

# The Salvation Army West Women's and Children's Shelter

Dear Friends of the West,

Each May we create many opportunities to honor the courageous mothers who have found refuge from domestic violence here at West Women's and Children's Shelter. A Mother's Day Tea will pamper and feed the soul for all moms currently residing in shelter. Our community partners combine resources to provide gift bags which include special but practical self care items. Your generous support allows mothers and children to heal, reunite, and grow in a community free from violence. This is the greatest we gift we can give a mom who has removed herself and her children from domestic violence.

Please honor the many courageous mothers of the West this Mother's Day. Your gift will ensure we are there for those who will call upon us in the years to come for a "safe place to begin" after experiencing domestic violence.

With Gratitude,  
Fay Schuler  
Director  
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*"Thank you to The West,  
you have allowed me to  
mother my children at  
my best.  
Happy Mother's Day to  
all!"  
Mom/Survivor*



*"My newborn son  
was taken from me  
at birth. If it wasn't  
for the West he  
would not be with  
me today"  
Mom of 5 month old  
baby*

## **With your help in 2013 The West**

### **Sheltered**

- **38 families**
- **63 children**
- **72 women**
- **5 newborn babies**

### **Provided**

- **2,650 hours of child care**
- **115 food boxes to hungry families**
- **reunification of 7 mothers & children**

*"In times of need the West  
was here. Opening their  
doors to protect us from our  
fears. Their encouragement  
and support allows the  
healing to begin fast. I have  
peace in my body, mind, and  
soul. Hope for a new future is  
my one true goal."  
Mom of 7 and 12 yr old*