Our Mission

WCRC’s mission is to provide a structured reality and vocationally oriented program in a safe and secure environment, therapeutic with a vocational focus for women who have a mental illness and who, most often, are homeless.

Our goal is to enable these women to regain their independence and permanent housing in their community.

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You are Making a Difference!

Donated household items go into the homes of our clients who have reached the ultimate goal of living independently within our community. Keep in touch with us and spread the word! Connect with us through Facebook, Twitter, e-mail updates, and our website to receive the most current news on WCRC, including volunteer opportunities. Feel free to call and schedule a tour or visit! Connect us with your friends and contacts at organizations and businesses to help form relationships for WCRC and strengthen our local community as a whole. Lastly, you can show your support for WCRC by making a direct or online monetary donation. Your charitable contribution goes to help reduce WCRC’s funding gap and supports our programs bettering the lives of our ladies seeking recovery and independent living.

Shopping Online? Your purchases can earn donations for WCRC!

If you’re like most of us, you do some of your shopping online. The chances are that you spend around $1000 a year online (that’s the average amount each American spends). Did you know that if you did your online shopping through Louisiana Community Marketplace (LCM), you would be contributing at least $60 a year to the Women’s Community Rehabilitation Center? Just think, if 100 people did their online shopping through LCM, WCRC would get $6000! With 1000 people, it would be $60,000! LCM is owned and operated by HOPE Ministries, a Capital Area United Way partner agency and LANO member. Every purchase made through LCM directly benefits sponsoring nonprofit organizations, such as WCRC, through the payment of commissions by participating online stores. All you have to do to earn donations for WCRC is make just one extra click to Louisiana Community Marketplace each time you shop online. LCM now features 246 stores (including Amazon, 1-800-PetMeds, Best Buy, Groupon, Expedia, Netflix, Office Depot, Kmart, ProFlowers, Target, and many more!) to meet all of your shopping needs and the list is growing every day.

Click here: www.LouisianaCommunityMarketplace.com/WCRC & start shopping!
Charlotte* entered the WCRC program on a referral from a state psych hospital. Due to her overlooked mental health issues and extensive drug abuse, she was in and out of the hospital and prison system for over 10 years. Ready to break free from her drug addiction and gain control of her mental health, Charlotte* began to take the first steps on her road to recovery. WCRC counselors assisted her in learning how to manage her mental illness through group and individual counseling and how to control her addiction through the Substance Abuse Program. Charlotte*, now better prepared to take the next step on her journey to recovery, was ready to find employment. WCRC’s Supported Employment Program assisted her in obtaining and maintaining employment through vocational counseling, job development, and job coaching. While job searching, she dedicated free time to her volunteer site to gain the experiences of community activism and other potentially useful job skills. Due to her criminal history and lack of employment history, her job search lasted for a strenuous and dedicated 7 months. Offered full-time employment in the retail service field, she was elated and one step closer to regaining her independence. Charlotte*’s commitment to her work and her health proved she was ready for WCRC’s Permanent Supportive Housing Program. She was able to attain an apartment that she was able to furnish thanks to donors like you! With the assistance of WCRC, she achieved the goals she set for herself upon entry into the program. We are very proud of Charlotte* and all of her accomplishments!

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**Client Success Rate over 38 years: 86%**

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2012 Bowl-A-Thon: A Success Thanks to Donors & Volunteers!

On January 29th, participants of the 2012 Bowl-A-Thon arrived at Circle Bowl for an afternoon of bowling, games, door prizes and fun with fellow WCRC supporters. This year our theme, “Celebrating Louisiana’s Bicentennial,” inspired sponsors to don everything from Mardi Gras boas to hats resembling Louisiana critters! This event raised about $6,000 for WCRC.

This year’s bowl-a-thon was held in memory of Jay Hogue, a longtime supporter and friend of WCRC. Thank you to all our sponsors for coming out this year, and we hope to see you next year for our 10th annual Bowl-A-Thon!

To learn how you can sponsor or volunteer for next year’s event: CLICK HERE!

We would love for you to join us in our efforts of building community support and raising awareness for WCRC. The Fund Development Committee meets with WCRC staff to plan and develop goals for fund-raising programs and events. If you or someone you know would be interested in joining WCRC’s Fund Development Committee contact: Lisa Gibbs: 225.928.1400 Lgibbs@upliftd.org

Keep Up With All The Fun...!

WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS! ♥

Current Opportunities:
- Guest speakers for topics of interest to women
- Handyman for variety of tasks
- Hobby or craft demonstrations
- Gift-wrapping in November/December

Looking to get involved in our community?
Looking for service hours for school?
Sign-up to receive volunteer opportunities and other updates by clicking here:
contact WCRC directly at kgibbens@upliftd.org or 225.336.0000

Our Wish List

Personal Care:
- Toothpaste & toothbrushes
- High efficiency liquid detergent
- Deodorant
- Hair care products
- Twin sheets, blankets, comforters, mattress pads
- Bath towels & wash cloths
- Shower curtains
- Bath rugs
- Utensils
- Household Items

Service Wishes:
- Carpets cleaned
- Floors waxed & buffed
- Washing & painting of facility exterior
- Removal of small storage shed
- Speakers for Skills Training Groups
- Game & Spa nights
- Gift certificates/services to cut & style residents’ hair

WCRC operates at $85 per day, per bed compared to daily hospital rates ranging $350-$800

Make a difference in the life of a woman in need of your support!

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Direct or Online Giving at
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In-Kind Donations
Clothing or Household Items

Time
Participation on a Committee

Point of contact
Connect us with potential Community Supporters

Talents
Provide In-Kind Services

Volunteer Opportunities
Get to know the staff and residents of WCRC through ‘hands-on’ involvement!