestern Bell Diamondback Charity Golf Classic

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