



South Sound Recovery Services

PO Box 190, Shelton, WA 98584
Telephone 360 545-3344

2009 Annual Report

South Sound Recovery Services provides recovery services for those who struggle with alcohol or other chemical dependency. These services include but are not limited to intervention, assessment, counseling, life skills training, transitional housing and referral. Services are currently provided by volunteer counselors and drug addiction specialists. Volunteers also provide training and mentoring to clients. Again this year, transitional housing was provided to clients through the generous efforts of several volunteers who took clients into their own homes. Some of our transitional housing clients have recently been released from incarceration for non-violent offences and are screened to assess individual potential to benefit from a program such as ours. Our clients for these services are often financially disadvantaged and not eligible for assistance from other organizations. We continue to search out opportunities for our own transitional housing facility.

We partner with other organizations that foster abstinence from abuse of alcohol or other mind-altering chemicals. Our clients are referred by other clients, local law enforcement, the Department of Corrections, various self-help groups, and local mental health services.

Through private donations and an Agency Grant from the United Way of Mason County, we were able provide emergency food packages to many of our transitional housing clients. We also helped our host homes with firewood. We provided Thanksgiving and Christmas meals to our clients and their families and gave Christmas presents to children of client families. We distributed a clothing package consisting of two t-shirts and socks for each of the 150 inmates in the Mason County Jail.

All program services were provided with no labor costs to the organization through volunteer efforts. The table below identifies some of our activities performed that benefit not only the individuals served but also the community itself as we help those who struggle become whole and contributing members of our local society.

Client Service Provided	Unduplicated	Duplicated
Counseling services – persons / sessions	29	170
Transitional housing (housing arranged through volunteer providers) – persons / bed nights	15	1805
Self help sessions (approximated)	625	3360
Interventions	6	11
Referrals	45	72
Telephone support to foster abstinence (24 x 7)	90	1248
Clothing package for inmates at Mason County Jail	150	150
Emergency food packages for families	17	22
Thanksgiving dinner for recovery clients	66	75
Christmas gifts for client children (recipients)	11	11
Christmas dinner for recovery clients	73	73

Numbers are approximate where actual numbers were not available. Unduplicated numbers represent individual clients served where duplicated numbers represent the total number of person/instances services were provided; i.e., an individual may attend several self help sessions, make more than one call for support or be referred to more than one provider.

Organizational Details

South Sound Recovery Services is organized as a Washington Non-Profit Corporation and recognized as a tax exempt organization under IRS regulations Section 501(c)(3). It is governed by a volunteer board of directors and has no paid employees. The following details the board members and officers of the corporation:

Robin L. Goodwin	President, Treasurer
Martin C. Ellis	Vice President
Kimberley Burke	Secretary

Funding and Fiscal Responsibility

It is the full intention of South Sound Recovery to wisely and appropriately use any funding provided either by direct contribution or grant. In our first year of operation, our total administrative expenses consisted of State and Federal filing fees and a small fee from our bank. Since 2004 our only administrative expenses have been our annual corporate filing fees and charity registration fees to the Secretary of State. More than 99% of expenditures went directly to fund program expenses. All listed client and professional services and management are provided without labor expense to the organization. Of course, our plans for the future are to offer even more services in a consistent and professional manner. For 2010, we expect our biggest expense to be for occupancy costs for a planned facility to provide transitional living, counseling and life skills training classes. We anticipate materials for our group meetings, food and toiletries for our transitional guests and other miscellaneous costs to be our next largest expense category. Again, we anticipate providing our services without the need for paid employees.

Planning for the Future

We work with an ad hoc community advisory council to help the Board of Directors prioritize future programs. The following are potential areas of service to our community:

- Clean and sober transitional housing at our own facility
- Mentoring and peer support
- Life skills training
- Emergency and homeless services

Contact Information

Please contact Robin Goodwin, Executive Director, for more information or to schedule an appointment for further discussion. Our address and telephone number are listed above or you may send an email to robin@southsoundrecovery.org