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Statement of Activity Jan 1-Dec. 31 2011

Functional Expenses:

Program Services-35,780.19

Supporting Services-3,134.61

Total- 38,914.80

Revenue:

Individual Contributions- 3,530.00

In-Kind donations-30,118.00

Grants- 1,000.00

Fund Raising/other Income- 8,627.12

Board Member Contributions- 4,490.00

Total- 47,765.12

Balance-8,850.32

2011 Volunteers

Russ Ackerman
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You Can Begin Again You Can Begin Again Too Inc.

“Women Empowering Women, Women Empowering Themselves”



2011 ANNUAL REPORT



Not a Hand Out, But a Hand Up!!!

A Letter from the Founder/Executive Director

Dear Supporters and friends of You Can Begin Again Inc.,



As Founder and Executive Director of "You Can Begin Again, Inc.," I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for the many kindnesses, expressed generously and compassionately, on behalf of the young women participating in our program. You have helped to make 2011 a stellar year for You Can Begin Again. As a result, we expanded our vision and in March 2011, added "You Can Begin Again Too," to address the emancipation to adulthood of young mothers with young children.

We proudly say that currently, we provide housing and case management services for six young women and three children. We were blessed to have been able to provide services and donations to two other young women outside of our agency. While we have not attained our financial goals that would enable us to implement all the services we would like, we are making great strides in that direction. We would like to increase our partner base and strengthen ourselves fiscally in 2012. We know that one person cannot do everything, but if we all pull together, we can and will get the job done.

During 2011, You Can Begin Again and You Can Begin Again Too were able to:

- Set up a corporate lease in a southeast Aurora apartment complex where we currently have four homes.
- Partnered with Mile High United Way, which supports housing costs for 18 of the two years that participants may be enrolled in one of our programs.
- Partnered with Caring Connections, Employee Giving Campaigns.
- Partnered with the Colorado Non-Profit Association.
- Increased our donor base by 10%.
- Recipient of the "Salute to Black Women Award," from the National Council of Negro Women, Denver Chapter.
- Recognized as a nominee for the Kathy Hill-Young Award

We reiterate, we could not have had the impact on the lives of young women emancipating from the foster care system without your generous support, and we salute you! With your continued help, we look forward to helping even more young women in 2012.

Services Offered

1. We provide participants with affordable, safe housing in a apartment setting where they will be expected to master transitional living skills, as a result of the range of interventions offered by You Can Begin Again, Inc.
2. We equip young women with specific skills, values, and competencies that result in employment in high growth, high income industries.
3. We place focus on enabling participants to meet basic survival needs as they explore options and opportunities to improve their lives.
4. We guide young women in developing "Individualized Growth Plans" that identify measurable outcomes for educational, interpersonal, and rewarding community involvement.
5. We facilitate changes in the lives of participants so that they may live lives of independence and interdependence.
6. In the spirit of "each one help one; each one teach one," we have designed a research and evaluation component to widely disseminate "Lessons Learned" and "Paths Forward" that may be replicated among other at-risk youth programs.

Donors 1,000+

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