



# Shifra Homes

Maternity Residence for Young, Homeless, Pregnant Women

## *Annual Report* 2013



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## *Message from the Executive Director*



First and foremost, I would like to take this opportunity to say what an incredible privilege it has been assuming the role of Executive Director of Shifra Homes. As a mother of two terrific boys, Jonathan 29 and Justin 18, I finally realized I would never have the opportunity to experience childbirth with a daughter of my own. Perhaps I would one day have the honour of being a mother-in-law, however that role takes a back seat to the intense bond of a mother and daughter.

Since assuming my position here, I feel both blessed and privileged embracing the role as “acting mother” for many of our young women as they brought their beautiful babies into the world. Cutting the umbilical cord for the first baby under my care was an experience that touched my heart in a way that cannot adequately be expressed- I felt an overwhelming sense of pride witnessing the birth of this tiny, precious, miracle. There is no greater reward in life than having the opportunity of assisting someone during their time of absolute need. With this understanding, I feel extremely honoured to be a part of these young women’s lives and having the opportunity to make a difference for them and their babies.

It is with equal importance I acknowledge the tremendous support of our volunteers, students, community and donors. Without you, none of what we do at Shifra Homes would be possible. As I continue my journey of assisting these young women and their precious babies, I have taken Shifra in a new direction. It is my goal to ensure that we continue to work on behalf of these young women and advocate for their cause.

Please accept my sincere gratitude for all of your continued support of Shifra Homes, the young women we serve, and their babies. Without the generosity of our supporters and funders, our work and mission would not be possible and for this I am so grateful.

Nancy Romic, Executive Director

### *Funding*

Shifra Homes would like to gratefully acknowledge the following donors:

Oakville Community Foundation

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### *Board of Directors 2013*

Randy Matters President

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### *Imagine Canada*

Shifra Homes has joined a pilot project with the Halton Region, Community Innovation Department to accredit our organization with Imagine Canada. Halton Region hosts regular workshops for us to assist us with this endeavour. Accrediting Shifra Homes with Imagine Canada will add credibility to our donors. We need to pass 73 standards to be able to receive accreditation from Imagine Canada.

## Welcome to our Annual Report for 2013

2014 marked a year of change and transition for Shifra Homes Inc. Change can be an overwhelming word for someone that is encountering difficulties with life and day to day living. Change has been an essential word at Shifra Homes for the past several years. Change stands for something positive and good. While change can be at the best of times overwhelming, change is a period to reflect, regroup and move forward in a new positive direction. Our goal at Shifra Homes has been to provide shelter and services to young homeless pregnant women at their time of need. Our objective has expanded in order to assist these young women not only while they are residing at Shifra Homes but especially during their time of transition back into the community.

### SHIFRA HOMES INC.

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013.

	2013	2012
REVENUE		
Donations - General	\$ 31,063.55	\$ 33,690.31
Donations - Angel Program	\$ 24,727.08	\$ 17,176.28
Donations - Baby Bottle Program	\$ 47,127.90	\$ 28,226.34
Donations	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Donations - Foundations	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 6,602.82
Special Events, Gala & Misc.	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Residential Contributions	\$ 21,080.00	\$ 6,808.00
Other Income	\$ 7,355.36	\$ 339.70
Total Revenue	\$ 171,353.90	\$ 92,843.45
EXPENSES		
Staff & Personnel	\$ 76,112.48	\$ 55,553.84
Rent	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 18,000.00
Utilities	\$ 5,161.97	\$ 4,382.76
Insurance	\$ 1,799.36	\$ 2,359.20
Consulting & Legal	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 0.00
Fundraising Expense	\$ 0.00	\$ 841.73
Telephone	\$ 1,458.00	\$ 1,294.36
Supplies	\$ 12,427.63	\$ 0.00
Household & Food	\$ 19,068.42	\$ 7,700.35
Travel/Mileage	\$ 4,933.44	\$ 1,720.15
Administration & Postage	\$ 1,625.60	\$ 747.51
Bank Charges	\$ 168.31	\$ 54.28
Advertising	\$ 765.33	\$ 429.85
Program	\$ 1,010.48	\$ 1,720.37
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,216.00	\$ 0.00
Membership	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Total Expenses	\$ 144,597.02	\$ 94,904.40
Net Surplus (Deficit) for Year	\$ 26,756.88	\$ (2,060.95)