



HELP OF DOOR COUNTY, INC.

HELP's Highlights

Eliminating Domestic Abuse
FALL 2011

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **October is Domestic Abuse Awareness Month**
- **HELP welcomes new Director**
- **Anne Kok Social Justice Award Winner Announced**
- **Highlights of HELP's Annual Meeting**
- **Tastes of Distinction Gala date is announced**
- **The 2010 HELP of Door County Annual Report and statistics are now available**

HELP's Fifth Annual Gala & Auction

Main Street Market invites you to attend HELP's Fifth Annual *Tastes of Distinction* event at Horseshoe Bay Golf Club in Egg Harbor from 5-8 pm on Thursday, September 15, 2011. The evening will include a chance to sample appetizers and desserts highlighted from Door County's best chefs. There will also be over 60 wines available for tasting. A silent auction will take place showcasing Door County's finest merchandise and services.

Come, participate in exciting raffles along with a cork raffle for a chance to win a bottle or two of wine. Tickets are \$60.00 per person. Join us by calling HELP at 743-8785 to reserve your ticket today!



HELP welcomes new Director, Ursula Bunnell!

Imagine yourself driving to Door County on a beautiful summer morning. One might anticipate a relaxing day of shopping, enjoying the great outdoors, fine dining, and just an all around good time. On June 15th, just a few short weeks ago, I ventured on such a drive from Green Bay to start my very first day as the new Executive Director for HELP of Door County. As I drive to my office in Sturgeon Bay each morning, I reflect back to my 18 years of service with Golden House, the domestic violence agency in Brown County. My commitment to Golden House has prepared me for what I consider to be my dream job with HELP.

It gives me immense pleasure to have been given the opportunity to become part of an amazing team of staff and board of directors that share the same passion as I in ending domestic violence in Door County. In the short time I have been here, I am truly impressed at how welcoming and generous the members of the community are. I am looking forward to many years of being not only a team member with HELP and it's affiliates, but also a member of what Brown County residents call "the great escape", Door County. — Ursula Bunnell

Be a part of social change. When you see or hear violence, speak up and try to make a difference!

HELP of Door County coupon books are now available for \$20 at the HELP office and other participating vendors! Check our website or call for more details

- Intimate partner violence results in more than **18.5 million mental health care visits** each year.
- Only approximately one-quarter of all physical assaults, one-fifth of all rapes, and one-half of all stalking incidences committed against females by intimate partners are reported to the police.



Proud to be a United Way Funded Partner

The Anne Kok Social Justice Award recognizes an individual, group or organization that has demonstrated a commitment to eliminating violence against women in all its forms, while making an impact in Door County. The Anne Kok Social Justice Award Winner for 2011 is Jane Stevenson. Highlights of the areas where Jane has worked for social justice include Door County United Way Director, HELP of Door County, Inc. Board Member, Door County Community Foundation, and currently co-chair of the Women's Fund of Door County. She was presented with this award at HELP of Door County's Annual Meeting on June 21, 2011. Congratulations, Jane, and thank you for all you do for the community!



Jane Stevenson receiving the Anne Kok award from HELP board member, Paul Kok, at HELP of Door County's Annual Meeting.

Annual Report Highlights

The annual meeting this year was held Tuesday, June 21st, at the English Inn located in Fish Creek. We had an exceptional guest turnout, and were privileged with a beautiful atmosphere, exceptional service, good food, and great company. The comprehensive services that HELP offers Door County is an unending venture of honoring our mission. This is reflected by the main programs HELP offers; domestic abuse services, intervention services and keeping our children safe through our Visitation and Exchange Program.

One of the changes this year is the retirement of Barb Maskell, Executive Director and the announcement of her successor, Ursula Bunnell. The Search and Screen Committee was recognized for its tiresome efforts in finding the right fit for HELP. Fundraisers, such as the Stay at Home Ball, the coupon book, and the Gala were once again a success thanks to the Northern Door Helpers, as well as our staff and fundraising committee members. HELP could not continue its fiscal stability without the generosity of the donors as they continue to give both monetarily and in-kind. We once again can celebrate a successful year, as we welcome new staff members and wish those that are parting all the best.

“Cards for Clients”

The weather may be still on the warm side, yet the holiday season will be among us before we know it! HELP is again emphasizing the need for Gift Cards (\$25 increments are most beneficial). These can be used year-round, by any client, and assist us to best address these personal needs on an individual basis. In addition to gas, grocery, and discount store cards, please consider gift certificates for services such as oil changes, car repair, hair cuts, restaurants, fitness memberships, and utilities. Some additional current immediate client needs include: Cleaning supplies (multi-surface sprays, toilet cleaner, dish soap), laundry detergent, diapers (all sizes), baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, and toilet paper.

The HELP office has the following needs: an industrial shredder, cleaning supplies, copy paper, office supplies, stamps/postage, toilet paper, paper towels, decaf coffee, creamer, and sweetener.

Last year’s special request for “Cards for Clients” generated over \$3,000 in gift cards that allowed us to meet each client’s individual needs. We appreciate your response to this need.

HELP welcomes donated gift cards and gift certificates year-round. Please consider delivering your holiday-specific donated items and gift cards to the HELP office between **November 1 – December 16**. We are grateful for the continued generosity exhibited from our community and the true spirit of altruistic giving this holiday season!

Upcoming DV

October is Domestic Abuse Awareness Month



Purple Ribbon Campaign

The purple ribbon is a symbol of support for survivors and victims of domestic violence. Hence, why it is the center of HELP’s logo.

Across the country, families and friends of victims wear the purple ribbon to remember and honor their loved ones who have lost their lives at the hands of a person they once loved.

Wear a purple ribbon in our community to send a strong message:

There is no place for domestic violence in our homes, neighborhoods, schools and workplaces.

2010 Domestic Abuse Program Achievements

Number of clients served	
153	
113 women	
17 men	
23 youth	
# of older adults seen	8
# of vulnerable adults seen	5
Number of people placed in a Safe Home	11
Number of nights	25
Education, Support, and Advocacy Hours	779
Legal Advocacy Hours	138
HELPLine calls	527
Crisis	361
Information and Referral	166
Average call length	16 minutes

HELP Needs Planning Members!

Autumn will be here before we know it! October is Domestic Violence awareness month. This is our time to educate as well as offer hope and healing. Here at HELP of Door County, we have a few ideas for activities but would love more. We are forming a committee to meet in August and September to plan and implement events. You are invited to help out as much or as little as you like. We are blessed with wonderful talent and creativity in Door County and would love some non traditional activities to bring attention to the issue and our services. Please call Laura at 743-8785 if you can help.

WE’RE ON THE WEB!

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You are invited
to our
annual Gala!



HELP's Hope; The Giving Corner

(This list changes periodically based on our current needs)

HELP of Door County Needs:

High Priority:

Gift Cards:

- Gas
- Discount Stores
- Department Store
- Grocery
- Utility

Hygiene

- diapers

Office Supplies:

- Copy paper: 8 1/2 x 11, legal, and/or ledger size
- Colored copy paper: any colors

Special Request Items:

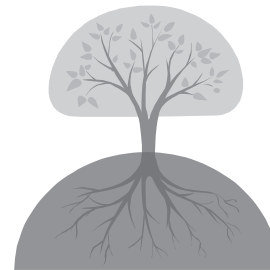
- Safe Homes for Victims
- Exterior Lock Sets
- Used cell phones
- Markers for Children
- New Trac Phones

Going Green

Cleaning Supplies:

- spray cleaner
- disinfecting wipes
- dish soap
- Toilet cleaner

Tax deductible donations can be dropped off directly to the HELP office between the hours of 8-4:30 pm M-F



Planned Giving

As always, including HELP in your will as a beneficiary of stock, estate, or trust is appreciated. Feel confident your gift through planned giving will last for generations. True philanthropists never die!

Endowment

Invest in HELP's future....HELP's endowment is truly "safe" investing! You'd be investing in keeping clients safe! The best form of safety planning is ensuring we are here for future clients.

WE WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS

***The mission of HELP of Door County is to:
eliminate domestic abuse through prevention and intervention services and to advocate for social change.***