Dear [Informal Name],

Did you know, that even after 40 years of serving women, the overarching goals of Sarah's Circle have not changed?

Your support allows the agency to welcome each woman, support her growth, and help her find her home.

By caring about women in your community and taking action, you are helping women when they need it most. Thank you!

Celebrating LGBTQ Pride

Sarah's Circle is proud to welcome LGBTQ women in our programs.

LGBTQ women face unique barriers in securing safe homes, therefore social services for women in this community are crucially needed.

In particular, transgender women are often at greater risk of homelessness and violence on the street compared to cis women.

Sarah's Circle is one of few housing agencies in Chicago where transgender women can receive dedicated, gender-specific services.

Happy Pride Month from Sarah's Circle. Thank you for helping break barriers for LGBTQ women experiencing homelessness!

40th Anniversary Special:
Sarah's Circle's Founding in 1979

In the late 1970s, the number of women facing homelessness was visibly increasing.

Motivated to help their fellow neighbors, three women in Uptown opened a drop-in center so that women in need could get off the street and into a safe space during the day.

This was the beginning of Sarah's Circle, and this program still exists as our present-day Daytime Support Center.

The agency's name, "Sarah's Circle," came from a resident tabby cat at the drop-in center whom the community named "Sarah."

The circle has been growing ever since, from serving about 10 women per day with basic services to serving about 130 women per day across three comprehensive programs.

Generosity like yours has allowed Sarah's Circle to serve women for 40 years. Thank you for your support!

In-Kind In Demand: Over-the-Counter Medication

You can help the women at Sarah's Circle feel their best!

Please donate over-the-counter medication such as ibuprofen, multivitamins, antacid, cold and allergy medicine, and cough drops.

Don’t forget you can help a woman with just a few clicks with Sarah’s Circle’s Amazon Wish List. Please just leave us a note so we can say thanks.

You can also find a full list of needed items here. If you have questions or would like to donate, please contact Dakota Chisholm at dchisholm@sarahs-circle.org.

Volunteer Spotlight: Joyce Dugan

Sarah's Circle congratulates volunteer Joyce Dugan who recently received the Cook County Peggy A. Montes Unsung Heroine Award in recognition of her vital community contributions.

We thank Joyce for 25 years of involvement at Sarah's Circle, most recently in the form of monthly meal services with her volunteer group from The Admiral at the Lake.

Joyce says, "Volunteering takes away the 'us and them' mentality," allowing people to personally connect with individuals in need in their community. She asks "Who wouldn't want to help a neighbor?"

Thank you, Joyce - your kind and neighborly spirit has helped hundreds of women rebuild their lives through the years!

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 773.751.5454.