



Today I feel broken,  
but I have not given up.

**2021 Impact Report**



I can finally focus  
on my future.

Greetings!

You're receiving this Impact Report because you believe everyone deserves a safe haven – a place where they are supported, feel safe and valued, and can grow and dream.

## Thank you for supporting the women and children at Haven Housing.

We just finished recognizing Haven Housing's 40th year of service. Over the past four decades, Haven Housing has been a safe haven for 15,000 women and children. In 2021, we deepened our commitment, improving our mental and chemical health support services and connecting with our North Minneapolis community in new ways. With your help, we laid the foundation for our next 40 years.

Looking forward, we are excited to begin a nearly \$3 million renovation of our St. Anne's Place emergency shelter and serve more women and families in our supportive housing programs. The facility improvements will help keep families in crisis safe and healthy as they move from homelessness to a stable home.

## How do we build a hopeful future? Together.



Thank you for your support,

*Monica Nilsson*

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Executive Director

### Emergency Shelter

56 Moms

79 Children

### Supportive Housing

105 Women

36 Children

Total  
Households  
Served 161

## Who We Served

Last year, the state's eviction moratorium helped keep families safe in their homes during the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, Haven Housing served fewer families at our emergency shelter than in years past. Now that the eviction moratorium has ended and there are few options for rental assistance, Haven Housing and our partners worry that we'll see a dramatic increase in the number of families seeking emergency shelter.

The lack of affordable housing in the Twin Cities and fewer people moving last year also meant that it was harder for Haven Housing program participants to find safe, stable housing. These challenges, however, created the opportunity for us to work more deeply with each woman and family in our programs.

At St. Anne's Place Emergency Family Shelter, we held 43 Children's Mental Health sessions, 23 kids exercise events, 47 arts and craft sessions, and 19 game nights; additionally, 17 moms participated in the Moms support group and 48 children participated in tutoring and early childhood education. At Ascension Place supportive housing, an average of 8 women participated in mental health groups and 12 in chemical health groups each week.

## We Couldn't Do This Without You

106 volunteers

gave

4,138 hours

of their time to support Haven Housing women and families.

700+

people, companies, foundations, and faith communities donated

Thank you



## Community

Haven Housing recognized its 40th Anniversary with our community. We commissioned four posters from local Northside artists and artists of color. The designs were unveiled at Haven Housing's Block Party during the FLOW Northside Arts Crawl and can be found on our website. In addition, Haven Housing:

- Hosted National Night Out Events at Ascension Place and St. Anne's Place in August
- Participated in Open Streets - West Broadway in September
- Co-hosted two community clean up events with Destination Northside and West Broadway Coalition partners

# Positive Systems Change

## ***Making it easier to save up for an apartment***

In order to move into their own apartments, Ascension Place sober supportive housing residents need an opportunity to save earnings from work. In the fall of 2021, the State of Minnesota made a change to Section 5 of the Professional Statement of Need (PSN) which determines eligibility for the state Housing Support program. Now, residents can live at Ascension Place for 90 days before they are responsible for paying a portion of their earned/employment income towards their housing costs through the Housing Support program. For years, Haven Housing staff and partners communicated to state officials that the requirement that residents contribute to their housing costs can sometimes be a deterrent to employment. Now, new residents at Ascension Place and similar programs will have 90 days to save their earned income. In the first few months since the change, it has helped one person at Ascension Place save up for and move to her own apartment.



## ***Emergency shelter is finally free to families***

In December 2021, the Hennepin County Board voted to end the policy known as “self-pay” that required families to use some of their income or public assistance benefits like Social Security to pay for their stay at an emergency shelter. The change came after years of advocacy by Haven Housing, People Serving People, families experiencing homelessness, and other champions in the community and local government. The change will help families stay current on their bills, save for an apartment, or meet whatever need they have.

# What's Next?

We are excited to embark on a major renovation of St. Anne's Place emergency shelter this summer! The multi-phase project will enhance the safety and health of the moms and children who stay at the 82-year-old former convent while they look for stable housing. This nearly \$3 million update will include new HVAC and other infection-mitigation enhancements to improve the health and safety of shelter guests. St. Anne's Place is one of only two emergency shelters for families experiencing homelessness in Hennepin County. Because it only serves 16 families a night it is a unique and optimal place for women-led families to recover from a crisis and find stable housing. We hope you'll help us complete this important project!

## Financial Statement

For Fiscal Year 2021 - July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

### Assets

|                                |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Current Assets . . . . .       | \$1,029,453        |
| Investments . . . . .          | \$1,408,636        |
| Property & Equipment . . . . . | \$1,580,887        |
| Other . . . . .                | \$61,142           |
| <b>Total Assets . . . . .</b>  | <b>\$4,080,118</b> |

### Liabilities

|                                    |                  |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Current Liabilities . . . . .      | \$182,863        |
| Long-Term Liabilities . . . . .    | \$202,000        |
| <b>Total Liabilities . . . . .</b> | <b>\$384,863</b> |

### Net Assets

|                                   |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Unrestricted . . . . .            | \$62,618           |
| Property & Equipment . . . . .    | \$1,378,887        |
| Building Reserve . . . . .        | \$551,235          |
| Operating Reserve . . . . .       | \$1,466,215        |
| Restricted . . . . .              | \$236,300          |
| <b>Total Net Assets . . . . .</b> | <b>\$3,695,255</b> |

**Total Liabilities & Net Assets . . . \$4,080,118**

### Revenue & Expenses

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Revenue . . . . .        | \$3,468,840 |
| Total Expenses . . . . .       | \$3,155,767 |
| Supportive Housing . . . . .   | 43%         |
| Emergency Shelter . . . . .    | 36%         |
| Core Mission Support . . . . . | 17%         |
| Other Programming . . . . .    | 4%          |

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