Donations

The shelter requires \$3,000,000 pesos annually (approximately \$270,000 USD) to effectively provide for the safety and well-being of the clients.

The shelter does not have paid staff members, only volunteers.

Donations are urgently needed. Both monetary and in-kind donations are accepted.

In-kind donations most urgently needed at this time include diapers, milk, personal hygiene items, blankets, children's toys, and construction materials.

The shelter is also in need of volunteer labor to assist with building re-

Tax deductible donations are accepted through the International Safe Shelter Foundation (ISSF) on behalf of the Centro de Proteccion. The ISSF is a 501(c)3 public charity.

To make a donation please:

VISIT our website: ISSF-US.org

Email: [website email or another email?]

[Will we only have the Paypal option available or offer option of sending a check?]

Contact Information

ISSF:

Website: ISSF-US.org

Email: mail@issf-us.org

Centro de Proteccion de Mujer a Mujer:

Website: Juarez-shelter.org

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Interested in being a board member? Contact us for more information!

Email: board@issf-us.org

Mission:

To empower shelters in Latin America that serve abused women and children



International Safe Shelter Foundation

ISSF was founded as a tax exempt organization in 2012. It grew out of a collaboration between the Returned Peace Corps Volunteers Service Organization of New Mexico State University and NMSU's Family Violence Project. After supporting a domestic violence shelter located in Cuidad Juarez, Mexico for many years, a group of dedicated volunteers decided to create a non-profit foundation, in part so that we could raise tax exempt donations for the shelter. In the process of creating the foundation, we expanded our mission to include charitable organizations overseas that serve abused women and children. While our current focus is on Latin America, we hope to expand to other regions as our organization grows.

ISSF has been classified as a 501(c) (3) charitable organization by the IRS and donations are tax deductible in accordance with the law. ISSF has very low administrative costs. All work is done by a volunteer board of directors. Because of this, close to 100% of the money donated goes directly to the organizations that we support.

Centro de Proteccion de Mujer a Mujer

The Centro de Protección "de Mujer a Mujer" serves victims of domestic and gender-based violence in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico. The shelter was founded in 2001 by a group of persons who identified with and wanted to assist women in the city who were victims of domestic and gender-based violence. The center provides food, shelter, counseling, and job skills training to women and their families who have experienced domestic violence.

The vision for the shelter was born in the heart of its director and founder, Angela Fierro Sandoval. Ms. Sandoval experienced domestic violence in her home as a child. As a result of her childhood experiences, she wanted to make sure that any woman facing similar experiences would have someplace to turn for help.



Domestic Violence Worldwide:

- Violence against women is a major public health problem and violation of human rights
- 1 in 3 (35%) of women worldwide have experienced either physical and/or sexual violence in their lifetime
- Globally, as many as 38% of murders of women are committed by an intimate partner

World Health Organization, Jan. 2016

Shelter Services:

Women who have experienced domestic or gender-based violence, in particular those who do not have support networks or who are at risk, can stay in the shelter for 3 months. The shelter can house 10 families with an average of 3 children per women at a time.

Ensuring the safety and well-being of the woman and her children is the first priority when a woman enters the shelter. In addition, food, clothing, shoes, and all basic necessities are provided. Other services provided without charge include therapy, legal and medical assistance, case management, and peer counseling. The shelter is available 24 hours a day 365 days per year.

The shelter provides services to anywhere from 45 to 55 women per month.