



Womanspace East, Inc.
Serving Families in Crisis

Donor Newsletter

Spring 2023

11 Cares and Highmark Wholecare event supports the shelter

On May 6th staff from Channel 11 and Highmark Wholecare set up outside The Pittsburgh Connection on Broad Street to collect donations to support families experiencing homelessness. It was a sunny Saturday greeting smiling faces in support of our mission.

Thanks to the generosity of these sponsors and the dozens of community members who showed up we received some of our families' most needed items including blankets, linens, toiletry items, diapers, hand sanitizer, and first aid kits.

Did you know that you can set up automatic monthly gifts via our website? Even a small monthly gift can provide essentials we may take for granted to the families we serve.

Visit www.wseinc.org or scan the QR code to set yours up! Just select "monthly" under frequency.



Program Coordinator Dana Marton with Board President Judith Saunders



Thank you for being a supporter. With you we are able to open our doors to families in Allegheny County experiencing homelessness.



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Get to know us



Board Member, Holly Douglas

I have been on the Board of Woman Space for 14 years! I was asked to join by a board member (emeritus) Richard Witherspoon since he was unable to attend as much as he wanted. I was thrilled because my mother, Della Burt was one of the founding members.

I love that WSE has changed as the client needs have changed over time. WSE has always provided an emergency respite and has been instrumental in finding permanent housing. I think people take for granted that the work of the shelter is not temporary. The programs are not just feel good moments but building blocks for the future stability of the residents (adults and children) – ie., parenting, conflict resolution, getting along with others, financing,... The management, board, and staff truly care. This is a mission of love.

Spaces to grow

The resident support offices at Womanspace East are where our case workers spend more than 4,000 hours connecting families with resources including education, medical support, job counseling, and more each year.



The good you create

Katlyn came to Womanspace East with her 7-week-old baby boy. Katlyn was dealing with mental health concerns as well as drug and alcohol treatment. While at the center, she attended mental health and addiction treatment and went to Mommy and Me



programs at a local family center. She actively met with her case manager and took exceptionally good care of her son. She also attended college courses online and had all passing grades.

With hard work and help from shelter staff, Katlyn was able to meet her goals and was accepted into a Rapid Rehousing program. She now lives in a two-bedroom apartment with her son.