

#189

COMPLETE

Collector: Gimbel Foundat...nd Evaluation (Web Link)
Started: Friday, December 14, 2018 4:48:44 PM
Last Modified: Friday, December 14, 2018 8:16:14 PM
Time Spent: 03:27:30
IP Address: 136.63.90.52

Page 1

Q1 Name of your organization.

Safehome

Q2 Grant #

20170709

Q3 Grant Period

November 1, 2017 to November 1, 2018

Q4 Location of your organization

City	Overland Park
State	KS

Q5 Name and Title of person completing evaluation.

Desiree Long, Community Development Manager

Q6 Phone Number:

913-956-4131

Q7 Email address.

desiree.long@safehome-ks.org

Page 2: Key Outcomes and Results

Q8 Total number of clients served through this grant funding:

650

Q9 Describe the project's key outcomes and results based on the goals and objectives. Use the following format: State the Goal: State Objective 1: Describe the Activities, Results and Outcomes for Objective 1: State Objective 2 (if applicable): Describe the Activities, Results and Outcomes for Objective 2: State Objective 3 (if applicable): Describe the Activities, Results and Outcomes for Objective 3:

Goal: To provide a safe, educational and therapeutic environment for children exposed to domestic violence so that they can begin the healing process.

Objective One: Safehome's Children's Program will provide individual therapy to a minimum of 200 children who have been traumatized by domestic violence and who are, with a parent, seeking safety and support at Safehome in 2018.

Activities: A minimum of 200 children will participate in weekly therapy with a Children's Therapist. Children receive therapeutic activities that include Play Therapy, Art Therapy, Sand Tray Therapy, Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) and Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT).

Results:

- 286 children participated in weekly therapy with a Children's Therapist.
 - 97.3% of children were able to better identify their feelings.
 - 82.6% of children were able to verbalize the violence was not their fault.
 - 79.6% of children were able to verbalize a safety plan.
-

Q10 Please describe any challenges/obstacles the organization encountered (if any) in attaining goals & objectives.

Unfortunately, the need for Safehome therapy services continues to grow. We saw more children in need of therapy than we anticipated and there were still some families on the waiting list at the end of the grant period. We currently have plans to add three additional office spaces so we can accommodate more therapists and intern therapists to accommodate the needs of our community. Another obstacle to achieving our goals was early withdraw of clients from our services. Because transportation is so difficult in Johnson County, some families not staying in the shelter didn't participate in therapy long enough to take our surveys and to achieve the goals we set out for our clients. We hope to remedy this in the near future by continuing to identify transportation options and partnerships.

Q11 How did you overcome and/or address the challenges and obstacles?

As previously stated, we are currently in the process of renovating a storage space to provide more office space so we can see more children. We are also trying to find creative solutions to transportation barriers that keep clients living in the community from attending therapy. We are looking at partnerships with Uber and at leveraging funding to pay for this partnership.

S.L. Gimbel Foundation Fund

Q12 Describe any unintended positive outcomes as a result of the efforts supported by this grant.

Through use of these funds, we were able to partially pay for the salaries of two advocates in our childcare program. This program helps support the work of Safehome by providing childcare for clients so they can attend individual therapy, look for employment, or seek legal help. The childcare advocates are exceptionally talented additions to our team and have brought therapeutic and exciting programs to the childcare center. Specifically, one of the advocates now hosts a weekly music group where he uses music to help kids express themselves and heal. Another positive result is the increased staffing has allowed for additional activities outside of just the childcare center. The childcare advocates have been able to go into the community to educate youth and children about violence and violence prevention.

Q13 Briefly describe the impact this grant has had on the organization and community served.

The S.L. Gimbel Foundation Fund has provided us with the support we needed to pay for our childcare advocates and children's programming. As previously discussed, this funding helped support 650 children in our community. These children participated in our therapeutic children's programming. Statistics show that an alarming number of children are exposed to violence in their homes. In fact, according to a 2010 U.S. Department of Justice report, one in four children are exposed to violence in their homes. Our children's programming has helped 650 children begin to heal from exposure to violence through evidence-based therapy techniques, teaching children about safety, teaching children the violence is not their fault, and providing children with a fun and safe environment to express their feelings. Safehome is grateful on behalf of our agency and our community for the funding provided to support this important program.

Page 3: Budget

Q14 Please provide a budget expenditure report. Also, provide a budget narrative that explains how the funds were utilized, what was purchased, what were the expensed items based upon the budget that was submitted.

All funding from the S.L. Gimbel Fund went directly to Safehome's childcare program. Most of the funds went to pay childcare advocate salaries. A complete budget will be emailed to grant-info@thecommunityfoundation.net. We can also provide time sheets as needed, please reply to our email if that is needed documentation.

Page 4: Success Stories

Q15 Please relate a success story:

More and more families are being provided life-saving shelter and life-changing counseling through Safehome's Children's Program. Safehome measures meaningful change, in part, by recording client progress and success as they engage in services. Our Child & Family Advocate recently worked with a family who benefited significantly from the services of our Children's Program. Her client, Andrea, was the guardian and caretaker of her 11 year old granddaughter. She was being abused by a man she had known and trusted for over 20 years. After her husband died in 2013, he was there to comfort her and help provide for her granddaughter. Unfortunately, soon after moving in together in 2016, the abuse began. Andrea decided she had to protect herself and her granddaughter and fled here from St. Louis, MO. When she came, she and her daughter had nothing but the car they came in and the clothes on their back. She had no job and no family in the area, but she felt coming here was safer than staying in St. Louis where her abuser had ties to an extensive network of friends and family. She immediately took advantage of everything our program has to offer including advocacy, and clinical services. Because she had no help from friends and family, she and her granddaughter relied on help from the Children's Center so Andrea could attend appointments and apply for jobs. Andrea worked with the Child & Family Advocate to enroll her granddaughter in school. She also took advantage of counseling for her granddaughter and family counseling for both of them. Andrea quickly found a job as a bus driver and was able to save money while staying in our program. Over the course of their stay with us, the shelter staff began to notice Andrea and her granddaughter slowly became more confident. They laughed more and participated in more activities as their stay progressed. By the end of their stay with Safehome, Andrea had enough money saved to start over in her own apartment and both Andrea and her granddaughter felt confident enough to regain their independence.

Q16 Please relate a success story here:

Respondent skipped this question

Q17 Please relate a success story here:

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: Organizational Information

Q18 Which category best describes the organization. Please choose only one.

Women & Children

Q19 What is the organization's primary program area of interest?

Children & Families

Q20 Percentage of clients served through grant in each ethnic group category. Total must equal 100%

African American	13
Asian/Pacific Islander	1
Caucasian	46
Native American	0
Hispanic Latino	22
All Ethnicities	0
Other	17
Unknown	2

Q21 Approximate percentage of clients served from grant funds in each age category.

Children Birth-05 years of age	48
Children ages 06-12 years of age	35
Youth ages 13-18	17

S.L. Gimbel Foundation Fund

Q22 Approximate percentage of clients served with disabilities from grant funds.

Physically Disabled	1
Blind & Vision Impaired	0
Deaf & Hearing Impaired	0
Mentally/Emotionally Disabled	1
Learning Disabled	1
Speech Impaired	0
Other Disability	0

Q23 Approximate percentage of clients served in each economic group.

At/Below Poverty Level	83
Homeless/Indigent	80

Q24 Approximate percentage of clients served from grant funds in each population category.

Families	100
----------	-----
