What words come to mind when we think of Blackburn Center’s donors?
Dear Friends,

Blackburn Center Against Domestic & Sexual Violence was founded in 1976 by concerned members of the community who saw a need for services for rape victims in Westmoreland County. By 1978, that mission had expanded to include victims of domestic violence. Blackburn Center is now one of the oldest sexual assault and domestic violence agencies in Pennsylvania.

Unfortunately, the incidence of domestic and sexual violence, both locally and across the country, has not decreased in the 37 years that Blackburn Center has been providing services in Westmoreland County. In fact, a government report released in 2008 showed startling increases in incidents of domestic violence, rape, and sexual assault over a two-year period in the United States: a 42% increase in reported domestic violence and a 25% increase in the reported incidence of rape and sexual assault from 2005 to 2007.

For Blackburn Center, that means that we need to find the resources to sustain and expand the services for victims that Westmoreland County has come to rely on. We are committed to doing exactly that, and continue to be heartened by the support we receive from the community.

It also reinforces the urgency to emphasize the transformative part of our mission: to actively advocate for the rights of all people to live free from violence and oppression in their homes and communities. We must redouble our efforts to attack the root causes of domestic and sexual violence so that we don’t see these startling increases in the incidence of these crimes, and so that our services at some point in the future are no longer needed.

We see encouraging trends that indicate change is starting… the kind of changes in our culture that could lead to a decrease in gender violence. Social media, in its potential to reach a large audience, has emerged as a powerful tool in calling out the behaviors that are at the root of this violence: that of perpetrators, and of the community-at-large in accepting gender violence as inevitable. Blackburn Center is seizing this moment with a new focus on social media to encourage and capitalize on these developments.

We are committed to insuring that anyone who needs help knows how to get that help, to creating awareness and understanding of the underlying ‘root cause’ factors in our society that contribute to a culture that enables gender violence, and to evoking a sense of personal activism in the Westmoreland County community.

Our client and education services are available because of the generous contributions of individuals, churches, civic organizations, businesses, and foundations. Our work is the work of this community. You make our mission come alive in Westmoreland County.

Sincerely,

Ann M. Emmerling
Executive Director

Rob Hohn
President, Board of Directors
Services from July 2012 to June 2013

Counseling/Therapy
• Hotline calls ................................................................................................................................. 3,564
• Counseling hours provided ............................................................................................................ 10,705
• New clients ......................................................................................................................................... 3,049

Emergency shelter for battered women and their dependent children.
• Days of shelter provided .................................................................................................................. 5,263
• Women and children sheltered ........................................................................................................ 176

Advocacy/accompaniment at emergency rooms, PFA hearings, District Justice hearings and trials.
• Medical advocacy contacts ............................................................................................................ 137
• Legal advocacy contacts .............................................................................................................. 1,514

Student awareness programs in Westmoreland County schools, preschool through college.
• School programs – domestic violence .......................................................................................... 366
• School programs – sexual assault .............................................................................................. 2,286
• Students and teachers participating in awareness programs (unduplicated) .................. 23,239

Annual Report Summary

Revenue and Support
Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence ........................................................................... 371,114
Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape ................................................................................................ 257,364
Victims of Crime Act ....................................................................................................................... 176,203
STOP Violence Against Women Act ............................................................................................. 49,237
Other Government Funding .............................................................................................................. 61,635
Contributions ................................................................................................................................... 342,235
Other Income .................................................................................................................................... 51,356
Total Revenue and Support .............................................................................................................. $1,309,144

Expenses
Program Services ............................................................................................................................... 1,043,135
Management & General ................................................................................................................ 177,914
Fundraising ..................................................................................................................................... 44,512
Total Expenses .................................................................................................................................. $1,265,561

Amount of each $1 spent on Program Services* ............................................................................ $0.82

*see page 3 for full list of Program Services.

Blackburn Center Contact Information
Office: 724-837-9540
Fax: 724-837-3676
Hotline: 724-836-1122
Toll Free Hotline: 1-888-832-2272
Website: www.blackburncenter.org

A copy of official registration and financial information for Blackburn Center may be obtained from the PA Department of State by calling within Pennsylvania 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.
Programs and Services

Hotline • The 24-hour hotline provides crisis counseling to survivors of sexual assault, incest, domestic violence, and sexual harassment. The hotline is often the first contact victims have with an organization dedicated to their safety and healing. The hotline is available to anyone who needs help—survivors, their families and friends, and professionals who seek information about how they might better meet the needs of their clients who are victims. Our counselors have received training in the dynamics of domestic violence and sexual assault and understand the complex issues involved.

Emergency Shelter • Temporary emergency shelter is available to battered women and their children. The shelter provides a safe, comfortable haven where a battered woman can plan for her future. Residents may stay up to 30 days in a six-month period.

Counseling and Therapy • Blackburn Center provides in-person crisis counseling to survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. In addition, sexual assault therapy services are available by appointment for women, children, and men.

Support Groups • Blackburn Center’s staff facilitates weekly support groups for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault to explore their strengths, resources and options. Group participants may include:
- Female victims of domestic violence.
- Children of female victims of domestic violence.
- Adults sexually abused as children.
- Sexual assault/harassment victims.
- Significant others of sexual assault victims.
- Incarcerated female victims of domestic or sexual violence (County Prison).

Medical Advocacy/Accompaniment • Medical advocates meet survivors of abuse at medical facilities in Westmoreland County in order to provide support during medical examinations and information about available options and resources.

Legal Advocacy/Accompaniment • Legal advocates accompany survivors of abuse and their significant others during PFA hearings, Magisterial District Justice hearings, and trials, and provide support, encouragement, and information about available options and resources.

Community Education Programs • Any organization interested in learning more about the issues of domestic violence and sexual assault can schedule a speaker by calling Blackburn Center.

Student Awareness Programs • Blackburn Center provides prevention/awareness programs to Westmoreland County schools, preschool through 12th grade, and area colleges.

In-Service Trainings • Blackburn Center provides professional in-service training on the issues of domestic violence, sexual assault and sexual harassment to police, courts, paramedics, medical personnel, teachers, counselors, etc., to ensure appropriate response to survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

Volunteers

In the beginning, we were a group of dedicated volunteers; since 1976, we have grown to a staff of 28 to join those volunteers. And dedicated volunteers remain at the core of what we do.

Because of volunteers, our hotline is answered every hour of every day (and night), our shelter is always open, and domestic violence and sexual assault victims will be met with comfort and support at local hospitals. Volunteers also help our message reach far into the community through health fairs and our Speakers Bureau, and provide invaluable administrative support.

All volunteers providing direct services to clients complete a training program that prepares them to be crisis intervention counselors. For those who help in non-direct service such as event planning and office activities, only a brief orientation is required.

Please join us. We need your dedication.

Call Beth at 724-837-9540, extension 114.
Support from the community, through contributions and governmental support, is invested in services for victims of domestic and sexual violence, and education programs for the community.

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- Adelphi Village
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- Buchanan Church of God WCSC, Acme
- Calvin United Presbyterian Church, Scottdale
- Calvin United Presbyterian Church Women - Scottdale
- Carlow University, Greensburg
- Charter Oak Mops, Greensburg
- Chestnut Ridge Lions Club, Jones Mills
- Christ Episcopal Church Women, Greensburg
- Christ the Divine Teacher School, Latrobe
- Christ United Church of Christ, Latrobe
- Christ United Methodist Church, Scottdale
- Christ United Methodist Church Mary & Martha Ministry, Youngwood
- Christ United Methodist Church Men’s Group, Youngwood
- Christ United Methodist Church Women’s Group, Youngwood
- Church of St. Anne, Belle Vernon
- Church of the Brethren Women’s Fellowship, Latrobe
- Church Women United in Pennsylvania, Harrisburg
- Clover Ridge Tuesday Bible Study, Pittsburgh
- Comfort Scarves of SWPA
- Community United Methodist Church, Irwin
- Community United Methodist Church Super Seniors, Irwin
- Community United Presbyterian Church, New Alexandria
- Community Women’s Club of Level Green
- Congregation Emanu-El Israel, Greensburg
- Congruity Presbyterian Church, New Alexandria
- Denmark Manor United Church of Christ, Export
- East Huntingdon Lioness Club
- Eastgate Aglow, Delmont
- Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Export
- Emmanuel Lutheran Church Women, Export
- Excele Health - Frick CRM Department
- Excele Health - Latrobe Nursing Staff
- F.O.E. #1812, Derry
- Faith United Methodist Church Delmont
- Tabitha Circle, Apollo
- Faith United Methodist Church, Greensburg
- First Assembly of God, Scottdale
- First Baptist Church of Greensburg
- First Baptist Church of Scottdale

The levels of giving represent the total of gifts from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.
“The true meaning of life is to plant trees, under whose shade you do not expect to sit.”

– Nelson Henderson

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Greater Latrobe Senior High School
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Queen of Angels School, North Huntingdon
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