



**warming house
youth center**
a place for teens

Warming House Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2006-2007 July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007

Warming House Youth Center Board of Directors Fiscal Year 2006-2007

Following is a list of Board Members, including office, if applicable.

Board meetings were held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Meetings took place at the First Presbyterian Church in Wilmette.

Debbie van Heck	President
Marc Bieler	Treasurer
Barbara Perce	Director
Adrienne Piennette	Director
Jenny Shukla	Director
Brooke Leiberman	Director
Chau Nguyen	Director

Warming House Youth Center Staff

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Cynthia Doucette
Executive Director

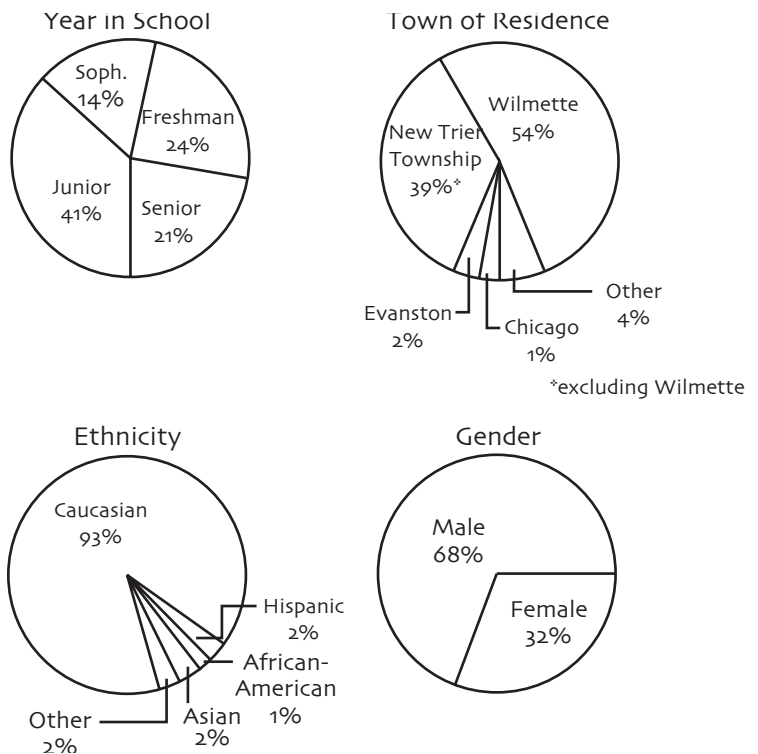
Grace Park
Senior Supervisor

Tamar Mikaelian	Youth Worker
Rebecca Sameroff	Youth Worker
Lauren Olsen	Youth Worker
Sara Sutton	Youth Worker
Diane Reynolds	Youth Worker
Dorothea Duenow	Youth Worker
David McCracken	Youth Worker
Tashika Coleman	Youth Worker
Beth Schneider	Youth Worker
Scott Tinkoff	Youth Worker

Warming House Youth Center Teen Statistics Fiscal Year 2006-2007

From July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 a total of 709 individual teens visited the Warming House Youth Center for a total of 2,398 visits.

The following depicts a breakdown of the total teen visits:



Warming House Youth Center Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Budget

New Trier Township	\$41,500
Wilmette Youth Commission	\$5200
United Way	\$24,000
Individual Donations	\$2000
Other Income	\$500
Organizations	\$12,000
Fundraising:	
Benefit	\$8000
Bowlathon	\$2000
Concerts	\$1000
Interest Income	\$50

Total: \$96,250

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Warming House Youth Center

The Warming House Youth Center was established as "Gates House" by the Congregational Church of Wilmette, in 1971. Over the years, the center became an independent agency and experienced several name changes. In 2002, the agency retired the "Youth Resource Foundation" name and now operates solely as The

Warming House Youth Center.

The Warming House offers today's youth the opportunity to enjoy a safe, substance-free environment, where they can explore their values, test their independence, and develop leadership skills that enhance their overall development.

The Warming House Youth Center program provides both group and individual support counseling services, as well as programs focused on leadership, prevention, education, volunteerism, creative arts, and recreation. Through a variety of activities, self-esteem is enhanced, as teens develop new

skills, identify alternative solutions, and make better choices toward becoming responsible adults.

Programs and services are provided to North Shore youth free of charge. The Warming House is located in Howard Park in Wilmette, Illinois, and is open five days per week.

Warming House Youth Center Programs

Group and Individual Support Counseling
The Warming House provides informal group and individual support counseling services to teens. The staff offers teens the opportunity to learn how to develop personal character, improve behavioral skills, analyze situations, solve problems, build relationships, and identify new opportunities for growth and change.

Power Points
Power Points is the umbrella incentive program to encourage teen participation in programs. Teens are awarded points for their involvement, from Youth Leadership Board to mural painting, and discussion groups. The points are tracked and displayed in the Center for teens to follow. Each quarter, teens can exchange points for raffle tickets in a Center drawing. The Power Points program encourages and rewards the teens for all of their efforts and hard work.

Youth Leadership Board
Youth Board is the Center's leadership program comprised of peer elected teens that meet on a weekly basis. The program promotes leadership skills and problem solving, as the group works together on several projects, including organizing Center programs and fundraisers.

Creative Arts Program
The Creative Arts Program continues to flourish in many new and exciting directions this year. Through projects such as mural painting and weekly open art nights, teens are able to develop new skills and leave their mark on the Center walls. Teens have also helped with Center renovation, making decisions about wall painting and redecorating the Center. Mask making, beading, and collaging are just a few of the activities in which teens take part.

Discussion Groups
Discussion groups are held at the Warming House Youth Center on an informal basis each month. These groups include Alcohol, Drug, and Health discussions. Staff members utilize movies, guest speakers, and educational materials to promote group dialogue concerning pertinent topics.

Volunteer Program
Teens are encouraged to give back to the surrounding community through group projects and activities. The volunteer program organizes activities such as a canned food and clothing drive, work at a local soup kitchen, and volunteering at the Wilmette Holiday Parade and Sidewalk Sale.

Academic Program
Weekly study nights are held at the Center to encourage teens to work on projects, write papers, and study for exams. Staff members encourage a minimum of one hour of quiet time on study nights so teens are

able to get work done. Snacks are available to participants to provide them with brainpower! Staff members are always available to help teens on assignments. The Center also keeps SAT, ACT, and vocational guides accessible to teens that are interested.

Multicultural Program
Teens and staff members provide information on various cultures, countries, and communities through creative presentations, movies, books, and discussion. Teens and staff visit ethnic restaurants post-presentation to finish the evening off with tasty treats from other cultures!

Recreation Program
Teens also have the opportunity to kick back and relax at the Warming House. The Center offers a variety of fun, safe, and supervised programs on a consistent basis. Barbecues, sports tournaments, band concerts, movie nights, and field trips are among the most popular recreational activities.