

Message from the Director

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You don't have to spend much time searching the internet, watching TV, or listening to the radio before you are exposed to conflicts taking place close to home or somewhere around the world.

So, in the interest of finding common ground, I wanted to make my Executive Director's report about a cause that has the power to unite people- KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE. April is child abuse prevention month and at Turningpoint for Victims of Domestic and Sexual Violence, Inc we are

working every day to make sure that we end child abuse in our community. Every child deserves a safe home.

Too many children are sexually, physically, and/or emotionally abused on a daily basis in our community. In 2010, Turningpoint for Victims of Domestic and Sexual Violence Inc. served 574 women, men and children: 62 were children under the age of five from Pierce and St. Croix Counties, WI. Sixty two children only represent a small percentage of the children that are being violated. Please partner with us to do all that you can to make sure the children in your life are safe. For additional information, please visit our website or feel free to give me a call. *Kim Wojcik, Executive Director*

Interested in volunteering at Turningpoint or our store, Second Chances? Visit our website for more information and to print the volunteer application! If you have any questions, please contact Katie, our Volunteer Coordinator. If you want another way to help, take a look at our needs list on our website. Every little bit helps! www.turningpoint-wi.org

Helping Hammers Builds Us a Shed

Turningpoint submitted a grant request to Helping Hammers. The request was for a shed to be built at the domestic violence shelter. Turningpoint had a critical need to store items in the shed as opposed to the garage. The relocation of stored items would open up a stall for victims to park

their car allowing their location to remain confidential. The shed would also allow Turningpoint to reduce costs on facility maintenance by keeping mowers and other items on site. The request was reviewed and granted. With an outpouring of generosity, the initial request for a basic shed evolved into a top of the line storage shed. The members of The St Croix Valley Home Builders Association pooled its resources together and the end result was a magnificent structure that will more than meet Turningpoint's needs. The members who donated time and resources include the following: Lindus (labor and equipment), Cameron Homes (labor), Lund Builders (labor and equipment), Arrow Building Center RF (materials and labor), Blackhawk Garage Door (materials), CW Garage Door (materials), Superior Walls (donated \$8500.00 worth of product, labor and equipment), Derrick Construction (equipment and materials), The Builders Choice, Osceola (materials), and Pro Build, New Richmond (materials).



Thank You to our 2010 Donors

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Thank you to EVERY person, family, group, organization, congregation, and corporation that supported us in our mission in 2010. Because of you, we are strong!



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April is Child Abuse Prevention & Sexual Assault Awareness Month



We at Turningpoint need your support in our efforts to end sexual violence and child abuse in our community.

April is **Sexual Assault Awareness and Child Abuse Prevention Month**. April is set aside across the nation for every community to collectively focus upon the societal problem of sexual violence and the ways in which services like ours are working to end this violence and seek justice for its victims. Nationally, 1 in 4 females and 1 in 6 males will be sexually assaulted before the age of 18.

Sexual assault and child abuse are two of the most underreported crimes in the world today. These are problems in our community and all over the world. So what can you do to help? It is as easy as sharing this information with your family, friends, and neighbors.

We must use our voices to break the silence and build a culture where respectful relationships are expected, where sexual violence is not tolerated, where offenders are held accountable for their actions, and where victims and their families are given the support they need to heal. During this nationally recognized time, join advocates and survivors around the nation to focus our efforts on child abuse & sexual assault education, prevention, and awareness.



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