Dear Informal Name,

Spring is just around the corner, and after a successful Winter Walk, Sarah’s Circle is poised to break ground on our new building in the next few months. Thank you for helping us serve women for the past 40 years, and we look forward to a future where every woman has safety, support, and housing.

New Record for Winter Walk: a Mile in Her Shoes

Thank you for making the 27th Annual Winter Walk our most successful one yet!

On March 3rd, about 300 community members joined us for Winter Walk, bundling up to walk “a mile in her shoes” to learn and raise awareness about women’s homelessness.

Thanks to dedicated fundraisers and generous donors, we set a new Winter Walk record raising over $140,000 for women in need.

Thank you to everyone who donated for Winter Walk and attended the event, and a very special thank you to our incredible fundraisers and fundraising teams!

Sarah’s Circle’s Building in the News

As we get closer to breaking ground, Sarah’s Circle is eagerly awaiting our new building, which will include 38 new apartments and a new home for the Interim Housing Program. Recently, the development was featured in a Block Club Chicago article.

The article discusses how the project has progressed over the past 2 years as well as how the building will help Sarah’s Circle better serve the community.

You can read the article here to learn more about the new building and how we’ve gotten to this point!

40th Anniversary Special: Looking Back to the First Newsletter

It may be difficult to imagine a world without Sarah’s Circle’s newsletters, but did you know that the agency didn’t circulate a newsletter until 8 years after our founding?

The image below is a clip from the very first Sarah’s Circle newsletter, published in 1987. You can click the photo to read the full newsletter, or click the link below.

Read the full July 1987 Newsletter here.

The newsletter profiles the agency’s staff, which at the time was just 4 individuals. Later, it highlights some activities at Sarah’s Circle, including monthly birthday celebrations and Art Therapy, which still exist today in our programs!

The generosity of people like you has allowed Sarah’s Circle to serve Chicago’s women for 40 years. Thank you for your support!

In-Kind In Demand: Yarn

Clients at Sarah’s Circle have been busy knitting lots of great items from the yarn you donated a few months back. They’ve done so much knitting, making useful items like those in the photos below, that we are now in need of more yarn!

Please consider donating yarn for the women of Sarah’s Circle.

Also, don’t forget you can use Sarah’s Circle’s Amazon Wishlist and help a woman with just a few clicks (please jot down or note us so we can say thanks)!

You can also see our website for a full list of needed items.

Volunteer Spotlight: The Durning Family

This month, Sarah’s Circle would like to recognize the Durning Family, who host an annual donation drive to commemorate the birthday of their daughter and sister Emily who passed away in 2017.

For the past 2 years in March, the Durnings have collected and delivered hundreds of high-quality and needed items. Their efforts are in tribute of their loved one, as women’s empowerment and helping others were important values to Emily.

Thank you to the Durning Family for including Sarah’s Circle in this meaningful service project. Women in Chicago are better off because of your efforts!

What will your impact be?

To learn how you can help, please see our ways to help, or contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Dakota Chisholm at dchisholm@sarahs-circle.org or 773.751.7454.