organizational background
For more than 34 years, My Sisters’ Place (MSP) has worked to end violence in intimate relationships and combat the effects of domestic violence on women and children throughout Westchester County. MSP has evolved from a grassroots task force and drop-in center into a cutting edge leader and resource in the field of domestic violence advocacy, shelter and legal services and education and prevention. Based on the tenet of taking a holistic approach and addressing the root causes of family violence, MSP is continually expanding in order to effectively respond to the increasing and changing needs of individuals in crisis. MSP’s mission is to engage each member of society in our work to end domestic violence, so that all relationships can embrace the principles of respect, equality, and peacefulness.

programs and services
MSP provides comprehensive shelter, advocacy, legal services, and supportive services for victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse, stalking, and human trafficking and currently offers services and programs that address the needs of domestic violence victims at various stages of separating from their abusers and their subsequent pursuit of productive, independent lives. Services and programs include: two emergency shelters; a 24-hour hotline for assistance and referrals; an extensive support group network in both English and Spanish; a full service Legal Center providing advice and representation; and a life skills program that includes job training. MSP’s comprehensive children’s services include both residential and non-residential support groups and a therapeutic art program for children who have experienced domestic violence. Outreach efforts reach high school students to prevent dating violence and healthcare workers to identify signs of domestic violence.

2011 agency highlights
- MSP’s Legal Center assisted more than 1,000 women with legal brief services, advice and representation related to orders of protection, child support and custody and immigration.
- MSP’s emergency hotline answered over 2,500 calls.
- MSP’s Domestic Violence Education and Prevention program reached over 6,700 teens throughout the county with community outreach and work in the schools addressing healthy relationships and teen dating violence.
- MSP’s counseling programs supported over a 1,600 women through individual and group support.
- MSP’s children’s services supported over 2,000 children through individual and group support and art therapy programs.
- MSP’s emergency shelter provided housing for nearly 200 women and children.
- MSP’s programs provided support and services to 10 victims of human trafficking.

Find us on the web: www.mysistersplacenyc.org
MSP’s most recent audited financial report and IRS 990 form can be found on our website: http://www.mysistersplacen.org/financials. The following revenue and expense charts are based on MSP’s most recent financial reports:

**FY 2010 revenue $4,530,354**

- Shelter: 23%
- Government contracts: 6%
- Government contracts - state: 14%
- Government contracts - local: 28%
- Private grants: 5%
- Fundraising: 23%
- Investment and other: 1%

**FY 2011 revenue (budget) $4,811,931**

- Shelter: 24%
- Government contracts - federal: 5%
- Government contracts - state: 12%
- Government contracts - local: 29%
- Private grants: 8%
- Fundraising: 22%
- Investment and other: 0%

**FY 2010 expense $4,502,684**

- Residential programs: 26%
- Non-residential programs: 34%
- Legal services: 24%
- Fundraising: 7%
- Administration: 9%

**FY 2011 expense (budget) $4,770,911**

- Residential programs: 24%
- Non-residential programs: 35%
- Legal services: 22%
- Fundraising: 8%
- Administration: 11%

*Included in Fundraising Expenses is the salary expense for staff dedicated to fundraising activities on behalf of MSP.*