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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As the Women's & Children's Alliance moves into its new fiscal year – I am very pleased to have joined this wonderful organization. The work that we do has never been more important or necessary – you have only to look at the homicides reported by the Idaho Statesman over the past twelve months to see the result domestic violence has on members of our community. Our educational outreach efforts continue, as do our efforts to reach victims. We want to be sure that everyone knows who to call – our Crisis Hot Lines are staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year - and how to refer a friend in need.

National research shows that by the time someone reaches out, chances are good the abuse has been going on for quite a while. When they are ready to reach out – we want to be there for them.

National research also shows that victims who are more comfortable with our criminal justice system – for example, having previously filed a protection order – are more likely to report their re-victimization. Our court advocates work with victims seeking those protection orders every day in an effort to help them through the court process and make sure they know their options. Having this support and increased knowledge will help them as they deal with their own particular situation.

It is life changing work that we are engaged in, and I hope that you will consider joining our efforts. We can put your time, talents, and funds to good use. Check out our web site, or give me a call to see how you can get involved.

Beatrice Black

Beatrice Black
 Executive Director

BOARD PRESIDENT LETTER

Dear Members and Friends of the Women's & Children's Alliance,

This has been a busy and productive year for your Board of Directors. Our most important accomplishment during fiscal 2008 has been a successful management transition. We bid farewell to long-time Executive Director Janice Johnson, and thanked her for her invaluable contributions to the WCA. Simultaneously, we welcomed the highly qualified and competent Bea Black, and have worked closely with Bea while she has hit the ground running.



With the managerial future of our organization in excellent hands, we are continuing to implement the strategic plan we put in place last year. We have made some real progress on mission-related issues such as reducing the wait-list for children's counseling, and on several board governance issues. We continue to review and reevaluate the strategic plan, with the fulfillment of our mission firmly in mind.

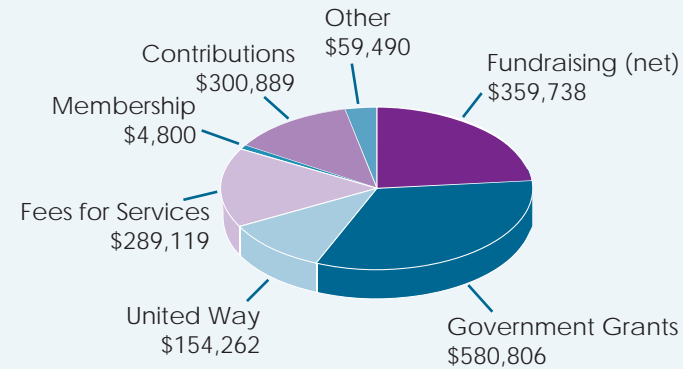
Board members, WCA staff, members and volunteers continue to work together to accomplish the organization's goals, and to fulfill our mission to provide safe shelter, education, opportunity and hope to women and children victimized by domestic and sexual violence. I want to thank each and every one of you for your hard work and dedication. Last but not least, I want to extend a special thanks to those who helped during the successful management transition. We are so lucky to have your support!

Mary G. Monroe

Mary Monroe
 WCA Board President

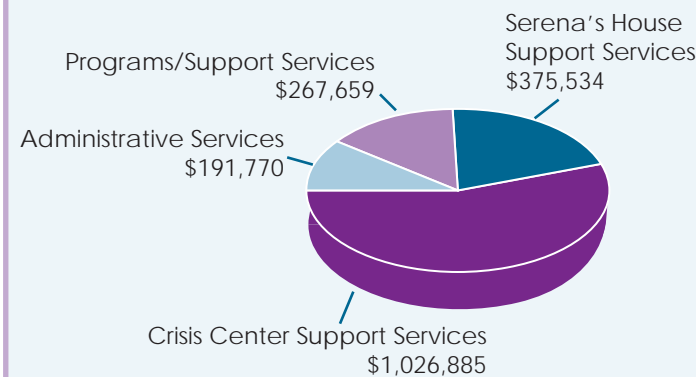
**Financial Results
 July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008**

INCOME



TOTAL
 \$1,749,104

EXPENSES



TOTAL
 \$1,861,848

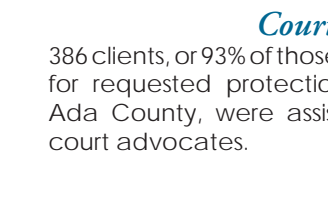
PROGRAMS

Our programs are designed to deliver seamless direct victim services to those impacted by domestic and/or sexual violence. A strong emphasis is placed on outreach to the community and on creating partnerships. Regarded as a vigorous and effective force speaking on behalf of women and their families, program staff serve on innumerable community task forces and advisory Boards that work collaboratively to promote the good health of the community.



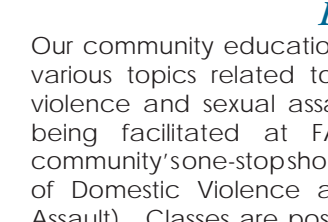
Safe Shelter

During the past year, the WCA provided nearly 15,000 safe bed nights to 316 women and children. A new grant relationship with Boise City/Ada County Housing Authority provides transitional housing to some program participants.



Court Advocacy

386 clients, or 93% of those appearing for requested protection orders in Ada County, were assisted by our court advocates.



Education

Our community education series on various topics related to domestic violence and sexual assault is now being facilitated at FACES (the community's one-stopshop for victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault). Classes are posted on our web site and all community members are welcome to attend. In addition, we continue to collaborate with St. Michael's Episcopal Cathedral by providing monthly presentations at their Baby Steps outreach, as well as twice monthly Nurturing Parenting classes at the East Boise Community Work Center.



Opportunity

As part of our holistic approach to helping women work through and develop skills needed to move forward with their lives, our drug/alcohol program component has been enhanced. The WCA is now designated as a Specialty Provider to Pregnant Women and Women with Children. Recovery Support Services are being provided, and the best practices curriculum "Helping Women Recover" is facilitated.



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