

# 2017

## Annual Report



**DOOROFHOPE**  
REDEEMING LIVES  
RESTORING FAMILIES

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# Message from Diane Stores

Dear Friends,

Since Door of Hope was founded in 2014, we've been privileged to minister to hundreds of men, women, and children desperate for God's hope and healing from trauma and abuse.

And some...some are literally homeless.

In 2017, we had the opportunity to place three women in loving homes where they can be safe to start the healing process. Many have a physical home but due to circumstances beyond their control they too feel "homeless," lost and alone.

It's such an honor to minister to each one of the precious ones God brings to us, and come alongside them as Jesus heals their hearts and brings truth to their souls.

***We want to extend a heart felt thank you to all of you who have prayed for us, supported us, and encouraged us this past year.***

Because of you, and your continued support, we continue to be able to meet the needs of those who need hope and a safe place.

Because of you, 59 people received 225 trauma recovery counseling and prayer ministry appointments. Because of you, we more than tripled the number of support groups offered, serving 63 precious ones. Because of you, more trainings will be offered and more conferences will be held in 2018.

***Because of you, people will be freed from the devastating effects of abuse and trauma caused by abuse. Because of you, generations will know Jesus.***

Blessings,



Diane Stores  
Executive Director



Diane Stores, Executive  
Director, Door of Hope  
Ministries

## Mission

Through God's power, Door of Hope equips people all over the world to live free from abuse and trauma through safe housing, educational conferences, support groups, trauma recovery counseling and prayer ministry.

Key Verse: *There I will give back her vineyards to her and transform her Valley of Troubles into a Door of Hope.* - Hosea 2:15a (Living Bible)

## Programs



### Support Groups

Adults, teens, and children dealing with the effects of abuse find a safe place to learn, grow, and share with others.

Groups are nine weeks long, and are held several times a year.

In 2017, we offered a total of 14 support groups, where 19 group leaders ministered to 63 individuals: 39 women, 7 men, 5 teens and 12 children. Since most of our clients join more than one support group, the total number of support group attendees was 100.



### Trauma Recovery Counseling and Prayer Ministry

Adults, teens and children who receive our individual trauma recovery counseling and prayer ministry, find freedom and life-changing transformation from the deep wounding caused by abuse.

In 2017, 26 prayer ministers provided 59 clients 450 hours of ministry through 225 trauma recovery counseling and prayer ministry appointments.



### Conferences and Workshops

Our conferences offer women two days of teaching on abuse and trauma, as well as trauma recovery counseling and prayer ministry appointments, to help them begin the journey of healing.

In our workshops, pastors, ministry leaders, and lay people are taught the complex dynamics of abuse, and trained how to effectively minister to those who have experienced abuse.

In 2017, we held two women's conferences and one workshop, serving 32 people. We also oversaw prayer teams at two ministry partners' events that hosted a total of 3,750.

# Program Impact

Together, we raised \_\_\_\_\_

**\$109,686**

which funded \_\_\_\_\_

**2,660** hours of ministry

bringing more than \_\_\_\_\_

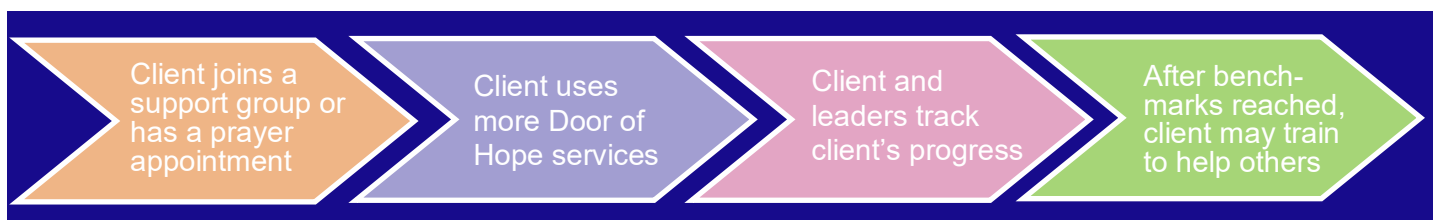
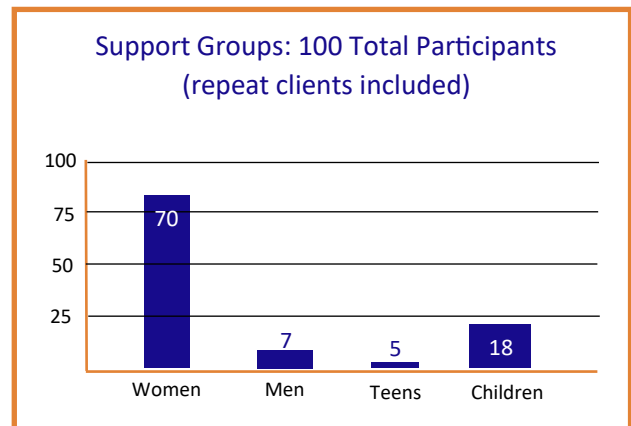
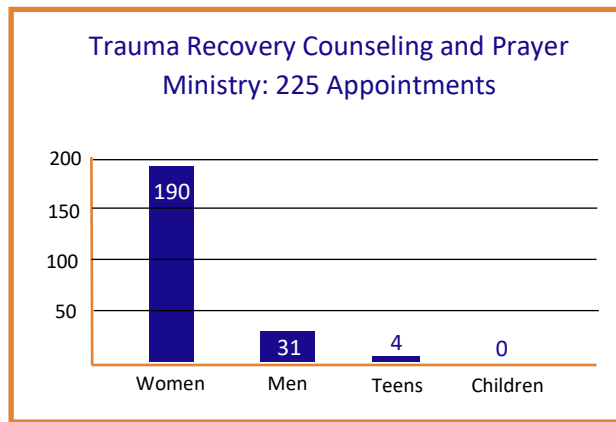
**127** individuals God's healing

## Hope for 12 Children



In 2017, we served 12 children, ages 9-12, through our Hope-Filled Kids Support Group.

That's 12 young lives touched by the love and truth of Jesus, 12 lives finding hope and healing.





# Impact Continued

## A Family is Changed for the Better

My children and I lived through the unthinkable...



Stefani & Diane Stores

Through Door of Hope, everything from the support group to the homework, to the healing prayer, and of course through Diane, and the many wonderful volunteers, God has shown me Who He is, which is an

amazing GOD.

I now know what it is to love myself as He loves me.

**There is not one area of my life that is the same as it was five months ago.**

**Today my children are able to be children free from abuse and are growing & thriving!**

If I could say one thing to any women out there who finds herself feeling scared and alone:

**Step out in faith and let God lead you, and find refuge in Door of Hope. —Stephani Jarvis**

## Spring Banquet Impact



Diane Stores with Sarah Olhoft, a client who shared her story with the guests.

240 guests donated nearly \$55,000 which covered 53% of our program costs in 2017.

It was an amazing evening of celebrating God and His healing in the lives of those we serve!

## 2017 IMPACT

Our most fruitful year yet!

### 2017 Highlights

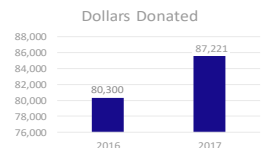
**127** PEOPLE SERVED THIS YEAR

**3 WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN** WERE PLACED IN SAFE HOMES



**648**  
GENEROUS DONATIONS

**INCREASE IN GIVING FROM 2016**



### 2017 Outreach

It was exciting to see awareness and interest increase throughout the year.

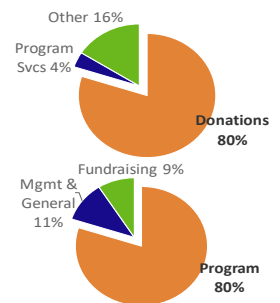
Mailing List	Email List	Facebook
360 to 425	457 to 547	440 to 550
18% ↑	20% ↑	25% ↑

### Income & Expenses

To maximize outcomes for those we serve, we carefully steward every dollar.

In 2017, 80% of incoming dollars were donations and 80% of total expenses went to programming.

**This shows that 100% of donated dollars went directly to those we serve.**



### Support Groups

Support groups grew from 2 to 7, and served 39 women, 12 children, 7 men in our pilot group for men, and 5 teens in our first-ever teen support group.

*I am forever grateful for Door of Hope. —Veronica S.*

8% Teens
11% Men
19% Children
62% Women

Not only did God increase number that we served, He brought in new donors, volunteers, partners, staff, board members, and prayer support.

Want to learn more? Click below.



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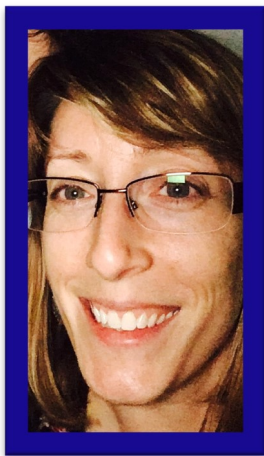
# Support Group Testimonial

Through the hearts of generous donors, our number of support groups grew from two to seven in 2017, serving 63 clients.

## Veronica S.

A client since 2015, Veronica shares how God continues to bring her healing and freedom at Door of Hope.

*When I came to Door of Hope, I struggled with self-defeating beliefs. I did not realize it at the time, but I had a habit of **seeing myself as a victim. I did not know how to trust.***



Veronica and her son became clients in 2015

*Although I saw that anger, rage, and control were issues I struggled with, I did not know why. I often **felt trapped, hopeless, and helpless** to the emotions that arose whenever I experienced the loss of a relationship, had financial issues, or lost something I believed I needed to feel valuable...*

*In the past, I took part in other Christian support groups where I learned to identify my emotions. Although they were very powerful and healing for me, I still struggled with needing the approval of others to feel whole. I **lacked real connection with Jesus, and an understanding of how to trust Him.***

*During my first time through Authentic Hope (I've taken it 3 times), I started to trust little by little, in ways I had not before. I began to learn how to **identify the lies I believed about myself and replace them with the truth: HE LOVES ME! I AM NOT A VICTIM! I AM VICTORIOUS!***

*For the first time, I began to understand that the **hypervigilance and isolation** that had been my companions for so long, although developed naturally due to abuse and rejection, **were not my friends!** How freeing it was to let go of that heavy load I had carried for so long!*

*Today, I am learning to **forgive myself (1 John 1:9) and realize that God sees me as his precious daughter** - pure, whole, lovely, and beautiful. I trust that "He who began a good work in you will continue it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus!" Philippians 1:6*

*Having a safe place for me AND my son to learn about who we are in Christ, what to do with pain, how to process our emotions, how to trust, and how to heal through the Love of the Father, has been vital for our spiritual, emotional, and mental health.*

*I am forever grateful for Door of Hope.*

# Trauma Recovery Counseling and Prayer Ministry Testimonial

Through the hearts of generous donors, in 2017 we facilitated 225 Trauma Recovery Counseling and Prayer Ministry appointments, serving a total of 59 clients.

## Lenny Fineday

*Last fall, I met the Door of Hope team when they came to the Leech Lake Reservation. At the time, I was **confronting past wounds and hurts that were at the forefront of my life**, due to significant relational issues with a very close friend and leader. Door of Hope is relationally-focused and driven, and I believe the Kingdom is all about relationship, community, and family. That is why I felt so connected to Diane, even during our first trauma recovery counseling and prayer ministry meeting, as we addressed deeply embedded issues.*

*I have come to realize that the **largest issues plaguing tribal communities in our area, are related to identity and belonging**. By design of federal policy and those seeking assimilation, there has been a **systematic breakdown of the nuclear family, causing intergenerational trauma**, feelings of disconnectedness, and a lack of belonging. **With no niche or place to fit in, our people turn to addiction.***

***Door of Hope is bringing a message of hope, healing, restoration, and reconnection**—central to seeing the Kingdom advance in our community. **We are excited to work with Door of Hope in our tribal communities, and watch the transformation, healing, and restoration that God desires for our people.***



Lenny Fineday entered Door of Hope in the fall of 2016

Lenny Fineday, a member and resident of the Leech Lake Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, is a licensed attorney operating his law practice from the Leech Lake Reservation. In addition to representing churches and ministries before the IRS, he is Tribal Attorney for the White Earth Nation and Judge for the Red Lake Nation Tribal Court. In the past, he was an associate attorney for the Minneapolis-based Best & Flanagan law firm, and was the in-house General Counsel to the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. He has served two terms as President of the MN American Indian Bar Assoc., as well as two terms as a member of the MN State Bar Association's General Assembly. Currently, Lenny serves on the Leech Lake Tribal College Board of Trustees and as a member of the MN Judicial Selection Commission, where he advises the Governor on the appointment of judges to the state courts.

Lenny is the son of the late Rev. Leonard Fineday and Mary Fineday. His father, a full-blooded Leech Lake Tribal member, was a pastor on the Leech Lake Reservation for more than 30 years, founding three churches and pastoring throughout the Reservation. Building on this foundation, Lenny's calling is to establish and expand the Kingdom of God in Indian Country through relational ministry, building bridges between peoples and communities, and exhorting and encouraging the body of Christ in unity and in truth.

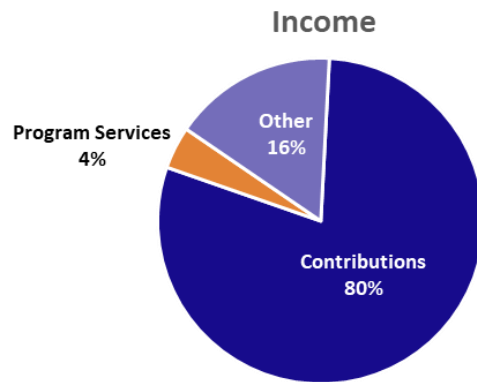


# Resources & Financial Management

Door of Hope is fully funded by the generous gifts of individuals, churches, and foundations. We carefully steward your monetary gift to ensure a powerful impact in the lives of adults, teens and children we serve, with 80 cents of every dollar going directly to program services. You, our supporters, are affecting generations with your donations. Thank you!

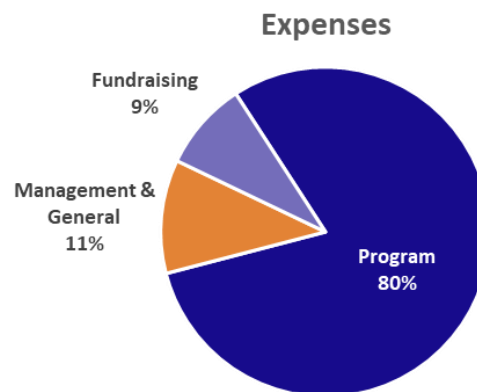
## Income

Contributions	\$87,221
Program Services	\$4,602
Other	\$17,863
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$109,686</b>



## Expenses

Program	\$83,329
Management & General	\$11,611
Fundraising	\$9,079
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$104,019</b>
<b>Excess Income over Expenses</b>	<b>\$5,667</b>



## Balance Sheet

### Assets

Cash	\$10,255
Other Assets	\$6,049
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$16,304</b>

### Liabilities

<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$16,304</b>

# Looking Forward

In 2018, we'll continue to build our client base and support base in Minnesota, creating a stronger foundation from which we can expand to reach more and more people. To that end, we'll be increasing the number of support groups offered, including a parenting class, and hosting more conferences and trainings, and expanding our network of partnerships.

## Executive Leadership

Our volunteer board is dedicated to the mission of bringing God's hope and healing to each one we serve. With great hearts, they prayerfully provide direction and oversight for the ministry.



**Beth McMillan**  
Board Chair



**Mark Lageson**  
Board Member



**David Melander**  
Board Member



**Jon Mogck**  
Board Member

# We Need Your Help

God is calling us to expand our reach nationally, and internationally. Abuse is rampant in many countries, and God is equipping us with the tools, training and experience we need to help hurting people all over the world.

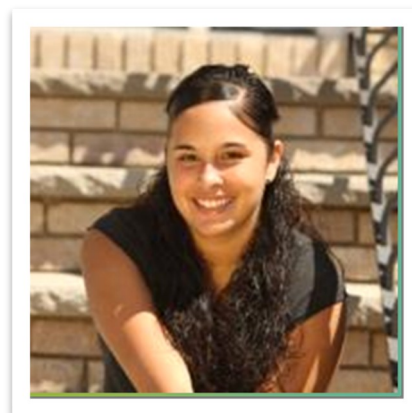
## Every Penny Matters

Will you join the effort by becoming a financial partner?

You can give online at [doorofhopeministries.org/donate](http://doorofhopeministries.org/donate).

Or send a check, made out to *Door of Hope* to:

Door of Hope Ministries  
PO Box 490565  
Blaine, MN 55449



## Volunteer and Help Make a Difference

In 2017, more than 700 volunteer hours were logged in by our incredible volunteers! If you'd like to join these big-hearted friends, visit [doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer](http://doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer) or fill out this form and mail it to the address noted.

Volunteer for fundraising events or conferences

Volunteer around the office with phone calls and other tasks

Volunteer in a different way: \_\_\_\_\_

Please call us at 763-767-2150 or visit [doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer](http://doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer) to learn more.  
Mail this form to our office at Door of Hope, PO Box 490565, Blaine, MN 55449

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