**Fundraising 2012**

- **Celebration of Hope Dinner, 10/5:** Honoring The Hon. John K. McGuirk; Safe & Sound Home Services, Corp.; 1st Sgt. Francis Pierri, Academy Director, and the Police Chiefs’ Association of Orange County Police Academy; the legacy of Elaine Tilford Schneer. Sponsored by Orange & Rockland, Crystal Run Healthcare, UnitedHealthcare, MEDIACOM, Orange Regional Medical Center, and Provident Bank, the event gathered 195 supporters and raised $35,000.

- **The 18th Annual Love-Gently Dinner, 03/13:** Hosted and co-sponsored by Painter’s Cornwall-on-Hudson, gathered 200 guests and raised $6,322.

- **The Warwick Valley Bed & Breakfast 15th Anniversary and Fundraising Event, 11/04:** Hosted by B&B owner Loretta Breedveld, with sponsorships from local businesses, raised $4,633.

- **V-Day 2012, 4/13:** Safe Homes’ First Production of Eve Ensler’s “Vagina Monologues” at The Lycian Center for the Performing Arts in Sugar Loaf was a sold out event and raised $4,018.

- **Warwick 15th Annual Ladies’ Night Out, 08/23:** Warwick’s Merchants’ Guild made Safe Homes the beneficiary of this year’s event and raised $1,597.

- **Safe Homes & Safe Passages Pasta Dinner, 06/03:** Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus, John Cardinal O’Connor Council #12663 in Yulan, raised $1,540.

- **Garage & Street Fair, 05/20:** Hosted by Peggy & Eric Fuentes, owners of “On My Way Early Learning & Childcare” in Middletown, raised $1,500.

- **The Eighth Annual Gingerbread Project, 12/08:** Hosted by St. Anne’s Episcopal Church in Washingtonville, raised $1,400.

- **Combat Against Domestic Violence, 11/02:** A zumbathon sponsored by Gold’s Gym Hudson Valley, raised $1,107.

- **Zumbathon, 10/21:** Organized by Veronica Rodriguez, raised $1,032.

- **Holiday Wish-List Adoption Program: 341 wish-lists were adopted by community, workplace and faith groups, schools, and individual donors.

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**Mission Statement**

Safe Homes of Orange County works to eliminate all forms of domestic violence through education, outreach and provision of services to individuals and families affected by domestic abuse.

Safe Homes is client-centered.

We educate and empower people to make informed choices.

We serve with compassion and dignity.

**Our belief is:**

“Every home should be a safe home.”

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**We offer HOPE and HELP to individuals affected by domestic violence.**

**24-Hour Hotline: 1-888-503-HOPE**
SHELTER: The NYS Office for Children and Family Services approved an increase in Safe Homes' shelter capacity from 13 to 17 beds to improve access to immediate safety for victims of domestic violence and their children.

FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER: Safe Homes' advocates participated in training and skill development opportunities in the areas of technology safety, stalking, danger and risk assessment, custody issues, resources for victims connected with the military, teen-dating violence prevention, human trafficking, interagency intervention, and manifestations of systemic racism.

SUPPORT GROUPS: Safe Homes' advocates facilitated seven trauma-informed support groups throughout the county and three groups in our shelter. Facilitated subjects included safety, accessing resources and self-care. Specialized groups were offered to children in our shelter, Spanish-speaking clients in El Abrazo de Mis Hermanas program, women incarcerated at Orange County Corrections Facility, Middletown Residential Boys Group Home, HONORehg (emergency housing) and RECAP (community action).

TEEN DATING VIOLENCE PREVENTION: In July, with funding from the Orange County Youth Bureau, Safe Homes hosted the first-ever student leadership academy, Summer Days = Safer Schools. Nine teens representing five school districts engaged in activities that helped them understand the warning signs of an abusive relationship, issues of oppression and social justice, and what a healthy dating relationship should feel and look like.

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COLLABORATION PROJECT: This collaboration was launched in 2009 to provide centralized services to victims of domestic violence with child protective cases and reduce re-victimization.

2012 Services

- **Safe Homes’ Non-Residential Programs**, through the Family Justice Center, served 386 new adult clients and 590 children; advocates worked with 3,557 clients on an ongoing basis.
- **Safe Homes’ Advocates** provide 1,801 emergency services and 5,414 advocacy services in the areas of court accompaniment, law enforcement, medical and social services, housing, employment and education.
- **Safe Homes’ Advocates** answered 3,853 hotline calls and 9,317 calls for information and referrals; advocates made 6,187 victim-outreach calls and follow-up calls on Domestic Incident Reports.
- **Safe Homes’ Education and Prevention Programs** for adults held 49 presentations, reaching an audience of approximately 2,884. The Teen Dating-Violence Prevention Program held 124 presentations and reached 2,689 teens.
- **The Safe Homes’ Shelter** provided services to 81 adult victims of domestic violence and 60 children.