



## Autumn House Fact Sheet

- WHAT:** Autumn House is a 24-hour crisis program for victims of domestic violence. Autumn House serves women, men and their children who require temporary shelter and support as a result of violence in the home. Services include:
- Crisis hotline
  - Information and referral assistance and resources
  - Basic needs assistance
  - Domestic violence education and safety planning
  - Empowerment through self-awareness classes
  - Goal setting
  - Case Management and Advocacy
  - Community Support Groups
- WHO:** Autumn House provides refuge for thousands of survivors of domestic violence. More than 300 adults and children are served annually, including adult males and male children over the age of 12.
- WHERE:** Autumn House's location is confidential. Crisis hotline: (480) 835-5555
- WHEN:** Autumn House has provided services to the community since 1983 and was the East Valley's first domestic violence shelter.
- WHY:** Domestic violence is a pervasive problem with devastating results. A New Leaf opened Autumn House in response to community initiatives, and with the support from various agencies and the City of Mesa.
- HOW:** Autumn House utilizes volunteer support and receives funding from the Mesa and Valley of the Sun United Ways. Other support comes from fundraising events, individual and business donations, and a variety of charitable organizations.
- CONTACT:**  
(480) 835-58174

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Hearing impaired call TDD (800) 367-8939.

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. How many people per year does Autumn House serve?

Autumn House typically serves 300 adults and children a year, about half of which is children under the age of 18. Autumn House has 22 beds and some cribs for infants.

### 2. How long are victims able to stay at Autumn House?

Autumn House provides emergency shelter and a safe haven for 30 - 120 days, (depending on client's needs) during which time case-managers work with the client to find permanent or transitional housing.

### 3. How are victims referred to Autumn House?

To enter the shelter, clients call Maricopa County's CONTACTS (Community Network for Accessing Shelter) hotline, which refers them to domestic violence shelters that have beds available.

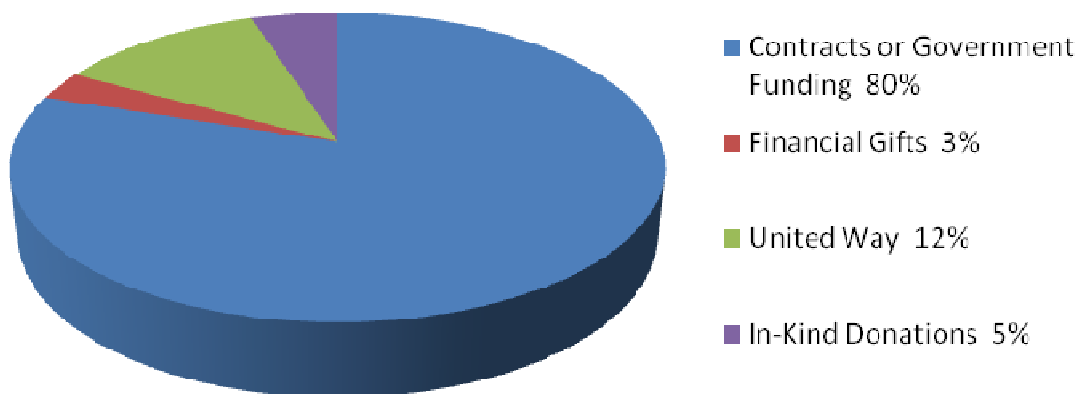
### 4. Is Autumn House able to accept men fleeing domestic violence?

Autumn House is one of the few domestic violence shelters in the Valley that are able to accommodate adult male victims as well as women with boys over the age of 12.

### 5. How can I help?

You can help Autumn House by giving a donation online, participating in an annual drive or volunteering. To find more about ways to help visit [www.TurnaNewLeaf.org](http://www.TurnaNewLeaf.org).

### A New Leaf's Autumn House 08-09 FY Budget \$571,112



The cost per night for Emergency Services is \$88 per person.