

StabilityFirst

Stability Builds Lives

2023 Annual Report



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*Thank you from our
Executive Director,
Rick Miller*



In the New Testament book of Acts, we are told of two accounts that are related to the purpose of this communication. The first tells of Barnabas being sent to check out the reports of an amazing number of conversions in Antioch. The text says, when he “saw the evidence of the grace of God, he was glad and encouraged them to remain true to the Lord.” Some time later Paul & Barnabas returned after an extended mission journey and “gathered the church together and reported all that God had done through them.” Borrowing from the language of Scripture, this document serves as both “evidence of the grace of God” and a report on “all that God has done through” this ministry.

As we look at 2024, we have so much to thank Him for. We have completed a very successful Capitol Campaign, hired some great new staff, upgraded our Administration space, and are now close to opening our Foundations House. All of this is the result of God’s leading and providing through faithful servants and supporters like many of you. In this report of the “evidence” of God’s grace, you will be reminded of tremendous victories we have experienced, and at the same time be reminded that there is still so much to do. As we double the size and scope of our ministry at God’s direction, we will see tremendous life transformations. We will also need to expand the base of support by a significant amount. I am trusting that God is preparing the hearts of many to provide that support.

Thank you for all you have done and for what God will do going forward through your participation. After reading this report, give thanks and consider how you may continue to be part of what God is doing. We are making “Impact Through Faith.”

Blessings,
Rick

Our Story

Our journey began in 2015 with a singular mission to provide support to women facing addiction and crises. Through the Magdalene House, our transformational recovery house, we've guided countless women towards recovery, healing, stability, and faith. Now, as we approach the opening of our second house, the Foundations House, our mission has expanded to support men in need, as well. This new chapter marks an exciting evolution in our journey, allowing us to serve our community with even greater depth and compassion. At Stability First, we serve our community through Christ and Impact Through Faith.

Mission

Putting Christian principles into action, by providing transformational individualized programs and transitional housing for men and women seeking recovery from addiction and life-controlling challenges.

Vision

Stability First strengthens our society by empowering the men and women we serve to fulfill the purpose that God has uniquely planned for them.

Values

Faith in Action

We embody our Christian principles by actively engaging in compassionate service and extending kindness, support, and hope.

Compassion

We approach each person with kindness and empathy.

Respect

We honor the inherent dignity and worth of every individual, creating an atmosphere of acceptance and understanding.

Comprehensive

We provide holistic care by addressing the diverse physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of individuals seeking recovery.

Collaboration

We work together with our residents, staff, volunteers, and community partners to create a supportive environment conducive to healing and growth.



Our Services

Magdalene House

Magdalene House is a transitional house in Morgan County that offers individualized recovery programming for women facing addiction and crises. The Magdalene House recovery residence has moved away from its early roots as a shelter and is now a structured program, with guidelines and a level system. This recovery house offers Christian-centered groups, Intensive Outpatient Treatment (I.O.T.), case management services, and a skills-readiness program, called Maggie Bags. Because we understand how challenging early recovery can be to navigate, we ask that the women focus solely on their recovery for an extended period of time prior to finding gainful employment. We also understand that recovery is a process, which is why residents can stay at the Magdalene House for up to two years.

Maggie Bags

Maggie Bags is a skills-readiness, micro-enterprise where the Magdalene House residents and dedicated volunteers collaborate to produce beautifully crafted, one-of-a-kind bags. When you purchase a Maggie Bag, you directly support Stability First and our mission.



Magdalene House Achievements

In 2023, 100% of residents received



Mental Health Care



Substance Use Disorder treatment



1:1 Case Management



Enrollment in medical insurance

93% of our residents successfully discharged by meeting the following criteria



Minimum 90-day completion



Safe housing



Financially stable



Substance free upon discharge



Completed a minimum of three recovery goals



Active health insurance



Completed I.O.T.



Created an aftercare plan

Other Facts



6 months average stay



+18,000 free meals provided to residents



Alumni Stories

Holly

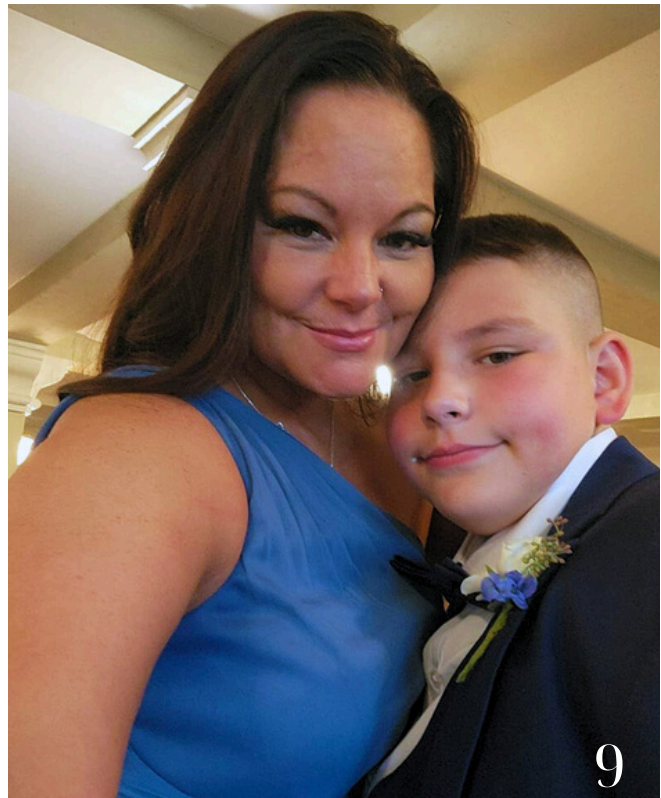
I came into the Magdalene House after getting into trouble and isolating myself. I was carrying a lot of grief from losing my dad. I didn't have a relationship with God. I now have a big relationship with God and I still do morning inspiration every day, just like I did when I lived at the house. I don't have cravings anymore and I stay away from bad influences. Magdalene House staff taught me to take things moment by moment. They loved me until I could love myself again and that's exactly what I needed.



Jami

There was an unconditional love I could feel when I entered the Magdalene House. They loved me through all my pain. I finally understood agape love. They gave me so much support and the drive that I needed. I am a veteran and I learned to be tough, but at the Magdalene House, I learned to be vulnerable. It was a turning point for me. I now have 4 years clean.

[Jami's Story \(Video by United Way\)](#)



Updates

Capital Campaign

This year marks the end of our capital campaign, which was marked by successfully securing grants and receiving generous donations from individual donors, as well as church partners. The majority of our funds came from grantors for capital expenses. The funds raised through our capital campaign will go towards construction of Foundations House, a men's transitional home comparable to Magdalene House, and reconstruction of both Maggie Bags and the Stability First administrative building. We expect completion of this to be finished by the end of 2024.



Financials

2023 Audit

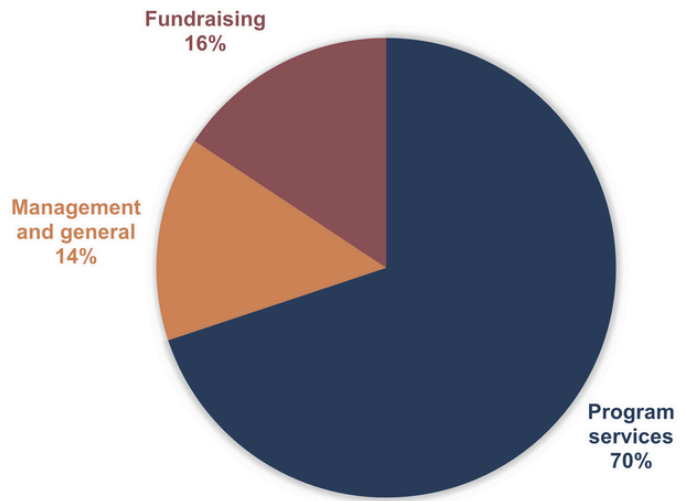
Stability First had an independent audit conducted for the 2023 financial year.

This report contains the following Financial Statements:

- Statement of Financial Position
- Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Asset
- Statement of Functional Expenses
- Statement of Cash Flows
- Notes to Financial Statements

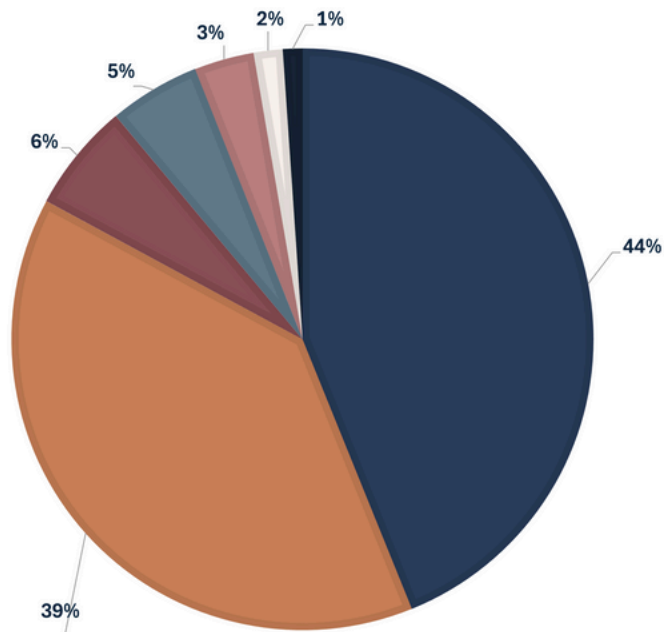
You can view the full report [here](#) or visit www.StabilityFirst.org

Expenses



Support and Revenue

- Contributions
- Capital Campaign
- Grants
- Fundraising Events
- Maggie Bag Sales
- Other
- In-kind Contributions



Our Annual Gala



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