

# Annual Report: 2011-2012



## MISSION:

To serve the needs of Asian and Pacific Islander women and children impacted by domestic violence by providing a culturally competent safe haven that empowers them to achieve a life of human dignity.



## VISION:

My Sister's House seeks to eliminate domestic violence in the community, and empower women to achieve a life of human dignity.



## Highlights of My Sister's House 2011-2012 fiscal year

- Provided 2231 nights of shelter, utilities, food, and case management services to 46 Asian Pacific Islander and other women and children fleeing abuse.
- Helped with safety planning and giving information to over 1,800 crisis line phone calls, a 161% increase over the previous year.
- Assisted more than 250 women in our Women to Work Program.
- Gave certificates of completion to 32 new shelter advocates.
- Completed its largest federal grant funded program which enabled My Sister's House to provide culturally specific services, including the creation of a play, "Esperanza Means Hope."
- Provided more than 300 presentations regarding domestic violence and human trafficking, educating more than 5,100 people.
- Provided acupuncture, and mental health support and services to domestic violence survivors.
- Assisted more than 300 domestic violence victims with restraining orders, child custody, immigration and other legal issues.
- Celebrated our 11th Anniversary Gala "Stop! In the Name of Love" with more than 700 supporters.
- Continued providing training services at two local affordable housing complexes.
- Hosted a Human Trafficking conference with 200 law enforcement and social service providers attendees.

## Funder Highlights

- Soroptimists of the Sierra Nevada Region, an internationally based but locally represented women's civic service organization, raised more than \$10,000 to assist My Sister's House with the kitchen for its new transitional house.
- Sierra Health Foundation assisted My Sister's House build its capacity in developing a youth program to help prevent domestic violence / sexual assault.
- Blue Shield Foundation awarded My Sister's House a 2 year grant to help neighboring domestic violence organizations improve cultural competency in their programs.



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