

The Gift of Safety



FOR ALL SURVIVORS



IN YOUR COMMUNITY



EVERYWHERE.

HarborHouse
of Central Florida

Season's Greetings!

2011 has sure been a year to remember. We have seen community engagement in our area at an all-time high. Central Floridians are speaking out more than ever on issues that are important to the future of our neighborhoods and children. This heightened sense of community has been especially true in the quest to end domestic abuse and make every home in Central Florida safe.

Together, we have made a meaningful difference this year in the lives of thousands of survivors and children who are rebuilding their lives today at Harbor House.

In the newly opened Dr. P. Phillips Children's Center, a toddler enjoys a well-balanced lunch before napping in a clean, cozy and safe space. His four year old sister happily participates in dramatic-play during daily Learning Center time, a series of activities designed to develop cognitive and social skills. Their mother is assured that her children are safe and educated in a state-licensed facility while she is tending to legal matters, maintaining steady employment and saving for her family's future.

In an apartment complex outside downtown Orlando, an office manager returns home from work to see a door hanger with information on domestic abuse. She recognizes she is in an abusive relationship and decides to call Harbor House's 24-hour hotline. At a doctor's office not too far away, a family physician uses Harbor House's domestic abuse screening App and makes a referral that may save his patient's life.

These survivor stories are numerous and impressive – and they are all a result of your support. From the opening of the Children's Center to unprecedented public awareness and community education efforts, it's no wonder we are serving record numbers in our programs. Because of you, more survivors know about Harbor House is there to help and are empowered to break to the cycle of abuse.

Yet these important milestones have not been met without challenges. Harbor House is now facing a higher than ever demand for our services. While we continue our promise that our door will be open for every survivor, we need your help today to meet this increasing need. To make sure our door stays open, please, speak out against domestic abuse in our neighborhoods and consider a gift of safety to a survivor who will be in our shelter tonight.

\$50

Give one night of safe shelter.

\$350

Provide safety for a survivor family for one week.

\$1,000

Sponsor the full stay and scope of services for a family.



Every gift, no matter the size, is put to work to end domestic abuse in Central Florida.

On behalf of all of us at Harbor House, thank you for your partnership in this journey. We wish you a safe, Happy Holiday.

Sincerely,

Carol Wick, LMFT
CEO

December 31 is the deadline to contribute to your favorite charity and claim the gift amount on your 2011 tax return. If you own a stock or other asset that's gained value and you're willing to part with it, you can give it directly to charities that accept such gifts. The non-profit gets the stock that it can sell. You get to deduct the asset's value as a charitable gift. Even better, you won't owe any capital gains taxes on the appreciation (if you've owned the asset more than a year). The deduction you receive equals its current value and you can claim the full amount.