



RESTORE
2011 Annual Report

Thank You to Our Supporters



The shocking fact that there are thousands of trafficking victims living in New York City is a dark reality we face every day. The work we do at Restore NYC is challenging. But the numbers and stories in this report represent lives that have been transformed by your support. They are testaments to the power of compassion and hope. We press forward because we know that victories are possible and have witnessed the peace that healing can provide to even the most broken lives.

We are filled with gratitude when thinking of each and every survivor whose life has been rebuilt this past year. It is with great joy that I share with you highlights from our work in 2011 and thank you for being our partner in our ongoing mission.

Warmest Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Faith Huckel'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Faith Huckel
Executive Director

What We Do

OUR MISSION

Restore NYC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to restoring freedom, safety and hope for foreign-born survivors of sex trafficking by providing long-term, holistic aftercare services. We work with local and federal officials and other organizations to facilitate the prosecution of traffickers and empower survivors. Our groundbreaking safehouse program features the first and only long-term safehouse dedicated to foreign-born survivors of sex trafficking in New York City.



HOW DOES RESTORE NYC PROVIDE AFTERCARE?

DIRECT SERVICES

- Case management
- Court advocacy
- Counseling
- Translation services
- Employment assistance
- ESL tutoring
- GED tutoring
- Financial counseling
- Optional spiritual guidance
- Mentoring
- Art and yoga therapy
- Transportation subsidies

REFERRED SERVICES

- Medical screenings
- Dental screenings
- Health education
- Legal services
- Transitional shelters

ADDITIONAL SAFEHOUSE PROGRAM SERVICES

- Duration of stay up to 12 months
- Culturally-sensitive residential community
- Staffed by multilingual live-in coordinators
- Job training
- Community-based mentoring

WHO WE WORK WITH

- The FBI Victim Assistance Program
- New York City Criminal Court, Queens County
- New York City Police Department
- New York State Anti-Trafficking Coalition
- U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Sanctuary for Families
- New York Asian Women's Center
- The Coalition Against Trafficking in Women

Challenges Faced By Trafficking Survivors

RESTORE NYC REMAINS COMMITTED TO TOTAL RECOVERY

PHYSICAL

- Disease (STDs, HIV/AIDS)
- Pregnancy/ abortion
- Substance abuse
- Physical injuries
- Safety concerns

LEGAL

- Illegal immigration
- Criminal charges e.g., prostitution
- Matrimonial disputes
- Child custody battles

MENTAL

- Post-traumatic stress disorder
- Depression, anxiety, and/ or thoughts of suicide
- Emotional dependence on abuser

SOCIETAL

- Language and cultural barriers
- Ostracized by community/ stigma
- Lack of support network
- Lack of life skills

FINANCIAL

- Lack of livelihood and opportunity
- Lack of education
- Homelessness

Any single one of these challenges alone is tough to treat and overcome; the combination results in an extremely complicated and lengthy process for both the individual and service providers.

The level of trauma experienced by trafficking survivors is “in the same range as treatment-seeking combat veterans and victims of state-organized torture.”



Source: U.S. Department of State, *Trafficking in Persons Report*, June 3, 2005 (<http://www.state.gov/g/tip/rls/tiprpt/2005/46606.htm>)

Trafficking in New York

THE NEED FOR LOCAL AFTERCARE SERVICES

Approximately 1,606 survivors of human trafficking sought services in the New York metropolitan area in 2010. Each survivor requires a range of services to transition to a life free from traffickers. Failure to receive the appropriate services significantly increases the likelihood of negative consequences, including re-trafficking.

The following table lists identified service needs, the percentage of victims that require each service, and the percentage of victims that actually receive each service.



SERVICE	SERVICE NEEDED %	SERVICE PROVIDED %
Counseling	94.3%	79.7%
Long-term housing	86.6%	3.9%
Life-skills training	83.2%	72%
Medical Care including dental & vision	80.9%	2.2%
Formal/General education	74.8%	0.3%
Employment placement	68.0%	18.8%
Employment related education/training	67.7%	27.9%
Emergency housing	64.9%	35.9%
Child care and child related expenses	34.8%	4.3%
Legal services	38.7%	40.3%
English language classes	20.9%	6.2%

*"No one in my whole life has ever helped me like this before."
- Restore Client*

Source: Gregory M. Maney, Ph.D. "Meeting the Service Needs of Human Trafficking Survivors in the New York City Metropolitan Area: Assessment and Recommendations"

Program Summary

2011 CASE MANAGEMENT RESULTS

99 clients received services from Restore NYC in 2011



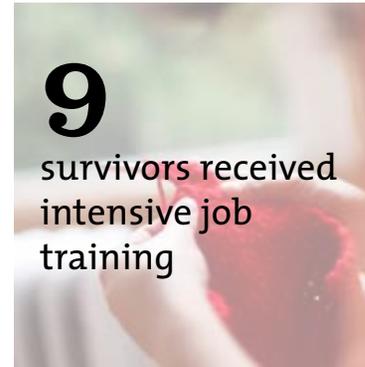
100%
survivors received case management and counseling services



14
survivors received job referrals



10
survivors received long-term housing



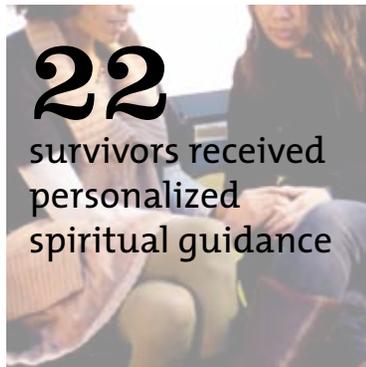
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survivors received intensive job training



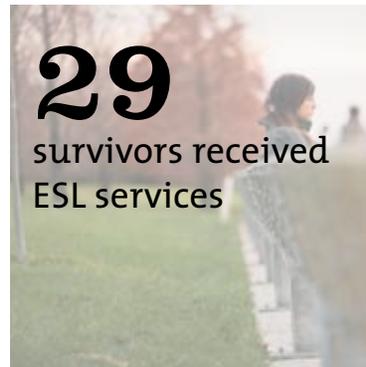
18
survivors received immigration assistance



50
survivors participated in Restore's yoga program



22
survivors received personalized spiritual guidance



29
survivors received ESL services



84
survivors received court advocacy services



28
survivors received medical screenings

"I'm very grateful for everything the counselor taught me. There are too many things to say about how thankful I am but I can't write them all." - Restore Client

Finding A Home

THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY FOR TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS

by Stella S., Restore Case Manager

As a counselor at Restore, I learned there's no one formula that will instantly provide healing to trafficking survivors. Instead, there are many small acts of kindness and service that will help a survivor find renewed hope in a better life. One particular survivor comes to mind when I think of the intangibles of the healing process and the importance of community.

Sarah*, 17, was trafficked by her “boyfriend” from Honduras to the State of Virginia. Her trafficker physically abused her and forced her into sexual slavery. When authorities arrested her trafficker and rescued Sarah in September, she was admitted to a hospital for psychiatric treatment and diagnosed with depression. During her hospitalization, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) contacted Restore. After a few days in the hospital, Sarah arrived at our safehouse with nothing but a couple personal belongings and bottles of antidepressants and sleeping pills.

Initially, Sarah was lifeless, visibly fearful and profoundly depressed. She was unhealthily dependent on her “boyfriend” and still asked for him, clinging to her last-known idea of security. When I asked her what she was most sad about, she

answered, “I always feel lonely. I don't have a place.” Breaking down into tears, I asked Sarah if she knew whose house she was currently in. She shook her head asking, “no, whose house is it?” When I told her “this is *your* home,” her spirit immediately lifted.

After that meeting, Sarah underwent a rapid transformation. She began developing relationships with the other women in the safehouse as they cooked, ate and maintained their home together. Within just two weeks, she felt centered, rooted and secure and no longer needed to take antidepressants or sleeping pills. When DHS temporarily took Sarah back to Virginia to complete immigration and employment paperwork, she called her new community just to say: “I miss everyone and I want to come HOME” - she finally felt like she belonged.

The effects of community may be difficult to quantify, but I've witnessed its importance firsthand. Today, Sarah still lives in the Restore safehouse. She has obtained part-time employment and wants to learn English. She is a living testament to the incomparable healing effects of family, community and sacrificial love.



Raising Public Awareness

PREVENTING TRAFFICKING THROUGH EDUCATION

In addition to facilitating the prosecution of traffickers and providing survivor aftercare, Restore NYC works to prevent trafficking by actively participating in public awareness campaigns, educating key stakeholders and working with government officials.

2011 HIGHLIGHTS

- New York State Senator Jose R. Peralta invited Restore to speak at a press conference about the introduction of a bill meant to curb the “free delivery” of women offered by local pimps and shuttling of johns.
- The New York City Council Committees on Women’s Issues and General Welfare invited Executive Director Faith Huckel to testify at a hearing regarding the current state of sex trafficking in New York City.
- A Mexican delegation participating in the U.S. Department of State’s International Visitor Program titled “Combating Trafficking in Persons” visited Restore’s safehouse to learn about survivor services.
- Restore Executive Director Faith Huckel spoke on a panel at a screening of Sex+Money: At a screening of Sex+Money: A National Search for Human Worth, Restore Executive Director Faith Huckel participated in a panel to speak about the modern-day abolitionist movement.
- The Classy Awards, the largest philanthropic awards ceremony in the country, named Executive Director Faith Huckel Young Nonprofit Leader of the Year, allowing Faith to raise awareness about the importance of effective aftercare services for trafficking survivors.
- Restore testified before a joint hearing of the City Council’s Transportation and Women’s Issues Committees regarding proposed legislation that would penalize drivers who knowingly transport prostitutes.
- Executive Director Faith Huckel was the featured guest speaker at the first meeting of the Women’s Network of Wells Fargo Bank’s International Group.
- Restore joined the Coalition Against Trafficking in Women (CATW) and several other organizations to protest Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC, owner of Backpage.com, to bring attention to their facilitation of, and profiting from, sex trafficking.
- Restore Chairman of the Board David Hung represented Restore at *The Abolition of Modern-Day Slavery, Part 1: Human Trafficking*, hosted by the Umoja Ministry.



Executive Director Faith Huckel accepts an Award for Young Nonprofit Leader of the Year.

One Year Volunteering At The Safehouse

A Q&A WITH YVONNE, RESTORE'S FIRST LIVE-IN SAFEHOUSE COORDINATOR



Yvonne was Restore's first live-in safehouse coordinator from 2010 to 2011.

WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

From the sunny state of California!

WHY DID YOU MOVE ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO WORK AS A SAFEHOUSE COORDINATOR FOR A YEAR?

When I first received the job description, I actually thought that the job would be too intense and I archived it in my inbox. After a few months, I revisited it as I felt God tugging at my heart. I started to pray about it a lot. I have a huge heart for social justice and victims of human rights violations. I knew that this position would challenge me and that's the only way to grow! In the end, fear was the only thing stopping me - that was not a good excuse.

WHAT DOES A SAFEHOUSE COORDINATOR DO?

I was responsible for the house running smoothly day-to-day, but more importantly, I made sure that the house became a home for the women. Whether I was enforcing chores, providing guidance, building life skills, or just hanging out with residents on the couch - I cherished each day for giving me a challenging, rewarding and beautiful experience. I am privileged to have seen it grow from the very beginning.

WHAT DID YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT YOUR ROLE?

The position allowed me to know each woman as a person and not as a "case." I was blessed to get to know each survivor personally. I felt empowered watching them heal and become stronger, more self-assured women. I learned that the most effective act of kindness to a woman in need is providing constant and enveloping love.

HOW HAS YOUR EXPERIENCE CHANGED YOU?

This experience has changed my life for the better. I intimately understand the need for long-term aftercare services for survivors of sex trafficking. I was privileged to go through this experience, which made me stronger as a person. Seeing each client's healing process is such a beautiful thing.

Meet Our Supporters

ADVOCATES RAISE AWARENESS AND FUNDS FOR TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS

Restore relies on the efforts of our very own volunteers to fundraise in their personal networks on our behalf. In 2011, over \$100,000 in individual donations were supporter-generated. These modern-day abolitionists ran marathons, climbed mountains and dedicated birthdays to restore freedom for survivors of trafficking. Restore recently made supporter fundraising easy by launching MY.RESTORENYC.ORG, a personal fundraising tool.



JILL COLLINS raised \$761 by dedicating her birthday wishes to raising awareness and funds for survivors of sex trafficking.

ANDREW, IVY, JORDAN AND JULIANE AU raised \$3,500 by taking part in a family fun walk in Flushing Meadows.



JOHN KANG ran the 2011 ING New York City marathon and raised \$4,565 for Restore.

JAE KIM raised \$1,500 with the help of his colleagues at Credit Suisse by climbing Mount Kilimanjaro for Restore.



Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents
 Contributions Receivable
 Prepaid Expense
 Security Deposit
Total Assets

2011

\$270,746
 \$35,137
 \$3,942
 \$5,060
\$314,885

2010

\$209,787
 \$97,855
 \$1,400

\$313,642

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable
Total Liabilities

\$10,267
\$10,267

\$4,750
\$4,750

Net Assets

Unrestricted
 Temporarily Restricted
Total Net Assets

\$270,618
 \$34,000
\$304,618

\$242,796
 \$66,096
\$308,892

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

\$314,885

\$313,642

HOW DONATIONS WERE SPENT IN 2011

All donations go toward direct program costs or general operating expenses, which support the mission of Restore. Expenses for 2011 totaled \$371,409. This money permitted our staff of five employees to provide direct services and case management to 99 survivors in 2011. In addition, we operated the Northeast's first safehouse for international victims of sex trafficking for a full year.

EFFICIENT HOUSING MODEL

Operating a house provides both financial flexibility and lower costs than a dorm-like setup. Given the size of the house, Restore is able to staff the residence with a live-in volunteer rather than pay for multiple staff salaries to oversee a commercial building. The all-in cost per bed at the safehouse compares favorably to other New York City shelters, which can operate at a higher all-in cost per day. Additionally, survivors benefit from living in a house and forming a community rather than just living in a large facility.

Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities

	UNRESTRICTED	TEMPORARY RESTRICTED	2011	2010
REVENUE & SUPPORT				
Contributions and Grants	\$286,669	\$55,500	\$342,169	\$338,350
Fundraising (Net Of Direct Expenses)	\$20,496	-	\$20,496	\$14,350
Donated Services	\$2,058	-	\$2,058	\$2,500
Interest Income	\$2,411	-	\$2,411	\$1,368
Other Revenue	\$1	-	\$1	-
Net Assets Released from Restriction	\$87,596	(\$87,596)	-	-
Total Revenue and Support	\$399,231	(\$32,096)	\$367,135	\$356,568
EXPENSES				
Program Services	\$281,591	-	\$281,591	\$157,716
Management and General	\$59,698	-	\$59,698	\$32,685
Fundraising	\$30,120	-	\$30,120	\$22,181
Total Expenses	\$371,409	-	\$371,409	\$212,181
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$27,822	(\$32,096)	(\$4,274)	\$143,986
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	\$242,796	\$66,096	\$308,892	\$164,906
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$270,618	\$34,000	\$304,618	\$308,892

Freedom.Safety.Hope.
www.restorenyc.org



*To protect the identities of the survivors with whom we work, pseudonyms have been used.