



20th Anniversary Celebration

*Changing Seasons,
Changing Lives*



Who We Are



Lena Logvina, Mosaic

WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1995 as a shared ministry of the Sisters of St. Benedict, Sisters of Mercy and the Sisters of St. Joseph, Erie DAWN addresses the underlying root causes of homelessness by working with women to build assets - both tangible and intangible - for their future. Our goal is to provide homeless women and their children with a home, while giving them the support, resources and tools they need to achieve economic self-sufficiency and permanent housing.

WHO WE SERVE

Erie DAWN welcomes any adult woman who meets the following guidelines:

- Is single and homeless, with or without children, and has a job earning a minimum of \$1,000 a month
- Is committed to following strict requirements
- Has rehabilitation in place for any mental health, drug or alcohol issues and is drug-free

WHY IT WORKS

Housing is the first step on the road to self-sufficiency. Through relationships with landlords, mentors, volunteers and various agencies the families receive support, resources and tools they need to achieve economic self-sufficiency and permanent housing.

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS!

For its twentieth anniversary year, Erie DAWN used the changing seasons to illustrate the transformation that program participants undergo as they work through the program. As part of our 20 year celebration we were pleased to honor Sr. Phyllis Hilbert, SSJ the first director, Bob Glowacki, the first lay board president and landlord, and Naomi Duke, the first graduate. The evening was a true celebration of the many people that have supported and benefited from The Erie DAWN program.



Changing Seasons, Changing Lives Event
Barb Yerace, Lena Logvina, Alice DeGeorge,
David DeGeorge, Michelle Zewe, Marlee Malpiedi



Ryan Murphy, April Murphy,
Naomi Duke, Doreen Overly, and Bryan Harvey



Maureen Dunn, Naomi Duke,
Bob Glowacki



Kim Hitchcock, Sr. Phyllis Hilbert, SSJ,
and Noel Burgoyne

Erie DAWN Works

Letter from the Director

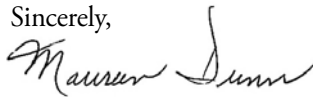
A change in seasons is always a time for reflection. Winter to spring, summer to fall...these transitions often provide us with an opportunity to pause and reflect on where we are as an organization. For the past 20 years, Erie DAWN has been addressing a critical need in our community—transitional housing for homeless women and children. These women are faced with problems such as domestic abuse, catastrophic medical bills, or loss of employment. They need time to get back on their feet and have a safe place to live.

The seeds of growth are planted—relationship-building, budgeting, home inspections, job training, and social/emotional skills. Erie DAWN participants begin to transform their lives. The fruit of their labor won't be visible right away; the participants need time to work through the Erie DAWN programming.

Having done the hard work, each woman is ready to experience the rich harvest found in a full, self-sufficient life. She has reached her fullest growth and blossoms with the self-confidence and resilience needed to turn any season into a season of HOPE!

Thanks to you we are pleased to say, 20 years later, and hundreds of families served, Erie DAWN continues to give hope and housing to so many families.

Sincerely,



Maureen Dunn, *Executive Director*



1ST ANNUAL

Tee it up for
GOLF TOURNAMENT



Thank you to all who participated in our “Tee it up” for Erie Dawn golf tournament as part of our 20 Year Celebration!



Team Accudyn:
Kelly Byer, Danielle Bates,
Janel Bonsell, and Peg Bly



Our Golf Tournament Champions:
L-R, John Lipchik, Jim Dammeyer
Bill Leonard, and Chip Shamburg



Elena Salvia, Ann Chido
Susan Sullivan, and Debbie Uht



Judy Kadlup, Alice Feehley Maus,
Kris Waskiewicz





Graduate: Char

The experience that Char has had with Erie DAWN has come full circle. Char is not only a graduate of the Erie DAWN program, she is also a current board member. Her willingness to give back to the program that helped her is a testament not only to her own transformation, but also to the fact that the program works.

Char is employed as a Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner in the field of psychiatry. After earning both her associate's and master's degrees in nursing from Gannon University, Char is currently studying at Capella University for a Doctorate in Nursing.

“Through my life experience and experience as an Erie DAWN graduate, I hope to be able to support and forward the mission of the program,” Char says.



Char Riddle, Charles Riddle, Rich Brawn,
and Dee McIntyre

Erie DAWN Activities



Christmas at Erie DAWN



Sade and her son



Isiah having fun at the Erie DAWN
Halloween party



Cooking Day



Our Garden



Crystal and her Son

Current Participant: Crystal

Crystal came to Erie DAWN in June 2015. As a single mom of a 2-year-old child, she knew that she needed to get her life in order. “I want to be living on my own comfortably and to be pushed in the right direction instead of going backward,” Crystal says.

Crystal has already made significant progress toward reaching her goals. She completed the Certified Nursing Assistant program through Corry Manor, which enabled her to secure a full-time CNA position at the LECOM Senior Living Center. In addition, she is living in an apartment owned by the Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network.

Crystal told Erie DAWN that she wanted the program to challenge her to reach her highest potential. With the guidance of supportive staff members and her own work in the Erie DAWN program, she is well on her way.



Crystal and son with LECOM intern Keren Kohath



Crystal, Whitney and children enjoy the zoo with LECOM intern Kara Finnegan



Whitney and her mentor, Mary



Home Sweet Home
Whitney and her children

Current Participant: Whitney

Whitney came to Erie DAWN in June 2015 because the program had helped her mother to accomplish a lot. “I’m hoping to do the same,” Whitney says.

As a young single mom with three children, Whitney needed some extra help and guidance. Having become pregnant as a teenager, Whitney did not complete high school and thought her opportunities were limited. Working with Erie DAWN has helped her to see possibilities she didn’t know she could achieve.

Currently enrolled in a GED course, Whitney is working as a home health care aide. She also has a positive relationship with her mentor, Mary. One of her goals is to learn how to stay on track financially. Since each program participant studies financial literacy, Whitney is learning how to manage her finances and to become self-sufficient.



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Through support and partnerships with many organizations, Erie DAWN is able to provide supportive and caring services to homeless women and children during each and every season of the year.

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The following from MONAHAN & MONAHAN, P.C., is the statement of activities of total support, revenue and expenses for Erie DAWN, Inc, for the year ended June 30, 2015.

SUPPORT AND REVENUE	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
County of Erie - Project Reach	\$ —	\$ 125,648	\$ —	\$ 125,648
County of Erie - Drug and Alcohol	—	35,198	—	35,198
Corporate and agency grants	11,150	—	—	11,150
Contributions	232,237	—	—	232,237
Donated services, supplies and facilities	59,007	—	—	59,007
Rent income	24,781	—	—	24,781
Investment income, net	3,078	—	—	3,078
Other	2,656	—	—	2,656
Subtotal	<u>332,909</u>	<u>160,846</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>493,755</u>
Net assets released from restriction	163,505	(160,846)	(2,659)	—
Total support and revenue	<u>\$496,414</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(2,659)</u>	<u>\$493,755</u>
EXPENSES	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Program services				
Supportive housing	\$ 240,043	\$ —	—	240,043
		—		
Supporting services				
Management and general	103,488	—	—	103,488
Fundraising	28,989	—	—	28,989
Total expenses	<u>372,520</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>372,520</u>
Sub-Total (Loss)	<u>123,894</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(2,659)</u>	<u>121,235</u>
Unrealized gain (loss) investment	(870)	—	—	(870)
Increase (decrease) in net assets	123,024	—	(2,659)	120,365
Net assets at beginning of year	188,554	—	2,659	191,213
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$311,578</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$311,578</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



Erie Gives Day 2015



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Board member Liz McCormick and her husband Tim enjoying the 20th Anniversary Celebration

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Jady (right) and her mentor, Judy (left)



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