

# 12 CHH Accomplishments

## Throughout Its First 2 Years

As we celebrate CHH's second anniversary of providing outreach to the local community, Volunteer Gordon Werner reflects back on all that CHH has accomplished in its first two years.

1. **CHH Impacts Many Lives:** Through individual counseling as well as courses, support groups, lectures and seminars given by professional counselors, CHH has served 544 people over its two-year lifespan.

As of the beginning of July 2012 CHH has had a total of 474 programming participants. That includes 140 participants in the Cognitive Behavioral programming, 134 in the Life Skills programming and 200 participants in the Education programming. In 2013, we anticipate increasing this overall number to over 600. Programs have been offered on a quarterly basis since the fall of 2010. CHH issues a quarterly brochure that averages 15- 20 separate programs per quarter.

70 people have benefited from counseling from CHH since September 2010. We anticipate the Counseling program will see between 150-200 clients in 2013.

2. **CHH's Epiphany House Gains Town Approval:** Since September 2011, CHH has been renovating a building on church property that will be used to house CHH's counseling and education programs. On August 9, 2012, Cary Town Council approved CHH's use of the Epiphany House for its headquarters. Thanks to hard work from CHH staff and volunteers the house is almost ready for its CHH debut.

3. **CHH's Epiphany House Nears Completion:** Most of the construction work on Epiphany House has been either a gift from a third party—such as the sidewalk which was donated—or has been done by CHH volunteers—such as the painting and refurbishing of the interior. St. Paul's, as the home's owner, kept up maintenance on the house by repairing its leaking roof and painting of its exterior.

4. **CHH Counsels Those Who Need It:** CHH generates income from client payments, insurance reimbursements, co-pays, course fees, etc. Those who cannot afford it are being served on a low-pay or no-pay basis so that no one is turned away for lack of ability to pay. CHH is approved to file with Medicaid.

5. **CHH Business is Self Supporting:** CHH clinicians receive part of the income from client payments, but part of that income comes back to CHH to cover costs. So CHH is self-supporting and is not financially dependent on St. Paul's Church. We expect that as business methods improve and the client base grows, CHH will generate more income and will be able to carry out its mission of helping even more people.

6. **CHH Using More of Its Own Resources:** CHH's bank account balance has remained fairly constant. CHH is generating revenue enough to keep itself going and not to be a burden to St. Paul's. Because CHH has had its own bank account since September 2011, bookkeeping services from the church are no longer required.

7. **CHH Receives Boost from Grants and Donations:** Some of CHH's income is from grants and donations. Most grant income is used to subsidize low-pay or no-pay clients. A recent grant from the Diocese of NC will help with the move into Epiphany House.

8. **CHH Benefits from Sally's Leadership:** As agreed between CHH and the Vestry, The Rev. Dr. Sally Harbold, our assistant rector, devotes part of her salaried time to CHH, which serves as a mission from St. Paul's to the community as well as to the parish. Pastoral counseling has long been a function of St. Paul's (as it is with most other churches).

9. **CHH Pays No Staff Salary:** No one else is being paid by the church to work on CHH. Clinicians make their living through client and insurance payments. The remaining work on CHH, including the Board of Directors, people on various CHH committees and other workers are volunteers who receive nothing but the satisfaction of serving others.

10. **CHH Earns 503(c)(3) Nonprofit Status:** CHH is now a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization with its own separate IRS tax-exempt determination. However CHH is classified as a supporting organization of St. Paul's and so will always be tied to St. Paul's. This nonprofit determination helps insulate St. Paul's from liability and also makes it easier for CHH to seek grants.

11. **CHH Launches New Website:** CHH has its own website, [www.CHHCary.org](http://www.CHHCary.org). CHH also issues a monthly e-news which is available via email by subscription.

12. **CHH Outreach Grows:** The most gratifying result of CHH is that it has been a wonderful outreach mission to the community in keeping with St. Paul's mission, "*Acknowledging that all gifts come from God, the mission of St. Paul's Church is to know Christ and to make Christ known.*"