Empowering women to recover sobriety, identity, home, family, and community by providing treatment, housing, and supportive services.
“Words can’t even start to express how truly grateful, thankful, blessed and amazing my life is since Wayside has become my family. I am a worthwhile, important, smart woman with a whole lot to offer myself and others.”

—Nicole

Friends of Wayside,

Thank you so much for all you have done to provide a new future for the women and children in our care. We are excited to share with you the good work we accomplished through your love, generosity and support. Because of you, 552 women who didn’t know where to turn, came to Wayside House and received services that helped them on the road to long-term recovery. 296 children now have their caring and nurturing mothers back who can fully focus on being the best mothers they can be. These women have their lives back and the children have their mothers back. Because of you, this became possible.

This was a milestone year for Wayside House as we celebrated our 60th Anniversary. Throughout 2014, we took opportunities to honor our history and learn from those who came before as we set the future strategic direction. A major focus of our work was directed at how Wayside House will operate in light of health care reform. A key priority of the Affordable Care Act is increasing access to preventative services. Wayside House’s Board of Directors spent this past year preparing the organization to be at the forefront of this transition and worked towards opening an Outpatient Clinic. This clinic, the Wellness Center, will allow us to reach out to women and children to prevent the need for residential treatment giving us an opportunity to provide a full continuum of services.

2014 was also marked with transitions. Karina Forrest-Perkins joined Wayside House as the new Chief Executive Officer. We are looking forward to drawing upon her expertise in the chemical dependency and mental health fields along with her knowledge of the emerging government trends. We also had a transition in the Finance Department with Dan Ursin joining our team. We have remained fiscally strong by making important internal infrastructure changes to implement a new billing system that is in alignment with the health care reform.

We are also happy to report that in September, Wayside House was recognized for our work at our Family Treatment Center by being awarded a three year federal grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Wayside House was one of only 19 organizations in the nation, and the only in Minnesota to receive this $1.5 million grant, which allows mothers to receive treatment while maintaining the family unit.

Again, thank you for the role you have played in allowing us to bring healing and hope to the women who came to us with the courage to turn their lives around. Thank you also for committing yourself to reaching out to the children who come into our care and helping us to break the generational cycle of dependency. We are pleased to share with you the work we have accomplished in 2014 and look forward to what 2015 will hold.

Wayside House Board of Directors, 2014

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This past year, Wayside House received a federal grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for Pregnant and Post-Partum Women. This grant is to enhance Wayside’s Family Treatment Center, one of only five in the state allowing women to enter care with their children. In addition, Wayside House was the only organization in the state to receive this federal grant, a testament to the excellent services Wayside provides.

One of the most significant areas Wayside House focused on this past year, was our philosophy of care. Women who come to us have severe issues of chemical dependency and have had unsuccessful treatments at typically three other providers. What this means is that the nature of the addiction makes it harder to achieve sobriety and makes their time at Wayside more challenging. It also means that these are the women who need treatment the most. This shift of care resulted in a 38% increase in women successfully completing chemical dependency treatment at Wayside.

During 2014, Wayside House worked on creating the structure for a new Outpatient Services site. This site will allow the organization to expand services to meet the needs of women who aren’t at the severity stage where they need residential care and will prevent the addiction from escalating to that level.

Wayside House strengthened its financial position this past year. The organization closed the fiscal year better than budget projections and improved its cash position allowing us to better serve the women and children in our care.

Wayside is the best thing that’s ever happened to me. I am healthy and happy.”

—Claire
Wayside House Services

Wayside House provides four areas of programming: women’s treatment, family treatment, supportive housing, and recovery support services. Our services have been designed to allow us to meet the needs of the most struggling and vulnerable women.

Women’s Treatment Center
Serving 394 women in 2014, the Women’s Treatment Center is Wayside House’s largest program. The center provides both residential (inpatient) and non-residential (outpatient) care helping women recover in a supportive, safe and nurturing environment. Women are primarily coming for assistance in overcoming their alcohol (44%) or crystal methamphetamine (28%) addiction, but treatment is provided for any chemical dependency. Our services are based upon best practices as identified by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. This includes gender specific programming, trauma informed care (approximately 90% of women have been victims of abuse), treatment for mental health care needs, and motivational interviewing (a proven method to support women in self-initiating changes).

Family Treatment Center
Similar to Women’s Treatment Center, services are provided both in a residential and nonresidential setting. In many instances, women delay treatment because they are worried about what will happen to their children while they are dealing with their chemical dependency. Other women in our care are trying to reunify with their children after it has come to the intervention stage of children being removed from the home. By being able to provide family treatment, women not only receive services for their addiction, but they also learn how to strengthen their ability to parent their children; breaking the generational cycle of dependency. The children also receive an array of care, improving their health, development and well-being. Women in this program are similarly dealing mostly with alcohol and crystal methamphetamine dependency, but a significant population also have an addiction to heroin. In 2014, 131 women and their 253 children were provided care. Also in 2014, Wayside House received a federal grant for our Family Treatment Center allowing us to strengthen our impact with women and their children.

Recovery Support Services
Our programming extends beyond chemical dependency treatment to providing comprehensive services preparing women moving back into the community and learning how to deal with stressors and triggers that might otherwise cause a relapse. We ensure women are connected to health services and work to establish a sober support network. Services also include support in securing safe, affordable and supportive housing. Women receive assistance in securing employment and learning financial health skills. Celebrating Families, an evidence based program, provides 14 weeks of services addressing the needs of children and parents who have been struggling with chemical dependency. The program engages the entire family unit to prevent future relapses and to create a healthy and strong family.

Supportive Housing
Twenty-seven women and 36 children resided in Wayside House supportive housing in 2014. Our housing ensures women are able to transition successfully from residential treatment while still receiving supportive services. At our housing program, women benefit from case management, children’s services and crisis intervention. The children’s services help women who have been in treatment to receive assistance in learning to strengthen parenting skills and build strong relationships with their children. As supportive housing, women may pay up to one-third of their income towards rent.
It really makes a difference to be **empowered for changes that I have made** and continue to make instead of being constantly degraded for my past.”

—Jennifer

### The bigger picture

Wayside provides more than just chemical dependency treatment. Here are only some of the ways we create a foundation of support for women and families.

- **Nursing care**
- **GED assistance**
- **Financial literacy**
- **Case management**
- **Lifeskills training**
- **Parenting coaches**
- **System navigation**
- **Art and play therapy**
- **Parenting education**
- **Pregnancy education**
- **Post partum education**
- **Peer recovery coaching**
- **Vocational rehabilitation**
- **Section 8 system assistance**
- **Trauma education and therapy**
- **Pediatric medical care referrals**
- **Family education and treatment**
- **Dental care for mother and baby**
- **Childcare and therapeutic childcare**
- **WRAP services for the entire family**
- **FAS education and support for adult and child**
- **Child abuse and neglect prevention and coaching**
- **In home parenting support after completing treatment**
- **Behavioral screenings and assessments for adults and children**
- **Advocacy for housing, career development, and probation conditions**
- **Paying for individual and group counseling when the insurance runs out**

### Wayside’s funding gap

Out of an average annual per-patient cost of $9,185, Wayside is reimbursed for $6,794, leaving a funding gap of about 26%.

- **Prison**: $41,364/yr
- **Unemployment**: $13,860/yr
- **MN Family Investment Program**: $11,736/yr
- **Treatment at Wayside**: $9,000 /90 days
- **Homelessness**: $45,209/yr

### Relative costs

Treatment costs society and families less than other options and consequences. Compare the average cost of treatment at Wayside to alternatives.

### The need for care

The percentage of women in Minnesota who need treatment and actually receive it is shockingly low, highlighting the need for our services.

Women in Minnesota who need treatment and actually receive it: **9.6%**
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Kathleen Brogan
In Memory of Margaret Litfin Claessens
William & Virginia McDonald
In Memory of Lynette Ready
Dennis Ready
In Memory of James Edson DeVay
Taunton Forge Sunshine Fund
The Wayside House, Inc. and subsidiary consolidated statement of financial position December 31, 2014, with comparative totals for 2013 assets

### 2014 Income

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### Assets

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<td><strong>5,508,580</strong></td>
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Shanna

Growing up. Shanna’s watched her mom take drugs and drink to excess in front of her and her siblings. Her home life was not stable or nurturing due to the addiction stealing her mother’s time away from the family.

At 16, Shanna started drinking and using drugs herself. At 17, she had her first child and when her child was nine she was taken away. Shanna later had a second child who was also removed from the home at the age of four. Shanna was now homeless and the father of her two children was in prison. Shanna wanted a second chance at motherhood and at life. The addiction had controlled 20 years of her life. After one last unsuccessful attempt to stay sober on her own, Shanna sought the help of Wayside.

Shanna developed a great relationship with her Recovery Coach during her time at Wayside and continues to still talk with her. Shanna also says her counselor “was phenomenal and helped me in my journey.” “At Wayside I learned how to live a life of normalcy,” says Shanna. “The staff were patient and kind. I felt comfortable because it was all women, I knew this was where I would thrive.” Wayside provided treatment for Shanna’s chemical dependency and also provided services for her mental health care needs, something which is common to most women who receive our care. Shanna completed both the residential program and outpatient treatment. Shanna is now living in sober housing and still meets with her Parenting Coach. Shanna is happy, healthy, sober and looking forward to her new future.

Wayside was an amazing experience.” —Shanna