



Shelter from the storm

Residential Services

A hidden problem affecting our whole community. We see the impact of domestic violence around us every day. We see people who suffer in silence, children who haven't met their true potential, and a workplace where mysterious absences are often the result of unimaginable circumstances.

The YWCA operates two domestic violence facilities that provide safe, confidential, emergency shelter and support services to women and their children who are victims of domestic violence. The shelters offer a caring and non-threatening refuge where residents can be safe, find support, and use goal-setting techniques to plan for the future. Trained in crisis intervention counseling, advocates support women and their children as they examine the tactics and dynamics of domestic violence, develop a safety plan, explore options, problem solve, and learn about community resources.

2007 achievements:

Hall House served 127 individuals: 71 - women 56 - children

Ages: oldest - 78 years of age youngest - 2 weeks of age

Ethnicity: 70 - Caucasian 33 - African American 19 - Hispanic/Latina 5 - Asian

- 72% Secured safe alternative housing

Lucy's House served 37 individuals: 20 - women 17 - children

Ages: oldest - 53 years of age youngest - 1 week of age

Ethnicity: 23 - Caucasian 13 - African American 1 - Hispanic/Latina

- 76% Secured safe alternative housing
- City of Rome Emergency Shelter Grant awarded \$10,000 to Lucy's House