

2018 ANNUAL REPORT



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, and trauma recovery 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)



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REDEEMING LIVES
RESTORING FAMILIES

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Message from Diane Stores

Dear Friends,

It's overwhelming to consider all the ways Jesus uses your prayers and support to accomplish His purposes at Door of Hope.

In 2018, 217 individuals (a 71% increase from 2017) experienced God's healing touch through Door of Hope!

We were able to serve 33% more support group participants than 2017 because God provided two new support groups and increased the number of trained support group leaders. ***It is exciting to be able to say "yes" to those waiting for help! God is so good!***

In 2018, 7 of 10 continued in their healing journey by returning for more help and ministry. Most started by attending our conferences or support groups and then went deeper through our trauma recovery prayer ministry.

Jesus used our trauma recovery prayer ministry to un-burden 80 men and women from years of trauma and abuse, some even experiencing joy for the very first time!

We praise Jesus for bringing hope, healing and joy to those desperate for help!

To manage the growing numbers, God expanded our space by enabling us obtain and renovate an unfinished adjoining area into a meeting and office space for our increasing number of staff and volunteers.

God also used your support to help 10 women in crisis by providing one-on-one counseling to help them minimize the danger of leaving an unsafe situation and where to go when they leave.

Three conferences in out-state Minnesota equipped women to step out of unhealthy patterns and find freedom in the Lord.

As more come to us, He hears their prayers and provides through friends like you...

The tools and support I've gained and experienced at Door of Hope have been invaluable—an answer to prayer. Thank you for your support! - V.S.

The need continues to increase as word about Door of Hope spreads...please keep us in your prayers and join us however God calls you.

Blessings,

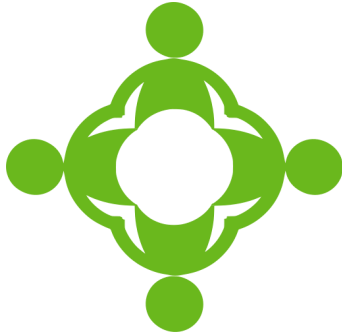


Diane Stores
Executive Director



Diane Stores,
Executive Director,
Door of Hope

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 held four times a year.

In 2018, our support group offerings increased from 14 to 19 serving 84 (33% increase over 2017): 59 women, 3 men, 4 teens and 18 children. Since most of our clients join more than one support group, the total number of support group attendees grew 42% to 142.



Trauma Recovery Prayer Ministry

Adults and teens receiving our individual trauma recovery prayer ministry find freedom and life-changing transformation from the deep wounding caused by abuse.

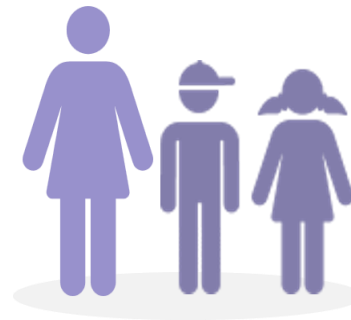
In 2018, 80 clients (up 36% from 2017) received 178 trauma recovery prayer ministry sessions, resulting in 356 hours of prayer ministry.



Conferences and Workshops

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

In 2018, we held three women's conferences and one workshop, serving 26 people. We also oversaw prayer teams at two ministry partners' events that hosted a total of 3,500+ guests.



Crisis Help and Safe Housing

Women seeking crisis help receive one-on-one counseling to help them minimize the danger of leaving an unsafe situation and are offered referrals on where to go if they leave, including one of our safe homes.

In 2018, 10 women received crisis counseling and one woman and her three children found rest and hope in one of our safe homes.

Program Impact

Together, we raised _____

\$157,441

which funded _____

3,212 hours of ministry

bringing more than _____

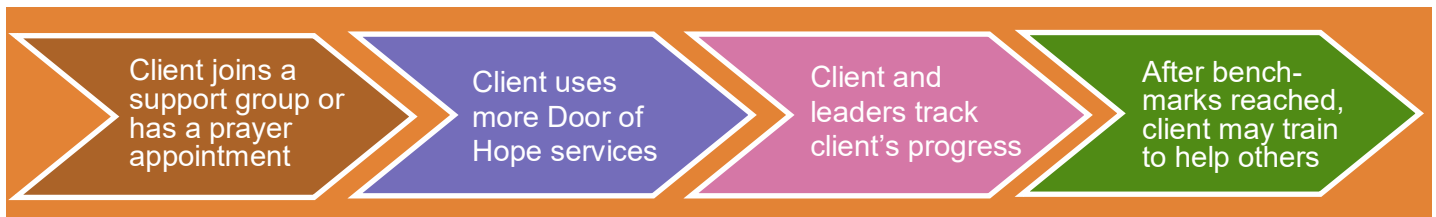
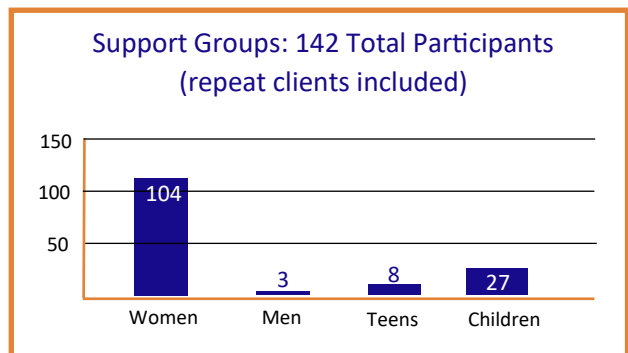
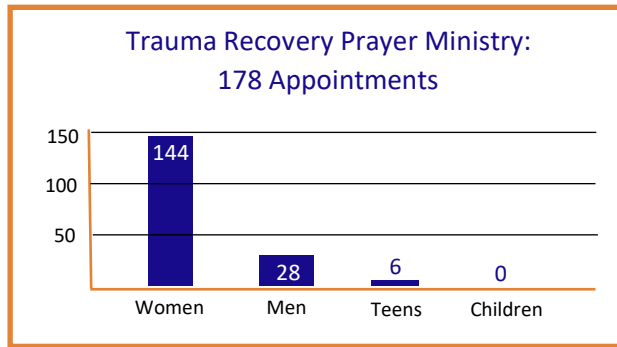
217 individuals God's healing

18 Children Served



In 2018, we served 18 children ages 2-12, through our Parenting Class childcare programming and our Hope-Filled Kids Support Group.

That's 18 young lives touched by the love and truth of Jesus Christ, 18 lives discovering hope and joy.



Impact Continued

Turning Points...

For many attendees, our women's conferences are turning points. The education and prayer ministry often kindle a desire for more of Jesus and His healing.



In March, our Beauty Instead of Ashes team (pictured) headed to PTL Rock Church on the Red Lake Reservation, near Bemidji, MN.

Here are glimpses of what Jesus did...

Thank you Lord! This conference addressed how abuse affects the "whole" person: mental, emotional, physical and especially spiritual. Abuse counseling has never addressed that most important value, my faith in Christ and His love for me, for all of us. He is our healer. Thank you for ministering healing and love to me, to all of us. —Valerie W.

During my healing prayer session so many revelations were given to me of the sweet love of Jesus. It was hard to look at my painful past and my trauma but with Jesus' help it was life changing. —Lisa L.

Moving forward has begun anew...On my way to freedom and healing, I can see Jesus with a big grin on His face, and my heart is confirming "this is it!" Thank you for your time, prayers, and endless energy you gave me. — Laura M.

2018 IMPACT

Praise God for His faithfulness!

2018 Highlights

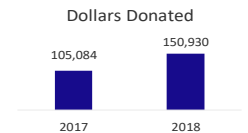
217 PEOPLE SERVED
71% INCREASE FROM 2017

10 WOMEN RECEIVED CRISIS COUNSELING



921
GENEROUS DONATIONS
42% increase

44% INCREASE IN GIVING FROM 2017



2018 Outreach

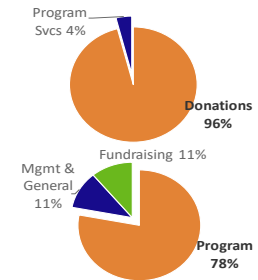
It was exciting to see awareness and interest increase throughout the year.

Mailing List	Email List	Facebook
425 to 776	547 to 765	550 to 625
83% ↑	40% ↑	14% ↑

Income & Expenses

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

Thank you for ensuring the work continues with your gifts!



Support Groups

Support groups grew from 7 to 9, and served 84 hurting hearts: 59 women, 18 children, 3 men and 4 teens.

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

Not only did God increase the number that we served, He brought in new donors, volunteers, partners, staff, board members, and prayer support. We praise Him for all!

Want to learn more? Click below.

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Support Group Testimonial

Thank you for your support, friends, it is making a difference for many! Marina shares how God has used Door of Hope to answer her question about who she is...and so much more.

Born in the Soviet Union... I Built Protective Walls Inside...



Marina with
Executive Director,
Diane Stores

I was born and raised in the former Soviet Union, where my father was addicted to alcohol, and my mother worked hard at her job, leaving her little energy for us children. We were not an affectionate family, and God was never mentioned.

Not getting the love and encouragement I needed as a child, I began to isolate and build protective walls inside—not realizing that my walls not only kept out the bad but also the good.

After my parents divorced when I was 12, I lost my identity. I was shy and didn't believe that I could achieve anything in life. Decisions were made by others, and although I did not like it, I did not see another way...

Moving to the USA Did Not Help

Moving to the US in 2000 with my father and brother gave me hope that in this country, with its opportunities and freedom, I would finally find out who I am. I didn't realize that no country could help me find my identity, only the One who created me, Jesus Christ.

Marriage Revealed Buried Toxic Emotions

When I got married, I thought I would finally find myself. Instead, marriage revealed the toxic emotions that I had buried. I started to believe that I was evil and controlled by anger.

When I had children, I began trampling them emotionally. I didn't want to repeat my parent's mistakes, but didn't know how to break the vicious cycle. When I realized I was powerless to change, I prayed that God would show me the way out. Since then, He has led me...

A few years ago, a local murder helped me realize that violence is in Christian families, but that no one talks about it. Through this tragedy, a friend introduced me to Door of Hope where I learned why violence occurs in families, and how to stop it.

At Door of Hope I Began to Discover My True Identity

In Door of Hope support groups, I found I could talk about my wounded emotions and no one would blame me. As women shared and cried openly, I came to realize that there are many broken hearts like mine. I went through several support groups and came to hear my Heavenly Father telling me that I'm His princess. He showed me that "God does not create garbage."

Relationships Began to Change...

After God revealed to me who I am, relationships began to change. I was able to forgive my family. I have chosen to live differently, to break the cycle of abuse, and to teach my children about love and respect. I now set healthy boundaries and respect others' boundaries.

Giving Back, So That Others Will Find Freedom Too

A year ago, I was invited to teach a Boundaries workshop at Seattle's Slavic Christian conference. At first I wasn't sure I could do it, but the Lord gave me confidence and I agreed. To my surprise many women attended. If someone had told me a few years ago that I would teach that class, I would never have believed it. But with God everything is possible.

As a Door of Hope leader in training, God is using me so that others can find freedom from trauma and abuse too.

Trauma Recovery Prayer Ministry Testimonial

Door of Hope's Trauma Recovery Prayer Ministry is based on the Immanuel Approach, discovered and developed by Dr. E. James Wilder and by Dr Karl Lehman, a board-certified psychiatrist with 25 years and more than 40,000 hours of clinical experience.

Dr Lehman has worked to integrate faith-based emotional healing with insights provided by psychological and neurological research. (More info at www.immanuelapproach.com).

Some of what they've discovered (and we're witnessing) is that **healing is more likely to happen from a place of positive relational connection with Jesus than from a place of pain.** In 2018, we facilitated 178 of these prayer sessions, often with stunning results.

Aimee Anderson, one of our Trauma Recovery Prayer Ministry recipients shares...

Unlocking Joy

Before I came to Door of Hope, I felt a strong hesitation about going to a two-hour prayer session, wondering what would come up! I was worried about being too exposed.

I love how gentle and kind, safe and loving God is, and how this prayer session reflected his heart!

I felt totally safe and celebrated as I was led to encounter the love of Jesus in my heartache. It was a precious experience!

*Afterwards, there was **so much joy and lighthearted peace!** I cannot wait to go again, and hope everyone I know could experience this, not just once, but every day!*

I have learned there is better way to approach trials and past emotional trauma, by first finding the joy center of Abba's love. This approach has changed my life and how I pray for people!

I cannot believe how this has unlocked joy for me!



Aimee Anderson

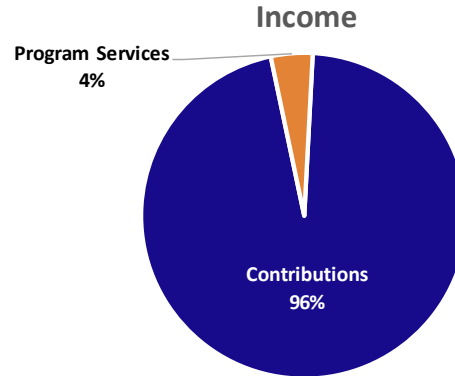
Resources & Financial Management

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.

You, our supporters, are vital to those we serve. Thank you!

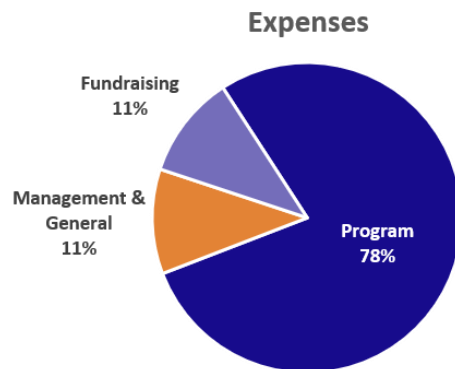
Income

Contributions	\$150,930
Program Services	\$6,511
Total Income	\$157,441



Expenses

Program	\$123,933
Management & General	\$17,426
Fundraising	\$17,016
Total Expenses	\$158,375



Excess Income over Expenses	-\$934
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Balance Sheet

Assets

Cash	\$14,704
Other Assets	\$2,230
Total Assets	\$16,934

Liabilities

Total Liabilities	\$1,429
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Fund Balance	\$15,505
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Looking Forward

In 2019, we'll increase programming for men, work to solidify our presence in out-state Minnesota and Mexico, and use publishing and technology to spread our materials to people around the world. To build a stronger financial foundation, we'll continue to grow our donor base and 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
Secretary



David Melander
Treasurer



Jon Mogck
Board Member



Rev. Dr. Kendra Diel
Board Member



Diane Stores
Non-Voting Member

We Need Your Help

God is calling us to reach the peoples of the world. Abuse is rampant in many countries. Is God calling you to join us?

Every Penny Matters

Will you join the effort by becoming a financial partner?

You can give online at 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 2018, 197 volunteers logged in more than 1000 hours! If you'd like to join these incredible friends, visit doorofhopeministries.org/volunteer or fill out this form and mail it to the address noted.

- Volunteer for fundraising events or with clerical work
- Volunteer for conferences or training
- Volunteer in a different way: _____

Please call us at 763-767-2150 or visit 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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Email: _____

Address: _____

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