

# Hope and Healing

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>Since 1975, women have chosen The Julian Center as a source of strength and a place of refuge in dealing with life's challenges.

>The Counseling Center continues to specialize in trauma therapy for women and children victims of abuse and assault.

>Since 1982, women have turned to The Julian Center's 24-hour Shelter to escape abusive relationships and find safety for themselves and their children.



The Julian Center

## Transitional Housing : Producing Positive Results

Transitional housing is a comprehensive, therapeutic and educational program designed to incorporate awareness, accountability, responsibility, and empowerment of women in a protected positive atmosphere.

Over the past quarter, employment numbers have increased within the transitional housing program despite the economic downturn.

All 13 residents who were in the program during this quarter were either involved in an educational or job training program or were employed. Fields of employment included: retail, food service, house-keeping and care of the

elderly. In addition to an increase in employment numbers, the employment retention rates continue to increase with 5 of 13 residents retaining employment after 6 months.

As employment increases, the decision was also made to use available funding through the supportive services of the SHP grant to provide the Consumer Credit Counseling program through Momen-tive. The topics focused on in this program range from basic money management skills to investing basics.

In addition, a class entitled Dollars & \$ense provided by two volunteer wealth management analysts from JP Morgan, will focus on

helping attendees understand and develop a better understanding of personal finance. Class topics will include credit cards, personal banking, renting, and budgeting.

Through the transitional housing program, residents strive to obtain knowledge that will provide the foundation and skills necessary for them to lead more disciplined, productive and safe lifestyles.

**did you know?**  
 ...nearly 21,000 women in Marion County are physically abused in domestic relationships each year.

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## Give Back to the Community: Vote for Chase Community Giving

If you are currently a member of Facebook (or want to be), the Chase Community Foundation is giving away \$5 million to the Top 100 non-profit vote getters as voted by Facebook users.

All you have to do is log into Facebook, install the application, and become a

Fan of the Chase Community Foundation. Then you are awarded 20 votes to vote for your favorite non-profits.

There is a graphic on The Julian Center's web page at [www.juliancenter.org](http://www.juliancenter.org)

That link will take you to where you can sign up and use Chase Community Giving and vote for your favorite non-profits!

Voting closes on December 15th. Please vote and encourage all your friends to as well.

**The Julian Center is Featured in Indiana Lawyer Magazine**

In late October, The Julian Center was featured in the Indiana Lawyer Magazine as the winner of Law-related Not For Profits. The magazine article read as follows: “The Julian Center in Indianapolis is a known safe haven for domestic violence victims. Clients of the center can meet with advocates and counselors to determine their next steps, whether it’s how to file for a protective order, find a safe place for them and possibly their children, or to learn about other available resources. While the reason for going to The Julian Center is the same for all the women it serves, its clients represent various races, religions, and economic conditions. The center also helps clients who

don’t speak English as a native language with the aid of staff members who speak French, Thai, Spanish, Urdu, and Hindi. And in tough economic times, the need for services from organizations like The Julian Center has only increased as economic stressors take a toll on couples and families, regardless of their backgrounds. To further assist victims, advocates at the center were given access earlier this year to a computer system to enter information for protective-order petitions, which would also be accessible to the Marion County Clerk’s office. Other than helping file protective-order petitions, the center has had a legal services department since

September 2005. In 2008, the Heartland Pro Bono Council recognized the importance of the legal team with a grant for a new hire. The legal department now has one full-time attorney, three part-time attorneys, and one full-time paralegal. Law students from Indiana University School of Law – Indianapolis have also volunteered for the center. This fall, the center partnered with the Indianapolis Bar Association, Heartland Pro Bono Council, Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic, Barnes & Thornburg, and Baker & Daniels to host immigration and family law CLE sessions.”



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**Support The Julian Center through Creation Café**

During the Holiday Season, Creation Cafe is offering 2 ways to support The Julian Center.

From now until December 12th, if you bring in an item for donation, you will receive a free soft drink with your meal, and then on December 12th, Santa Clause will be visiting the restaurant.

With your lunch, you are welcome to take a FREE picture of your children with Santa. A portion of the proceeds from that day will go to The Julian Center.

The Creation Café is located at 337 West 11th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202 in the newly restored Buggs Temple.

You can find out more information about The Creation Café at <http://www.indycanal.com>.

Our website has a flyer that you can look at as well. See it at <http://www.juliancenter.org/Events/CreationCafe.html>

**Donate to The Julian Center with Flowers**

The Julian Center and From You Flowers have partnered to offer Julian Center supporters a special way to donate to The Julian Center.

The next time you would like to send flowers to someone you love, order through From You Flowers by going to [www.fromyouflowers.com](http://www.fromyouflowers.com)

or calling 1-800-838-8853.

The Julian Center Reference Code is 528 and is only necessary for phone orders.

All internet orders made using the from you flowers link or by phone with the reference code will directly benefit The Julian Center.

The Julian Center will receive 20% of the order price while you receive access to a complete selection of personal and corporate floral and gift items appropriate for any occasion and every sentiment. This includes fresh flowers, plants, balloons, and gift baskets.



**Success at The Julian Jam**

Recently, The Julian Center held it's 10th annual Julian Jam fundraising event on Friday November 13th, 2009 at The Madame Walker Theatre Center in downtown Indianapolis.

The evening included a live band, dancing, cash bar, silent auction and buffet dinner with individual tickets set at \$20 per person..

The Julian Jam presented by Ratio Architects, Inc., Barnes & Thornburg, LLC, and Meyer Najem Construction, LLC had roughly three hundred attendees.

That evening The Julian Center raised approximately \$45,000 dollars through corporate sponsorships, individual ticket sales, general donations, 50/50 raffle, the

prize table, Fund-A-Need, and the Silent Auction.

The proceeds for the event went directly to help underwrite the children's programming at The Julian Center and in particular, the onsite therapy program for child victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault.



**The Upcoming Starlight Ball**

The next annual Julian Center fundraising event is The Starlight Ball which is to be held on March 20th, 2010 at the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis.

Individual tickets are \$90 and can be purchased online or by contacting Molly Barrick at mbarrick@juliancenter.org or 317.941.2220.

Sponsorship opportunities are available if you are interested please contact:

Kayla Murphy at kmurphy@juliancenter.org or 317.941.2215.

The evening of The Starlight Ball will include a cocktail reception with hors d'oeuvres to be followed by the silent auction, dinner and dancing.

Musical entertainment has not yet been determined.

Please keep in mind this is a formal event and is black tie optional. Check our website for more details to come soon.

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**Your Online Shopping Can Benefit The Julian Center**

This year do your Holiday shopping online and benefit The Julian Center. You can make a donation to The Julian Center simply by shopping at some of your favorite online retailers at no extra cost to you!

Follow the simple directions at : <http://www.juliancenter.org/goodshop.html> and select from

over 700 retailers, make your purchases, and make a donation to The Julian Center at NO extra cost for you.

Each participating store has its own donation level and restrictions, so make sure you read everything about a given store before you make your purchase. Some participating stores in-

clude: Amazon.com, Apple Store, Banana Republic, Best Buy, Expedia.com, Home Depot, Target and Walmart.

So happy shopping, and thank you for supporting The Julian Center!

Your business tag line here.

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The Julian Center is a nonprofit agency providing counseling, safe shelter, and education for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and other life crises. Through outreach and consultation, we also seek to educate the community about the issue of domestic violence and its impact on all our lives.

Our programs and services are designed to contribute to a significant reduction in the incidence of domestic violence and sexual assault, to support survivors in healing, and to help break the intergenerational cycle of abuse.



**1501 West 86th Street,  
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in Marsh Plaza  
**Hours: Monday-Friday  
10-6 & Saturday 9-5**

### What YOU should KNOW!

#### Thrifty Threads

##### Volunteer or Donate!

Thrifty Threads relies in good part on volunteer help to keep the store operating. If you are interested in volunteering at Thrifty Threads, call our Volunteer Coordinator at 317.941.2212

Donations are gratefully accepted at Thrifty threads anytime during regular store hours.

#### Upcoming Events

The Starlight Ball will be held Saturday, March 20th, 2010 at the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis.

For information on ticket sales contact Molly Barrick at [mbarrick@juliancenter.org](mailto:mbarrick@juliancenter.org)

For information on sponsorships contact Kayla Murphy at [kmurphy@juliancenter.org](mailto:kmurphy@juliancenter.org).

#### Thank You

The staff and clients of The Julian Center would like to express our sincere appreciation for your generous contributions to our agency during our recent appeal for funds.