

WINTER
newsletter
2023

Artemis  **Center**
Dayton's Domestic Violence Resource Agency



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

"I truly owe the Artemis Center everything because if it wasn't for them, I wouldn't have my attorneys, I wouldn't have the support and help that I needed, and I probably would have given up on myself a long time ago. This is my in-progress success story, but I am not done. I am still fighting, but I am never alone."

We received this message from a client earlier this year, and it is a message we will carry with us into 2023. We are honored to provide support, encouragement, care and resources to survivors of intimate partner violence and their children. We pride ourselves on being a light to help guide them and a positive source of validation for them. Surviving domestic violence can be a very lonely journey; a journey where one can question their own decisions, question their sanity, and question their courage. Our clinical team offers support, reflection, insights, and encouragement and hopefully helps reduce their feelings of isolation.

Thank you for all you do to support Artemis Center. May 2023 be a year where we as a community collectively shine a light on survivors' healing, reflections and successes. May many more survivors know they are never alone, and that Artemis is here to walk their path with them.

Wishing you all a safe, healthy and happy new year.

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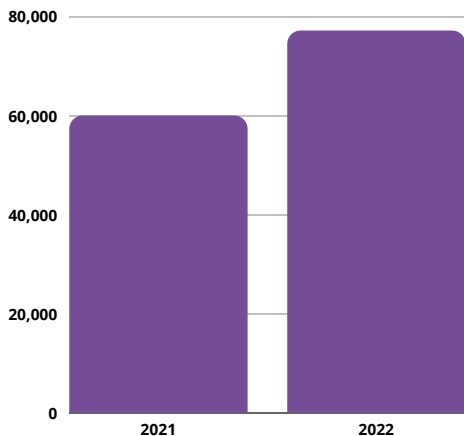
Yvonne Turner

Ohio's Hospice of Dayton

2022 Year End Appeal

Thank you for helping us
reach our fundraising goal!

Total Raised: **\$77,157**
Number of Donors: **207**
Average Donation: **\$373**



27.2% increase from 2021!



SURVIVOR STORY

As an advocate, I enjoyed facilitating support group for survivors. In 2021, my position changed from advocate to supervisor and my interactions with support group members decreased. Occasionally, I would receive an email or phone call from *Sandra, (name changed due to confidentiality) sharing an update on the status of her divorce case. One day a support group facilitator reached out to see if I was available to go to a court hearing with Sandra. I jumped at the chance! We planned to meet at Artemis the day of the hearing. When we first saw each other in person, we just hugged. It was so good to see her again.

Before the case was called, we sat in the hallway at Domestic Relations court and discussed how much growth I witnessed in her. I reminded her of the person I once knew, a woman who didn't like to turn her camera on for virtual support group sessions, to becoming the person before me now, asking detailed questions to her attorney and advocating for herself in her divorce proceedings. We walked into the courtroom, took several deep breaths together to help steady her nerves. She squeezed my hand while the attorney read over the final agreement. Sandra was ordered to pay her abuser alimony for the rest of his life. This was difficult for her to hear because earlier in the year he was found guilty of a felony domestic violence charge against her. Even though the two cases are separate, it just seemed unfair to her.

When the hearing ended, we quickly walked to a conference room and hugged again. We processed her feelings, she shared she felt like she lost in the divorce because she must pay him alimony. We talked about how a "win" doesn't look like what we thought it would and she was reminded how much she has overcome to get to this point. Sandra no longer lives in constant fear. Her life will look different moving forward, and even she is unsure what lies ahead, but what she does know is that she is free to make her own decisions without fear of abuse or retaliation.

**LAURA R.
CLINICAL SUPERVISOR**

2023 WISH LIST

- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- All-purpose cleaning spray
- Glass cleaning spray
- Disinfectant wipes
- Swiffer starter kits
- Laundry detergent/pods
- Dryer sheets
- Hand sanitizer
- Hand soap
- Dish soap
- Lip balm
- Hand/body lotion
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Deodorant
- Umbrellas
- Sunglasses
- Door stops
- Door & window alarms
- Individually packaged snacks
- Bottled water

We are always accepting donations of these items!

Drop-off is available at our office

Monday to Friday, 9am - 3pm.

SHOPPING PROGRAMS

Artemis Center is enrolled in several community giving shopping programs, so you can support us through your everyday errands!



**DOROTHY
LANE
MARKET**

Amazon Smile

Kroger Community Rewards

Dorothy Lane Market: Good Neighbor Program

Learn more at www.artemiscenter.org/ways-to-donate

OPEN HOUSE

JOIN US AT AN OPEN HOUSE THIS YEAR!
8:30 AM TO 10:00 AM

Wednesday, January 25th, 2023

Thursday, April 27th, 2023

Thursday, July 27th, 2023

Thursday, November 9th, 2023

Register at www.artemiscenter.org/events



BUILDING HOPE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

We were able to help **58 families** have a holiday season filled with a little more joy, thanks to our amazing donors!

Over **\$42,800** in total in-kind donations

647 gift cards donated, totaling over **\$25,800**





Thank You

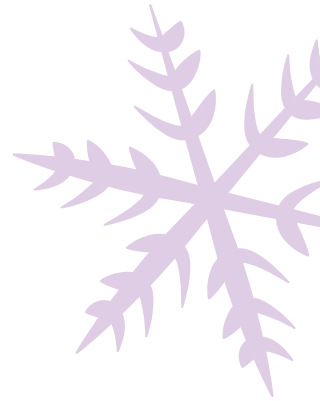
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2023 Events

JANUARY:

25th: Open House

FEBRUARY:

*Teen Dating Violence
Awareness Month*

MARCH:

Women's History Month

APRIL:

*Sexual Assault
Awareness Month*

27th: Open House

JULY:

27th: Open House

OCTOBER:

*Domestic Violence
Awareness Month*

12th: Breaking the Cycle
Fundraising Breakfast

Breaking the Cycle
Virtual 5k+

NOVEMBER:

9th: Open House

28th: Giving Tuesday

DECEMBER:

Building Hope
Holiday Program

*Our hotline operates 24/7, regardless of days
the office may be closed.



Child Therapist & Family Therapist

To apply, please submit a resume and cover letter to our Clinical Director, Annie Duke at annied@artemiscenter.org.

**Read the full job descriptions at
www.artemiscenter.org/employment**



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**We always welcome volunteers!
Here are some of the ways you can help:**

- Cell phone drive coordinators
- Onsite pantry volunteers
- Holiday program volunteers
- Special Event Support
- General Administrative Support
- Babysitters

We also need part-time hotline volunteers. You will receive extensive training, and your time commitment can be discussed.

**Apply to become a volunteer at
www.artemiscenter.org/get-involved**

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If you or someone you know is in
need of help, call our 24/7 Hotline at
937-461-HELP(4357)





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