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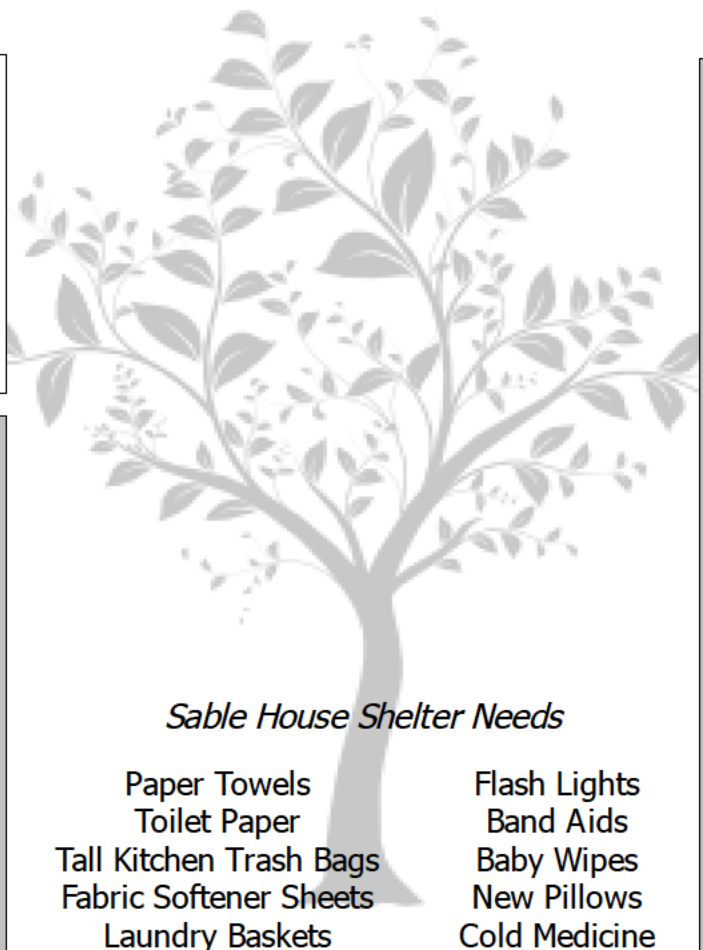
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Website:
www.sablehouse.org



Sable House Shelter Needs

- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Tall Kitchen Trash Bags
- Laundry Baskets
- Flash Lights
- Band Aids
- Baby Wipes
- New Pillows
- Cold Medicine

**Clothing & Household
Item Donation Policy:**

Because we have very limited storage space, we only accept items from our wish list at www.sablehouse.org during business hours. We do accept furniture items but request that you call for our *current* needs. All donations must be new or in excellent condition.

Occasionally the office is closed during business hours for emergencies. To avoid missing us, please call before you make the trip. Thank you for your support!

Sable House

Increasing the safety of domestic and sexual violence victims in Polk County through crisis intervention and community education services.

Fall 2011

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2010 Statistics

Clients Served
854

Shelter Nights
1,378

Crisis Calls
4,628

Support Groups
149

**Educational
Presentations**
27

Eagle Scout Makes a BIG Difference for Sable House Families!

Eagle Scout Raji Maki made a huge impact on Sable House when he chose us as his Eagle Scout community project recipient. First he made a flyer that described his project and then he put the Sable House wish list on the back of it asking for donations from the community. Then he added a plastic bag and went door to door. He hung his flyers all over the neighborhood with a promise to return and pickup any donations folks could give. What he ended up collecting for the Sable House shelter filled two of our offices to the brim with all kinds of household items needed for the shelter facility.

Many Thanks for your efforts Raji!

New Website Launches in November!

Check out our newly remodeled website at www.sablehouse.org. Many thanks to our legal advocacy program coordinator for her technical help getting the new website up and going! The new site has a new look, and there are lots of new features and information for you. Please let us know what you think.

Kudos to Volunteer Advocates **Scott** and **Audra**!

Scott and Audra assisted the Sable House staff by presenting to Falls City High School students about safety in teen dating relationships.

Many Thanks for a Fantastic Job!



Sable House Holiday Tree Recycle is January 7th!

Sable House Tree Recycle day is scheduled for Saturday January 7th, 2012 from 9-2 at Dallas Disposal located at 1030 West Ellendale Avenue in Dallas. \$5 donation for pickup or drop off. Please call 503.623.6703 to schedule your tree for pickup or just bring your tree to Dallas Disposal on the 7th.

We appreciate your support!

Crisis Hotline: (503) 623-4033

Toll Free: (866) 305-3030

New Laws Impact Domestic and Sexual Violence Victims

HB 2714: Creates separate crime of “patronizing a prostitute” with heightened fine for patronizing a minor

SB 425: Expands the crime of compelling prostitution to include when a person knowingly aids or facilitates the commission of prostitution by a person under 18

HB 2940: Increases the classification (and penalties) of the crime of strangulation in certain circumstances including when minors are present or a weapon was used

HB 2925: Requires an order prohibiting the defendant, while in custody awaiting trial, from contacting the victim in a sex crime or a crime of domestic violence

SB 557: Directs the district attorney in each county to organize a sexual assault response team (SART)

SB 616: Adds protection for pets in restraining order proceedings

HB 2686: Eliminates 90-day waiting period for obtaining a divorce

HB 2928: Clarifies ability to request a telephone or other two-way electronic appearance in a contested restraining order hearing

For more detailed information about these and other changes in laws affecting domestic & sexual violence victims go to the Legislature’s website at: www.leg.state.or.us/bills_laws/

Funding Loss Results in Staff Reduction

In June, we learned that, for the first time in ten years, United Way would not be providing grant funds to Sable House.

This loss of funds meant that we had to reduce our already small staff from 5 to 4.

However, we are still deeply committed to providing essential, life-saving services to our clients.

Please help us continue making a difference by:

Giving Cash Donations - Even small monthly donations help. When added to other donations, even a \$10 monthly commitment makes a difference to us. We never turn away a financial commitment and are always grateful for any support you can give.

Donating Supplies - We need general household supplies to run the shelter

facility like TP, cleaners, paper towels, kleenex, children’s tylenol, first aid supplies, etc. Check out our wish list online.

Doing a Fundraiser at Work - Post some flyers and ask your coworkers to help by donating, make it a contest. Call us for help with ideas!

Volunteering Your Time - Join us for training, work the hotline, provide childcare, mentor, or help with outreach activities. We train you!

\$12
one day of
safe shelter for
a victim of abuse

*When you donate to Sable House,
every dollar counts.*

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A Client's Story

Gaby (*not her real name*) was referred to Sable House by another domestic violence group. They had worked with her for some time, starting when she first fled from her violent husband.

She had obtained a restraining order and filed for divorce, but her husband then forced his way into her home. He threatened and abused her so that she would not call police, and then made her sign an unfair divorce judgment.

When she came to us, Gaby’s primary concern was achieving safety for herself and her children. Her ex-husband was stalking her, and he had also asked the court to hold her in contempt for violating the divorce judgment.

With our help, Gaby was able to modify the divorce judgment to be more appropriate and fair. In addition, the judge allowed her to move without notifying her ex-husband. It worked – her ex-husband hasn’t stalked her or the children since they moved!

Special thanks to the following community organizations and businesses who continue to support Sable House.

- Birch Landscape
- Grandma’s Attic
- Citizens Bank
- Mid Valley Quilters Guild
- Altrusa International
- Soroptomist International
- Dallas Chamber
- Allied Waste of Dallas
- Dallas FFA
- Church of Jesus Christ of LDS
- St Phillip Catholic Church
- Girl Scouts
- Dallas Aquatic Center
- Salt Creek Baptist Church
- Perrydale FFA & Pork for People
- Starbucks
- Great Harvest Bread Co
- Western Oregon University
- A-Team Locksmiths
- Van Well Building Supply

Thank you for your generosity. Families in need appreciate you!



We love our volunteers!

Thank you for donating your old cell phones to us!

Sable House partners with Shelter Alliance to recycle cell phones because in their program, no cell phones are sent to landfills.

Please continue to recycle used cell phones responsibly, the proceeds help Sable House families. Your donated phones have raised more than \$3,000!

Sable House Core Values

Safety - Promote safety in our work everyday to ensure clients, staff and community feel safe when working with us.

Compassion - Treat all those who come into contact with the organization with loving kindness.

Respect - Honor each other by respecting individual choices and beliefs.

Good Intent - Keep close the mission of the organization by remembering why we are here and act every day from that understanding.

Advocacy - Be advocates by listening, supporting, and empowering.