

My Sister's Place shelters, supports, and empowers

survivors of domestic violence and their children while providing leadership and education to build a supportive community.

As DC's oldest domestic violence shelter, MSP has been serving survivors of domestic violence in DC for nearly 45 years. MSP is unique in offering a full continuum of care, including emergency shelter, transitional-to-permanent housing, wrap-around supportive services, and unconditional cash transfer programs. MSP also engages the community through educational trainings and events, and targeted outreach to the Latinx community.



# **PROGRAMS & SERVICES**



#### **HOUSING PROGRAMS**

Sanctuary Plus and Sanctuary II – our 90-day emergency shelters for survivors and their children provide over 20 families with counseling, case management, daily coaching, and referrals to enable them to successfully transition to permanent housing and independence.

Reaching Independence through Survivor Empowerment (RISE) + RISE Plus – our 1 to 2 year transitional-to-permanent housing programs, where staff provide case management, financial literacy resources, and supportive services to empower participants. Families can remain in their homes after exiting the programs, which serve an average of 75 families a year.



### **CASH TRANSFER PROGRAMS**

Fresh Start Fund – provides clients with onetime financial support for unexpected expenses that may destabilize their ability to remain safely housed or their path to selfsufficiency. Expenses include moving costs, a large utility bill, an unexpected car repair bill, job (re)certifications, educational pursuits, childcare support, and more.

RISE Trust – Provides unconditional cash transfers to 45 RISE clients of \$500/month for 24 months to help survivors set and meet financial goals for long-term self-sufficiency. MSP hopes to expand this pilot program to cover all MSP clients.



### **SUPPORTIVE SERVICES**

Family Rehousing and Stabilization Program (FRSP) – serves 150 families in transitional housing Managed by the city. MSP staff provide clients with case management and supportive services.

Children's Programs- provide specialized support to children to help them develop healthy behaviors and relationships, including through reading hours, playgroups, art therapy, and educational outings.

Move-In Program - coordinates the donation of new/gently used furniture and other household items and facilitates volunteers to move furniture and decorate the apartment for clients.

Aftercare – clients exiting our housing programs receive ongoing aftercare support with casemanagement staff, who provide services and referrals as needed.

know what I was going to do, where my children and I were going to go, until I came across My Sister's Place!...It is more than just a mom and children's shelter, My Sister's Place is A SAFE HOUSE! This is a place of hope and guidance, and it even gives you faith, if you felt like you've lost it.

-Sonya\*, MSP client, \*names and identifying details changed

## **GET INVOLVED**

01

**VOLUNTEER** 

02

DONATE

03

**FOLLOW US & SHOW YOUR SUPPORT** 











