

HELP & SHELTER

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| Date established | 1994 |
| Date and type of registration | Company Limited with charitable status |
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| Number of active members | 40 |
| Number of paid staff | 4 full-time permanent 3 full-time and 2 part-time on contact |
| Number of regular volunteers | 20 |
| Estimated annual budget | 11.5M Guyana dollars |
| Main sources of funding | International Donor Agencies |
| Geographic scope of activity | Ten (10) Administrative Regions |

Mission or primary goal of your organization:

Mission: *To contribute to bringing about a society where attitudes to the use of violence and practices of violence have been transformed.*

Goal: *To provide free assistance to persons who are faced with domestic violence or other social, socio-economic or personal problems, are in danger of having their need for help unmet because of lack of means.*

Main subject areas of activity or programmes

- x Counselling
- x Women's issues
- x Advocacy
- x Violence

Major projects in last two years, including current projects

Project #1 Name/Goal **Domestic Violence Awareness – Working with the Perpetrators**

Start date 2002

End date 2004

Main activities

Component 1 – To train social workers on how to deal with the perpetrators.

Component 2 – Train the Trainers: to do workshops and seminars with frontline workers; police officers; nurses; women's organisations; schools and others.

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| Main source(s) of funding | UNIFEM |
| Project theme or sector | |
| Project partners | RDC's; GAPSW; IDCE |
| Geographic scope | Ten (10) Administrative Regions |
| Results of Project | To target a wide cross-section of persons and to set-up a counselling facility to counsel the perpetrators of domestic violence. |

Project #2 Name/Goal **Implementation of Domestic Violence Act**

Start date September 11, 2002

End date April 30, 2004

Main activities

Sub-Project 1 – Counselling and referrals and up-grading of counsellors.

Sub-Project 2 – Court support (moral and advisory) is provided to clients whose cases are being pursued in the courts and request such assistance.

Sub-Project 3 – Public Education, Outreach and Skills Training; workshops are done in all ten regions that target community workers including teachers, police officers, soldiers, nurses, regional admin. Staff, students, youth groups, religious groups, women orgs. And persons going to the health centres.

Sub-Project 4 – Project Coordination: to develop long term plan and monitor each sub-project.

Main source(s) of funding CIDA/GEF

Project theme or sector

Project partners RDCs; APA

Geographic scope Ten Administrative Regions

Results of Project To speed up the process of the implementation of the Domestic Violence Act.

Major projects planned for at least next two years

Project #1 Name/Goal **Implementation of Domestic Violence Act**

Main activities

To continue to do public education and advocacy and skills training in the area of domestic violence and child abuse.

Also to work in collaboration with other organisations as the AIDS Secretariat and the Salvation Army since the services they offer are inter-related with domestic violence.

Main source(s) of funding

Geographic scope

Networking

What other NGOs would you like to share information with or collaborate with in your activities?

1. AIDS secretariat/Lifeline Counselling
2. Salvation Army