A YEAR TO Build On

HOPEWELL
2008 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY
Hopewell is a therapeutic farm community located in Mesopotamia, Ohio. Since 1996, our residential program has helped people with schizophrenia, bi-polar disorder and major depression learn to believe in their own potential and develop the necessary skills to successfully manage their mental illness.

We are the only residential mental health facility in Ohio that provides this type of treatment-based, community-centered care.

At Hopewell, meaningful work, involvement in a community focused on healing, medication management and therapy give many residents a sense of belonging and well-being they have never before experienced.
From any perspective, 2008 was a record-setting year.

We reached more people than ever before, started new programs, strengthened a greater number of partnerships and even added a new building, the David Cutler Conservatory, to our campus.

We could not have accomplished this without your support.

In other words, you helped some very special people with a mental illness do something incredible - start new lives and reconnect with the people they love.

This accomplishment is even more significant when you consider the financial impact on our endowment in the fourth quarter of 2008. There will inevitably be financial challenges as families struggle to afford the expense of keeping their family members at Hopewell. Nevertheless, we remain in good shape thanks to the strong leadership of our Board of Directors and staff and the continued generosity of our community of friends.

Thank you for believing in Hopewell and the work we do.

Sincerely,

Susan M. LaPine
President, Board of Directors

Richard R. Karges, LISW, ACSW
Executive Director
Hopewell provides an effective healing environment for individuals with serious mental illness once acute psychiatric symptoms are stabilized.

We assist the members of the Hopewell community by strengthening their social skills, their emotional competency, and their commitment to medication compliance to enable them to function at their highest level of effectiveness.

In addition to daily staff and resident work crews that keep the farm functioning, programming includes:

- Anger Management
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy
- Creative expression
- Dual diagnosis issues
- Equine Assisted Psychotherapy
- Meditation and spirituality
- Money management
- Music – Instruction and performance opportunities
- Independent living skills (planning, shopping, cooking, healthy living)

Off-campus trips give residents the opportunity to experience community life on a greater scale and put into practice many of the skills they learn in Hopewell’s safe environment.

In 12 years of serving people with a mental illness, residents have come from the following areas:
EXCEEDED BUDGETED CENSUS AND FEE REVENUE
Hopewell’s average daily census and projected fee revenue exceeded the 2008 budgeted numbers April through December. The year-end average daily census for 2008 was 35.2 – the highest in Hopewell’s history and actual fees exceeded projected fees by $43,000. This success resulted in another first for the organization – a waiting list of potential residents.

EXPANDED FOCUS ON FARM PROGRAMMING
In 2008, Hopewell refocused our efforts on integrating the farm into our daily program. For the first time in our history, we hired a Farm Manager who not only took ownership of the property, animals, equipment and livestock, but worked closely with our Food Services Manager to improve sustainability.

INCREASED GOVERNMENT SUPPORT
Through expanded and consistent outreach to regional county mental health boards, our marketing and admissions team were successful in increasing the number of residents whose treatment was covered by these government funders.

SERVED 60 RESIDENTS
In 2008, Hopewell cared for 60 individuals with serious mental illness. We admitted a record 32 (nearest previous number was 28). The average length of stay for all residents was 7 months. There were 22 residents who were discharged in 2008 and that population’s length of stay was 4.6 months.
**2008 Financials**

**Revenue**

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<td>Contributed</td>
<td>66%</td>
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<td>Earned</td>
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<td>Interest Income</td>
<td>16%</td>
<td>$206,830</td>
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<td>-149%</td>
<td>($1,877,748)</td>
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**Expenses**

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<td>76%</td>
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<td>19%</td>
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<td>5%</td>
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