Dear Friends,

The country’s struggling economic environment in 2010 produced mixed outcomes for the homeless and the community agencies that serve their needs. Hope House and its guests certainly experienced some of its troubling effects.

So it is with pleasure to report our continuing success, highlighted by the opening of the Johnston Center Residences - pictured on this report’s cover. The Johnston Center provides “Permanent Supportive Housing”, a model proven to keep chronically homeless adults off the streets and in safe affordable accommodations. The building also is a testament to the power of a collaboration effort that brought together Mercy Housing, owner of the property, with Hope House along with the financial support of Milwaukee County, the City of Milwaukee, the Department of Housing & Urban Development, and countless additional contributors.

The project’s ninety-one (91) apartment units were developed in the historic, but long vacant, Johnston Community Health Center building and its newly constructed addition. Three onsite Hope House case managers provide supportive services that offer the needed structure and resources to ensure that residents maintain their housing. The staff persons engage each resident with effective personal management strategies along with connection to critical services including transportation assistance, mental health and substance abuse counseling, protective payee money management, educational opportunities, primary healthcare, and community food distributions.

We are pleased to add the Johnston Center collaboration to the array of Hope House’s existing partnerships that provide innovative and creative solutions for Milwaukee’s homeless, as well as primary healthcare, anti-crime organizing, youth and adult educational programming, emergency food and community development projects. In addition, several alliances have been formed this year that hold the promise of the continued expansion of Hope House’s reach and effectiveness.

Through our proven strategy of partnership, bolstered by the financial assistance and encouragement of our friends, Hope House will strive to ‘End homelessness and build healthy communities’ far into the future.

Regards:

President: Laurel Nelson-Rowe
Executive Director: Kenneth Schmidt

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2010 Highlights

Provided stable housing for 184 singles and 49 families - including 122 children through our emergency and transitional shelter programs.

Increased financial security for 7 families and 51 individuals suffering from severe mental illness and other disabilities in our Protective Payee program.

Fostered academic success in our Shining Stars Youth Education program, with over 100 youth enrolled, as well as in our Pathways to Progress adult education program, graduating 15 individuals with their GED.

Improved neighborhood health by providing low-cost healthcare for nearly 3,000 individuals at our on-site Angel of Hope Clinic.

Responded to hunger affecting over 3,400 households - over 10,000 individuals, including children - through emergency food distribution at our United South Side Food Pantry.

Strengthened communities through neighborhood activities, including a street fair, holiday gift distribution, and the National Night Out.
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Northwestern Mutual Foundation has been a strong, consistent supporter of Hope House. Over the past eight years, The Foundation has given over $177,000 in support of our mission, including 2010’s $25,000 that directly supported Hope House’s housing programs. The recipients of the shelter, housing and supportive services include 184 single adults and 49 families. Hope House thanks Northwestern Mutual Foundation for its enduring commitment to our neighbors and guests as they work to build strong foundations for life.

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opportunities for personal, academic, and cultural growth. In the neighborhood with safe, structured, and positive contributions, Potawatomi Bingo Casino donated $33,247 in 2010, in support of the Shining Stars Youth Program. This contribution, through Miracle on Canal Street, helped to provide 108 children living on site and in the surrounding neighborhood with safe, structured, and positive opportunities for personal, academic, and cultural growth.

**Spotlight:**

Potawatomi Bingo Casino

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