



Annual Report 2010

At-a-Glance

Successes-at-a-Glance

With the help of our generous partners in 2010, we touched the lives of thousands of women and children seeking improved futures.

- Housed and supported 603 women and children in our three crisis shelters
- Secured housing for over 400 families in danger of homelessness
- Provided information and referrals to a record 7,140 calls to our 24-hour crisis line (1-866-A-WAY-OUT)
- Served 250 domestic violence survivors in free support groups
- Conducted Children's Programming for more than 250 children
- Trained and certified 30 new domestic violence counselors from nonprofit organizations throughout the East Bay

With your help, over 70 percent of the women who stay in our emergency shelters for 30 days or longer leave with improvements in one or both of the two key measures for building stability – housing, a source of income, or both.

Program-at-a-Glance



Awarded a \$3 million economic stimulus grant (over 3 years) to prevent homelessness and provide rapid re-housing to the community, Building Futures opened the Housing Resource Center in November 2009. The funds, designated to assist families at immediate risk of homelessness, were put to use almost immediately. Primarily through direct financial assistance, our HRC staff prevented over 400 families, some of the most vulnerable in the community, from becoming homeless.

Client-at-a-Glance

In August 2009, Tammy (a single mom in her early 20s) and her 3-month-old daughter arrived at Sister Me Home. During her stay Tammy explored the obstacles in her life, including unemployment, emotional trauma, little education and homelessness. After several months of hard work, Tammy qualified for a subsidy program for her own apartment — her first experience of living on her own. Within a month, though, her batterer learned where she lived and arrived at her door. BFWC was able to help her find the relocation funds and counseling to explore solutions. Since then, Tammy has relocated to a safe community, began work on her high school diploma and found gainful employment. We are proud of Tammy, her hard work and her many successes in rebuilding a life for herself and her daughter free from homelessness and family violence!

Support-at-a-Glance

On Sept. 10, 2009, the Golden State Warriors announced that BFWC was the winner of their Keys for Caring contest. The contest sponsored by the Warriors and Thomason Kia in Vallejo, donated a new vehicle to the local nonprofit organization that demonstrated the greatest need for transportation. Thank you, Golden State Warriors & Thomason Kia for your generous support!



Commitment-at-a-Glance

This spring, long-time friend John Klein stepped down from our Board of Directors after 24 years of active service with San Leandro Shelter and Building Futures.



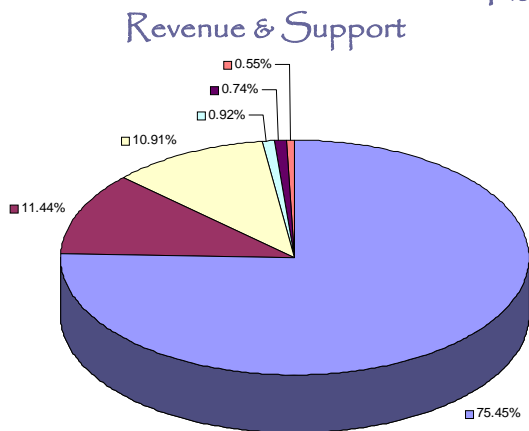
Beginning in 1986 when he assisted an interfaith volunteer group in securing initial funding for renovation of St. Elizabeth's Hall, John was an constant champion in the development of our organization and services.

BFWC grew under John's leadership from one emergency shelter to a safety net of services. Whether as a volunteer construction crew member or a 16-year board member, John was instrumental in our expansion into domestic violence services and long-term housing, including Sister Me Home Safe House and Bessie Coleman Court.

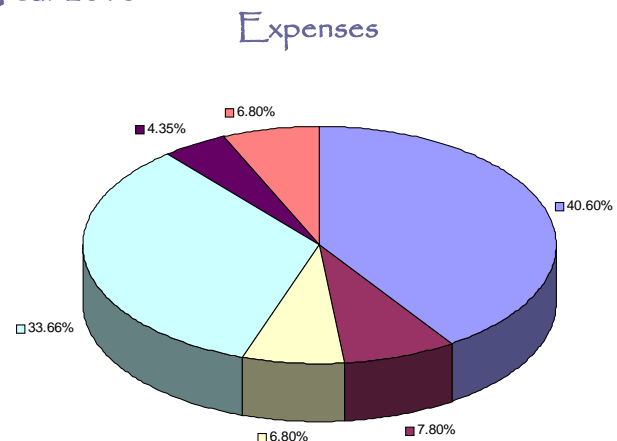
"At times when the agency faced critical challenges, John brought wit and a 'can-do' spirit to every obstacle," says Executive Director Liz Varela. "He played a huge role in making the agency a leader in our field. We are deeply grateful for his leadership and hard work."

Finances-at-a-Glance

Fiscal Year 2010



- Government grants and contracts - \$2,160,821
- Individual & Community Support - \$327,515
- Foundation grants - \$312,575
- Other Income - \$26,207
- Special and community events - \$21,204
- Program and management fees - \$15,655



- Shelters - \$1,154,494
- Children's & Outreach Programs - \$193,397
- Bessie Coleman Court - \$221,819
- Housing Resource Center - \$957,133
- Development - \$123,655
- General & Admin - \$193,385

Gratitude-at-a-Glance

We are grateful for the hundreds of individuals, organizations, businesses, faith communities and foundations that made a world of difference to the women and children striving to rebuild lives free from homelessness and family violence. Too numerous to list here, our supporters are acknowledged at www.BFWC.org.

Building futures free from homelessness and family violence 24 hours a day, 7 days a week