Dear Friends,

Here is what we know: depression, anxiety and other mental health disorders are debilitative and at times, life threatening, to thousands of women in our community each year. There are many barriers to receiving mental health services, but the single largest barrier is the inability to pay for treatment. At The Women’s Initiative, we provide evidence-based, effective mental health treatment to women, regardless of ability to pay. In 2014, The Women’s Initiative provided services for over 3,400 women in our community. Our work is only possible through the generous contributions of our pro bono therapists, volunteers and donors. Thank you.

As one local mental health provider recently shared, “There would be no other place for women to get the care they need if you were not here.” The mental health counseling, social supports and education programming that we offer fill a critical gap in the safety net of our community. Our services give women the opportunity to transform life’s most challenging moments into growth and healing.

Our unique partnerships enable our work to go directly to those most in need. Whether a patient at the Charlottesville Free Clinic or an elderly woman attending JABA’s Mary Williams Center, our programs extend into the community to assure all women have access to education, social supports and mental health treatment.

With your help we provided vital services to our community in 2014, yet there is more work to be done. I hope reading this report will inspire you to get involved and stay involved with The Women’s Initiative and the clients we serve.

With deep appreciation,

Elizabeth Irvin, Executive Director

In 2014, The Women’s Initiative provided services to 3,495 community members – an increase of 24% over 2013.
WHO WE SERVE

WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY ABOUT OUR SERVICES

“I feel supported. I can be more present for my child. Community based support is very crucial for the mothers in their community.”
- 2014 TWI Client

“I am here. I have hope. I am contributing and responding to life in a way I can be proud of.”
- 2014 TWI Client

“I felt supported and guided while working through emotional traumas. Now I’m able to step back and think through what I’m feeling instead of running right to panic.”
- 2014 TWI Client

“I feel like I have my life back and am not drowning in emotions that I cannot control.”
- 2014 TWI Client

“I CAN NOW SAY WHAT IS ON MY MIND. I STAND UP FOR MYSELF.”
THE WOMEN’S INITIATIVE CORE PROGRAMS

Social Support
• 290 Participants in our social support activities
• Examples include our Mothering Circle, Knitting Circle and Meditation hour

“I feel safe and welcome and know that I am not alone.”
- 2014 TWI Client

Mental Health Counseling
• 474 Episodes of Care for Individual Counseling
• 537 Free Wellness Consultations
• 110 Group Participants in our Healthy Relationships, Grupo de Apoyo and Stress Management Groups

“I am fortunate to have received [this] care. Thank you to The Women’s Initiative....”
- 2014 TWI Client

Education and Outreach
• 2292 Education and Outreach Participants
• Highlights include:
  * Teaching stress management to mothering groups at Friendship Court, Westhaven and Southwood
  * Festival of the Book with Dr. Norman Rosenthal’s memoir detailing his own triumph over adversity
  * Challenge Into Change Writing Contest with 33 women’s stories at the JSCC African-American Heritage Center

CLIENTS HEAL AT THE WOMEN’S INITIATIVE

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“I AM ABLE TO FACE EACH DAY WITH COURAGE.”
## PARTNERSHIPS STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITY IMPACT

### JEFFERSON SCHOOL CITY CENTER NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH PROGRAM
- 841 people, including 114 mental health counseling clients served through our satellite program
- Co-tenant partnerships with MJH Starr Hill Center, JABA and the African American Community

> “I am so grateful to have you right here in our community. I now do not have to feel like the type of help I need is unreachable. I am feeling healthier and inspired. Many many thanks!”
> - 2014 TWI JSCC Client

### BIENESTAR
- 382 women were served in our Bienestar Spanish-speaking program in 2014:
  - 104 Latina women received mental health counseling
  - 278 participated in education and outreach activities

> “I feel that I have improved a lot, both as a mother to my children and as a human being. Your treatment was excellent.”
> - 2014 TWI Bienestar Client

### INTEGRATED CARE AT CHARLOTTESVILLE FREE CLINIC
- ALL CFC patients are now screened annually for depression
- 281 patients were evaluated and treated by TWI staff and pro bono therapists

> “The close partnership with The Women’s Initiative enabled CFC to launch a new way of providing patient care, by integrating mental health treatment into our medical model.”
> - Erica Viccellio, CFC Executive Director

### WHAT OUR PROGRAM PARTNERS SAY ABOUT OUR SERVICES

**The Women’s Initiative has a reputation for excellent, effective, brief treatment for women.**

**TWI is my number one choice for referrals within the Hispanic population.**

**I love the walk-in programs. I often suggest walk-in sessions to introduce folks to other TWI services.**

**TWI is my top choice for counseling services for moms, especially moms who are in a bad situation currently or are trying to recover from a bad situation or relationship in their past.**

## PROGRAM PARTNERS

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- UVA MEDICAL ASSOCIATES
- WESTHAVEN COMMUNITY

“I AM STRONGER THAN EVER IN EVERY ASPECT OF MY LIFE.”
YOUR SUPPORT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

**REVENUE**
- 57% Individual Donations $480,911
- 22% Grants $190,025
- 13% Events $108,725
- 6% Nonprof/Corp/Spons $48,898
- 2% Fees for Service $21,014
- < 1% Interest $578

**TOTAL** $850,151

**EXPENSES**
- 82% Program Services $562,611
- 14% Fundraising $92,590
- 4% Administration $29,024

**TOTAL** $684,225

“...situation….

and my money accessible to me—wonderful offering such thank you for my money off—wonderful...I just want to say thank you for offering such wonderful services—now accessible to me and my money situation... Many many thanks! “

- 2014 TWI Client

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-Bebe Heiner, Founder and Past Chair

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