

HELPING PEOPLE MOVE FROM CRISIS
TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY



Shelby
Emergency
Assistance

Annual Report 2012

THE OPPORTUNITY

to lead

OUR HISTORY

Shelby Emergency Assistance began in 1973 through the efforts of local individuals concerned about the needs of others in our community. These individuals, working as volunteers, developed the basic philosophy that guides our services today. In 1977 the agency became affiliated with United Way of Central Alabama, which led to our expansion of services to cover all of Shelby County. Since that time, SEA has continued to develop a comprehensive array of services directed toward providing basic needs and promoting positive change.



Our Goal

To provide the basic needs of people in crisis, helping them achieve self-sufficiency and empowering them to make positive contributions in their communities.

Our Mission

**Helping People Move
from
Crisis to Self-Sufficiency**

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THE OPPORTUNITY

to make an impact

SOCIAL SERVICES

SEA's social services are provided by licensed social workers who complete assessments, develop service plans, and provide assistance to stabilize the crisis situation. The social workers are knowledgeable of local resources and often collaborate with other agencies to better serve individuals and families in our community.



Food donations are received from churches, businesses, schools, and individuals.

During summer months, produce is provided by the local Farmers Markets, University of Montevallo Organic Garden, and individuals.

2,361 INDIVIDUALS WERE ASSISTED THROUGH
OUR SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SERVICES INCLUDE:

777 Social work assessments

Food assistance provided for ***1,491*** individuals

Housing assistance provided for ***52*** Individuals

Purchase of ***105*** Prescriptions

Financial assistance for ***100*** doctor and dentist visits

Power assistance for ***540*** Individuals to prevent
disconnection

Water bill assistance to ***120*** individuals to prevent disconnection

Gas heating bill assistance for ***25*** individuals



THE OPPORTUNITY

to learn

EDUCATION SERVICES

In 2012 there were **855** individuals that received services from the Education Department. One of the services provided is budget management. The client attends a budget session and information is given to help the individual meet expenses and become more self-sufficient. There were **170** budgeting sessions provided. during the year.

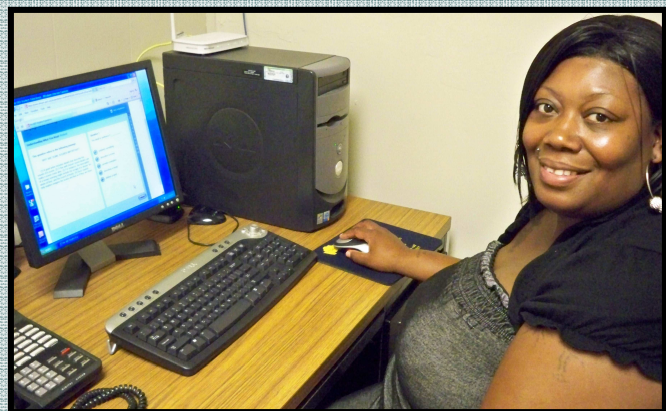


Services include:

- School supplies for **173** children
- Project Christmas assistance for **176**

Other services include:

- **83** GED and tutoring sessions
- Job search assistance for **51**



THE OPPORTUNITY

to grow

S.T.E.P. SERVICES

Shelby Teens for Effective Parenting, STEP, is available to pregnant or parenting teens (ages 12-19) who are residents of Shelby County. STEP meets on a weekly basis at Shelby County Schools and the classes are designed to directly impact the physical and emotional well being of teen parents. Lessons include prenatal and parenting topics.

THE GOAL

TO PROMOTE HEALTHY BABIES AND MOMS, EDUCATE PARENTING TEENS TO CARE FOR THEIR CHILDREN; SUPPORT HEALTHY LIFE STYLE CHOICES WHILE ENCOURAGING SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND GRADUATION.

In 2012:

- **69** teens participated in STEP
- **97%** of the teens maintained school enrollment
- Of **28** births to teens, all were healthy babies with birth weights (5 lbs, 8 oz+)



THE OPPORTUNITY

to give

SEA THRIFT STORE

The SEA Thrift Store provides assistance to our clients who are in need of clothing, household items, furniture and appliances. The Thrift Store is also available for local shoppers who enjoy finding collectibles and good bargains. Customers are always informed about the services provided by SEA and are pleased to learn that their purchases help people in need.



SHOP SAVE GIVE

In 2012:

- SEA Thrift Store assisted **128** individuals with needed items
- **13** families were assisted who were homeless or victims of house fires.
- **65** children received clothing assistance.
- Items provided to clients was valued at **\$2,174**
- **51** volunteers worked and provided over **982** hours of service at the Thrift Store.
- More than **460** thrift store donations were received

THE OPPORTUNITY

to help others

HELPING US HELP PEOPLE

Since its beginning, Shelby Emergency Assistance has depended on volunteers to provide a variety of services.

In 2012:

- **106** Volunteers provided office/clerical services, assisted with the food pantry, worked in the thrift store, and provided direct assistance to clients
- Volunteers provided over **1,993** hours of service



Special Thanks to the following organizations for their on-going support and collaboration

*Alacare Home Health & Hospice
AmStar Cinema
Anglican Church of the Holy Comforter
Asbury United Methodist Church
Calera First United Methodist Church
Calera Middle School
Calera High School
Central Alabama Community College
Centrala Garden Club
Christ the King Lutheran Church
City of Montevallo
Community of Hope
Crosscreek Baptist Church
Dr. Gary Howard
Ebenezer United Methodist Church
First Presbyterian Church of Alabaster
Helena First United Methodist Church
Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity
MHS Peace Makers Club
Michael's (Highway 280)
Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging*

*Montevallo Evening Garden Club
Montevallo First Baptist Church
Montevallo First Methodist Church
Montevallo Main Street Players
Montevallo Middle School Leaders of Tomorrow
Montevallo Study Club
Oak Mountain Ministries
Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley
Shelby Baptist Association
Shelby County Commission
Shelby County Community Health Foundation
Shelby County DHR' Jobs Program
Shiloh Baptist Church
Spring Creek Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Southside Baptist Church
Specification Rubber
St. Andrews Episcopal Church
St. Thomas Catholic Church
Target (Alabaster)
University Baptist Church
University of Montevallo*

SHELBY EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Clients Served

Alabaster	412
Calera	402
Chelsea	32
Columbiana	183
Harpersville	34
Helena	78
Hoover	16
Leeds	5
Maylene	105
Montevallo	1,025
North Shelby	54
Pelham	111
Saginaw	5
Shelby	25
Sterrett	31
Vandiver	14
Vincent	21
Westover	8
Wilsonville	76
Wilton	49
Other County	76

Total 2,762

Funding Sources for 2012

United Way of Central Alabama	\$ 218,779
Federal Grants and Contracts	\$ 46,534
Foundations Grants	\$ 77,000
Thrift Store Sales	\$ 59,509
City and County Funding	\$ 23,000
Contributions	\$ 36,742
Fundraising	\$ 5,261
Other	<u>\$ 1,881</u>
Total	\$ 469,102

Expenditures

Program Services	\$ 418,702
Management & General	<u>\$ 38,800</u>
Total	\$ 457,502

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