

Giving **justice and opportunity** a name

BIENNIAL REPORT 2010-2011



**SHRIVER
CENTER**

Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law



Dear Friends of the Shriver Center,

The Shriver Center has had two very busy and productive years since our last report. The last two years placed us on the frontlines of several major issues, including the Affordable Care Act, the foreclosure disaster, the affordable housing shortage, and the federal and state budget deficits. As we go to press, we are well into 2012, and 2010 and 2011 seem like a long time ago. Without the work completed during those crucial years, however, the game-changing work we undertake today would not be possible.

Our mission is to provide national leadership in advancing laws and policies that secure justice to improve the lives and opportunities of people living in poverty. We pursue that mission through our advocacy, communication, and training programs. Our attorneys work on all the aforementioned issues, around the country and in Illinois. Our communication program enlightens the national advocacy community and the general public about the issues and strategies for addressing them. And, our training programs build and support the workforce for justice across the country. We aim high!

In 2010, The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation chose the Shriver Center to receive its award for Creative & Effective Institutions. It recognized our

achievements in making available a measure of justice to people living in poverty by bringing about systemic change and improving their lives and opportunities.

These have been challenging times for the country and particularly for people living in poverty—difficult times of unemployment and underemployment, rampant foreclosures, small business closings, bankruptcies, and growing poverty. We must be effective and creative to sustain fairness and opportunity. Our efforts paid off, resulting in successes like: Put Illinois to Work, which provided 27,000 low-income parents and young adults temporary jobs during the Great Recession; a law that protects victims of domestic violence from evictions based upon violence; and lowering the co-payments of families enrolled in Illinois' Child Care Assistance Program.

In 2011, we acquired the Center for Legal Aid Education (now the Shriver Center Training Programs), a move that expanded our presence nationally and increased our ability to address the full-range of advocacy and leadership skills equal justice advocates need to represent their clients effectively.

Advocacy, communication, and training. Each is successful alone, but in combination, their effectiveness increases exponentially. For example, our communication team worked with the asset building specialists on our advocacy team to produce a webinar on alternative credit reporting that reached an international audience, including as far away as Sri Lanka. And our advocacy lawyers collaborated with the training staff to design new training programs and served as faculty.

You'll read more in the pages that follow. Though the road ahead is sure to be a difficult one, we are prepared for the challenge.

—John Bouman
President and Advocacy Director

Greetings,

As you've learned from John Bouman, the Shriver Center built remarkable momentum in 2010 and 2011, but many challenges remain. The state of the economy and the current political climate make it essential that we continue to perpetuate the legacy of Sargent Shriver, who said:

As a profession, we are defending the rule of law—not as a bastion of privilege—but as a revolutionary ideal—as fundamental as democracy itself—as timeless as the principle of justice. ... That's why the legal profession has provided one of the great new weapons in the War Against Poverty—justice—legal justice—social justice—moral justice—for all.

I was honored to serve as Board Chair for the Shriver Center during the past two successful years. We stand proud in carrying out Sarge's "revolutionary ideal"!

Thank you for your friendship and past support. Please consider making a gift this year to make certain the Shriver Center remains able to continue its excellent work.

—Stuart R. Cohen
2010 and 2011 Chair, Governing Board



GIVING JUSTICE AND OPPORTUNITY A NAME

Dan, Karen, Wendy, Kate, Ellen, Ilze, and Margaret. Their work and the work of many others at the Shriver Center have helped tens of thousands of Americans live better, healthier and more secure lives. The experiences of people like Mitzi, Elise, Liliana and Robert prove it.

Advocacy

ASSET OPPORTUNITY

We believe everyone has the right to move out of poverty through the accumulation of assets.

Imagine: if all outside sources of income were to disappear, one in four households would not have enough in assets to meet their expenses for three months. The Shriver Center strives to change such statistics because we know that both personal and financial assets provide a base to help people move out of poverty. We help communities build assets, protect assets, and expand ownership. Over the past two years:

- We helped gain passage of the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, which will protect consumers and address the regulatory weaknesses blamed for the 2008 economic crisis. The Act also established the independent Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.
- We advocated a new Illinois law that regulates payday loans—short-term, high interest loans secured against a borrower's paycheck. Borrowers pay an average of \$520 in interest for eight \$375 two-week loans or extensions! The new law implements regulations that prevent exploitative and predatory practices. It caps the allowable interest rates and the number of loans a lender can make to an individual, and requires lenders to consider borrowers' ability to repay.

These kinds of successes protect Americans and smooth the path to accumulating and keeping assets. We recognize that building intangible (e.g., education) and tangible assets (e.g., a home) are fundamental to helping people obtain economic security. That is why we work hard to improve and expand asset-building programs and policies, including retirement savings through automatic IRAs and college savings through 529 plans. And, that is why we insist on financial education and the elimination of such barriers to saving as asset limits in public benefit programs.

What We Do

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Robert

Born during one of Illinois' worst budget crises, a time when Illinois State legislators grappled with a gaping hole of \$13 billion in the state budget, the Responsible Budget Coalition (RBC) is made up of 300 organizations that work together to prevent harmful cuts to essential services. The Shriver Center was a convener of the RBC and helped to lead the fight to protect and even improve services that are crucial to the well being of many Illinoisans.

Robert Wordlaw is executive director of the Chicago Jobs Council (CJC), a coalition of about 100 community-based organizations that are dedicated to helping disadvantaged people in Chicago and other Illinois communities move out of poverty and into the workforce. CJC is a member of the RBC. "There was pressure as the budget crisis grew for legislators to look at areas of human services to make cuts. The RBC and the Shriver Center were able to lead the effort in minimizing

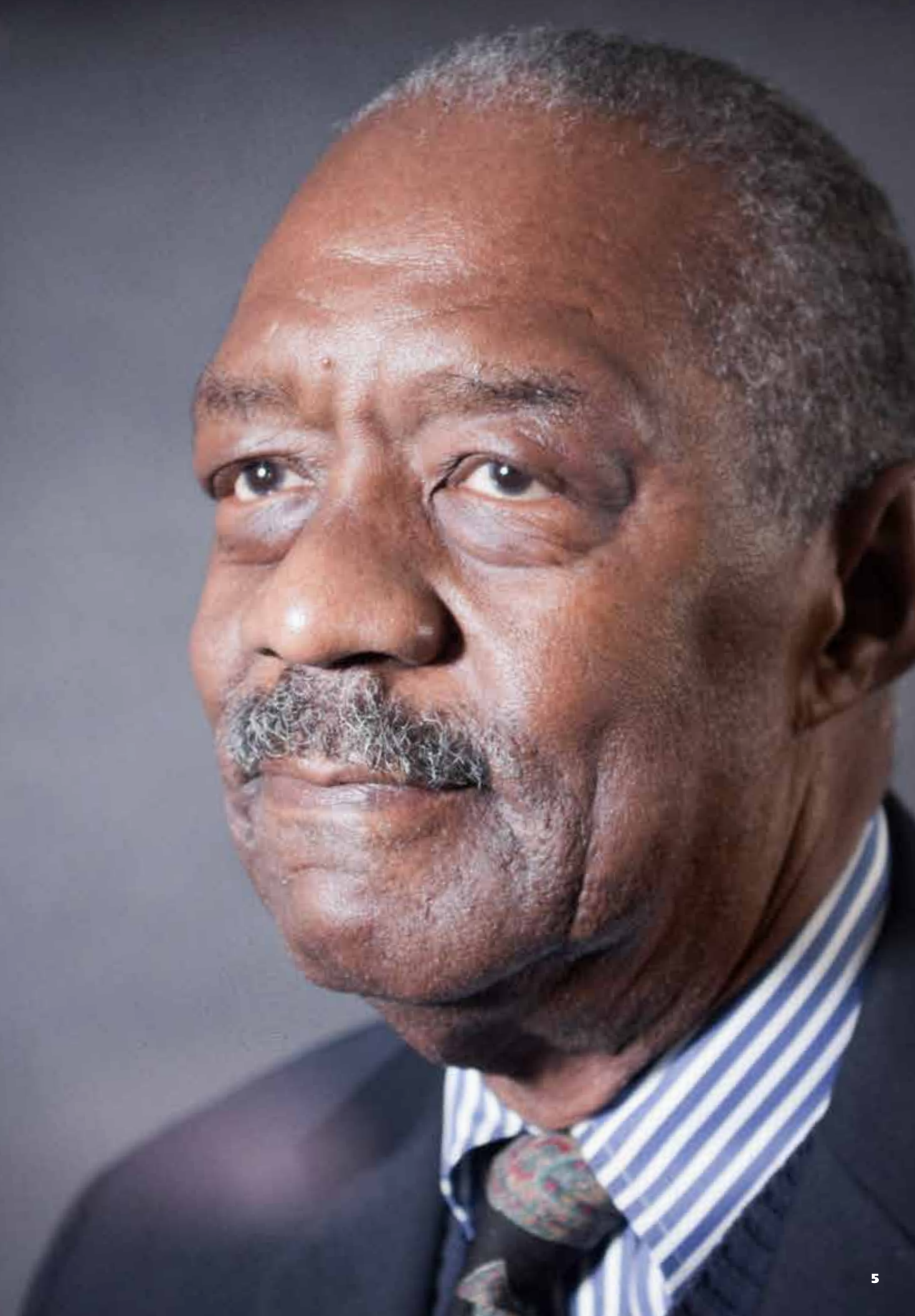
Making Differences

those safety net reductions that would have pushed people deeper into poverty and worsened their quality of life."

For some of Robert's clients, welfare benefits and child care services are critical. "Helping to maintain food stamp and childcare services is vital, especially if a client on Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF) is thinking about accessing education or training to move back into the workforce."

"The RBC not only identified the problems but, more importantly, it offered solutions by identifying possible revenue options to pay for these activities. Those using TANF may continue accessing the kind of employment preparation that will eventually move them off of TANF." He credits the Shriver Center's Dan Lesser with leading the efforts to minimize budget reductions that would lessen TANF clients' ability to effectively participate in meaningful workforce development programs. "Without the leadership of the Shriver Center, many of these kinds of successes may not have happened."

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The Shriver Center is one of 11 organizations from around the world to be awarded the MacArthur Foundation 2010 Award for Creative and Effective Institutions.

BUDGET AND TAX JUSTICE

We believe state and federal budgets should be balanced with responsible spending and adequate revenue to support programs that help people.

It is not enough to identify investments that will help improve the lives and increase the opportunities for upward mobility of people living in poverty. At the Shriver Center, we know that we also must promote equitable and practical ways to pay for those investments. Programs like early childhood education, health care, affordable housing, and job training depend upon adequate public support. We challenge state and federal legislators to give such programs high priority and to make the revenue systems of each be fairly distributed, sustainable and sufficient to support them.

The Shriver Center has been the convener and leader of the Responsible Budget Coalition in Illinois, which includes over 300 organizations from many different sectors, including human services, education, faith-based, civic, labor, healthcare, and others. The coalition successfully advocated a significant and overdue increase of the personal and corporate income taxes in 2011, adding \$7 billion to state revenues. This provided a balanced approach to resolving a \$15 billion budget deficit, and kept open the doors of providers of vital services such as child care.

We stand for a balanced approach to the resolution of the federal deficit and state budget crises. The approach focuses on careful efficiencies on the spending side that protect important policies and investments, combined with needed enhancements and fairer responsibilities on the revenue side.

ASSET OPPORTUNITY

The Asset Opportunity Unit, led by Karen Harris, was awarded the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (FDIC's) highest award for nonemployees for its work in personal finance education.

COMMUNITY JUSTICE

We believe that no one with a criminal record should be punished after she or he has paid a debt to society.

We therefore challenge the barriers that keep 65 million people nationwide who have criminal records from participating fully in family, community, and economic life. We stand up for laws and policies that promote opportunities for employment, education, health care, and housing. We also represent people in court proceedings to lower or eliminate barriers stemming from their records and work to change negative public attitudes and laws and policies that are punitive toward those who have paid their debt to society.

“War on drugs” and “tough on crime” policies have burdened millions who have records. These policies have not made communities safer, but have cost much in dollars and depressed opportunities. Policymakers and the public are realizing the shortsightedness of over-broad use of criminal records. With Shriver Center advocates in the forefront of the change, the Illinois General Assembly (GA) expanded access to just and humane remedies. The GA also listened to our advice in adopting new licensing measures tailored to job requirements.

Through public education, legal representation and advocacy, we continue to press for justice.

ECONOMIC JUSTICE

We believe all individuals and families have the right to economic security and opportunity.

All people aspire to have a good job that provides their families and themselves with economic security while being protected from the harshest effects of life's vicissitudes. People living in poverty face multiple barriers to achieving this basic objective, including low education levels and learning disabilities, poor physical or mental health, less work experience, lack of marketable skills, young children, a higher incidence of domestic violence, and difficulties in accessing the programs that are intended to address these barriers. This is why we do the work that we do.

The Shriver Center pushes for expanding skill-building opportunities and we advocate policies and programs that provide a basic level of sustenance and create opportunity for people to achieve economic security. Our work encompasses the major public benefit programs, including Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) cash assistance; the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly Food Stamps); and child care assistance. Changes to these programs have far-reaching effects. In August 2011, 45.8 million Americans accessed SNAP and 4,375,022 received TANF.

We led successful campaigns in several areas in 2010-11, including:

- As part of a coalition, preserved funding for and access to the TANF program;

ECONOMIC JUSTICE

John Bouman served as co-counsel on a New Mexico case in which the trial judge struck down as unconstitutional a state law that excluded approximately 10,000 farm and ranch workers from workers' compensation coverage. The ruling could influence policymakers and advocates in other states.

- Helped over a million Food Stamp recipients better access nutritious food and avoid long lines at grocery stores by spreading out issuances over the month; and,
- Offered a comprehensive review and set of recommendations for improving families' access to child care assistance. We continue to advocate adequate funding for needed services.

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ECONOMIC JUSTICE

Dan Lesser led the fight for enactment of a bill that expanded access to the Temporary Aid for Needy Families cash assistance program, helping families across Illinois.

Liliana

“I feel comfortable dropping Alejandro and Mateo off because I know that they’ll be safe in a good, positive environment.”

Liliana Salamanca, a single mother, works as a restaurant manager and caterer in Chicago. Her two sons, three-and-a half year-old Alejandro and two-year-old Mateo, attend St. Vincent de Paul Day Care.

“If I didn’t have quality child care available, I would be struggling both financially and personally. Having child care helps me to work so I can provide for my sons and their needs,” Liliana said.

The Illinois Department of Human Services offers her a subsidy that makes the care affordable. Without child care subsidies, Liliana would have to depend on the availability of family members to care for her two sons, or take them to work, where they would be great distractions. Or, she would have to give up working.

Over the years, the Shriver Center and its partners have thrown their considerable advocacy skills and the respect they’ve earned into the fight to maintain child care subsidies. These subsidies allow access to affordable child care for low-income parents who are in school or working. And, because the Shriver Center staff know the lifelong value of early childhood education, they have stood firm on their insistence that providers offer high quality child care.

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HOUSING JUSTICE

Working with tenants, Housing Justice Director Kate Walz and Staff Attorney Samantha Tuttle saved a project-based Section 8 development housing 54 families when they fought and won preservation and redevelopment of the property, which had been threatened with foreclosure.

HEALTH CARE JUSTICE

We believe that regardless of income, status, or family situation, everyone has the right to high-quality health care.

The Shriver Center advocates affordable and comprehensive health insurance coverage for all. For people living in poverty, Medicaid, the State Children's Health Insurance Program, and other public health insurance programs are essential for coverage. In Illinois, about two million people are covered by one of these programs. The programs should be administered to make certain everyone who is eligible is enrolled and has access to preventive, primary and specialty care as needed.

Medicaid and other health care programs have been under threat due to dire state budget shortfalls during the recession. The Shriver Center successfully advocated that Illinois not impose major Medicaid eligibility cuts in the state's Medicaid Reform Act in 2011. Instead, the state found savings through changes that also can improve health outcomes: care coordination, long-term care reform, and health information technology. A great outcome in a dire budget year.

With 49.4 million Americans lacking health care insurance in 2010, we worked hard to support passage of the Affordable Care Act and filed two "friend of the court" briefs in the Supreme Court in support of its constitutionality. We celebrated the Court's decision to uphold the law. Now, we will work to implement it in the most productive way possible in states.

The Shriver Center continues the campaigns for a competitive Illinois health care marketplace, innovations on better care and greater efficiency with public funds, and on-time implementation of the Affordable Care Act's Medicaid expansion.

HOUSING JUSTICE

We believe that all people should have access to safe, decent and affordable housing.

We work, therefore, to preserve affordable housing for individuals and families of low income, expand housing opportunities where jobs and good schools are available, ensure that tenants' housing and civil rights are honored and protect the housing rights of victims of violence.

We stand up for the interests of people living in

poverty through litigation and policy advocacy, and we offer technical assistance—research, education, training and legal counsel—to our partners so that they can uphold housing and civil rights laws.

In 2010 and 2011,

- We fought and continue to fight to stop the condemnation of a project-based Section 8 development, home to 356 low-income families of color, in Joliet, Illinois. The United States Department of Justice Civil Rights Division filed suit against the City of Joliet, joining our team to preserve this affordable housing and remedy civil rights violations.
- In partnership with the Housing Preservation Project, we conducted a national study on the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD)'s administration of utility funds for the approximately 1.3 million households living in HUD-assisted projects. The study confirmed wide disparities in the administration of these funds, which impede families' abilities to cover utility costs. HUD has issued guidance addressing our concerns and suggested reforms.

We persist with our commitment to ensure that affordable housing is maintained, and continue to challenge policies that oppose affordable housing or make it unavailable to those in need.

WOMEN'S LAW AND POLICY PROJECT

We believe that girls and women have the right to laws, policies and programs that promote opportunities and ensure justice.

We draw on the experiences of low-income women and girls to create and promote legal and policy solutions to improve their lives in every aspect, including:

- Safer and more welcoming school environments and improved implementation of Title IX, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender in any education activity receiving federal financial assistance, through our Ensuring Success in School Initiative
- Access to quality job skills training
- Fair workplaces and family-sustaining employment, including in high-wage, traditionally male occupations
- The availability of public benefits that are responsive to the needs of women and their families
- Protections from the devastating impact of domestic and sexual violence.

We are finishing the work for the statutorily-created Ensuring Success in School Task Force, including statewide public hearings where testimony was presented about the barriers to school safety and success for students who are parents, expectant parents, or survivors of domestic or sexual violence. A final report in 2009 contains administrative and legislative recommendations to help protect and encourage the success of young people, including the 13.8% of Illinois high school students who reported being a victim of dating violence and 9% who said they were physically forced to have sexual intercourse. We reconvened the Ensuring Success in School Coalition to draft both a model policy and legislation based on the Task Force's recommendations.

We also worked to finalize rule changes for the Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act, and helped develop Complete the Degree to encourage adults who started but did not complete their college education to do so.

Going forward, we remain focused on these complex issues with new strategies and solutions.

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WOMEN'S LAW AND POLICY PROJECT

Women's Law and Policy Project Director Wendy Pollack led the statewide Ensuring Success in School Task Force that investigated barriers to school completion for youth who are parents, expectant parents or victims of domestic or sexual violence.

COMMUNITY JUSTICE

Community Justice Director Margaret Stapleton presided over the nationally award-winning re-design of the child support enforcement program in Illinois. It now promotes involvement of both parents in the rearing and support of children.

Elise

Since the foreclosure crisis socked the country, many attorneys were challenged to keep up with rapidly changing policies, practices, and laws regarding foreclosure. Over the past four years, “The law was changing every day, every week,” said Elise Brown, Deputy Director, MFY Legal Services.

MFY provides legal services to people of low income in New York. Much of Elise’s practice is dedicated to representing homeowners in foreclosure proceedings and obtaining loan modifications to allow homeowners to stay in their homes.

Elise has urged other attorneys to read an article published in the *Clearinghouse Review* on the Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP). “A measured review and analysis is difficult when things are changing so quickly on the ground. The HAMP article was written by two advocates who ... took the time to stop and review what was happening nationwide.”

Elise said that the article gave her and others ideas about what they could do to be most effective. “It is a studied and up-to-date assessment of arguments and enforcements—strategies that were working and not working.”

MFY has secured HAMP loan modifications for clients that have saved them more than \$8 million in principal and interest over the life of the loans.

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Communication Programs

We believe legal services attorneys and equal justice advocates must be armed with the knowledge and standards needed to help their clients.

The Shriver Center takes pride in its one-of-a-kind Communication Programs, which serve as a prominent hub for information exchange among civil legal service providers and other advocates for people living in poverty across the nation. Our practice of bringing advocates together is a hallmark of our comprehensive, multi-pronged strategy to help Americans living in poverty attain justice and opportunity.

We employ various media to connect advocates with one another to accomplish our goal, including information-packed materials and a communications forum where they may learn about different strategies and best practices. Our flagship publication, *Clearinghouse Review*, features articles written by experts in their fields—among them, Shriver Center advocates—on the latest developments in poverty law, as well as stories about affirmative advocacy efforts undertaken by legal aid providers across the country. Once a year, *Clearinghouse Review* focuses on one theme in particular, introducing our resources to new audiences and strengthening the use of innovative strategies to help clients. In 2011, preceded by a panel discussion “preview” (webinar), we published “Claiming Our Role as Human Rights Lawyers: How a Human Rights Framework Can Advance our Advocacy”—the 2011 special *Clearinghouse Review*.

We also provide

critical news and information to advocates through advocacy stories, various social media, webinars, and e-newsletters. Our unit’s free monthly e-newsletter *Clearinghouse Review News*, reached 7,731 individuals at the end of 2011. Also in 2011, attorney–editors began blogging, adding new perspectives and topics to the *Shriver Brief*, the Shriver Center’s blog.

The Federal Practice Manual for Legal Aid Attorneys, published in collaboration with leaders of the legal aid community, continues to serve as an important resource to advocates across the country. Covering all stages of federal litigation, the popular manual is available free on our website. This manual is the only such publication that offers guidance on federal litigation problems that are unique to the lawyer practicing poverty, public interest or pro bono law. In 2011, 28,449 people visited the manual online, and the number of “unique” or different visitors increased by 194% from 2010.

COMMUNICATION

From 2010 to 2011, the Communication Programs, headed by Vice President Ilze Hirsh, measured an increase of 111% in traffic to special online-only content such as podcasts, online video, previews of articles and webinar archives. And, the number of individuals who subscribed to its monthly newsletter climbed to a record 7,731 by the end of 2011.

Training Programs

We believe legal services attorneys and equal justice advocates must be armed with the skills and tools needed to represent their clients, including a choice of comprehensive and intensive training programs that build capacity.

The Shriver Center Training Program strives to create a more just and equitable society by providing advocates with the full range of education, training, and leadership development resources they need to obtain justice for their clients. We believe that continued professional development, leadership cultivation, and reflection are essential to maintain the vibrancy of the equal justice community, and we provide trainings that mirror that belief; offering a dual approach that combines essential advocacy skills with reinforcement of the legal aid community’s core values and mission.

All of our training programs are grounded in the core values of justice, fairness and opportunity for individuals and communities of low income. We inculcate high standards of practice and equal justice values in a diverse, vital and visionary social justice movement. Our extensive catalog of courses addresses the full range of litigation, advocacy, management and leadership skills that legal aid lawyers and staff need to successfully represent their clients. Working closely with dedicated faculty volunteers—experienced legal aid attorneys and other national experts in their fields—we design and deliver high-quality, practical training programs that reflect standards of practice put forth by the American Bar

Association Standards for the Provision of Civil Legal Aid. Going a step further, we offer our Leadership Institute, a transformative, year-long training program for both experienced and emerging equal justice leaders.

Through innovative use of web-based technologies and on-site sessions, the Shriver Center convenes advocates nationally to build skills and professional networks. Between July 2011 and October 2012, 108 attorneys from 59 programs in 24 states participated as faculty and students in Affirmative Litigation Training: three weeks of web-based and three days of on-site learning activities. Another 25 attorneys from 22 programs in 13 states participated in a three-week online training for hotline program supervisors.

We are gearing up for our Racial Justice Training Institute. The Institute will train advocates to recognize the impact of structural racism and to develop the skills necessary to engage in strategic analysis and creative race-based advocacy to better serve the interests and legal needs of people of color who live in poverty.

TRAINING

Our training program, led by Vice President Ellen Hemley, attracted attorneys from 28 legal aid programs in 18 states who participated in Affirmative Litigation Training, a four-week web-based and on-site introduction to prosecuting in federal and state courts.



Mitzi

Making Differences

Mitzi Wilson works at Indianapolis' Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic, which offers legal services to people of low income. She leads Project Grace, providing legal counseling and representation to people with criminal records on a range of issues that confront them when they are released from prison.

In addition to the provision of direct services, Mitzi conducts training, specifically targeting people who are 1) 18 years or older, 2) at or below 125% of the poverty level (defined as \$23,050 for a family of four) and 3) recently have been or are about to be released from prison. She also trains people whose affiliations intersect with individuals who have criminal records, for example, human resources professionals, and trains the agency's volunteers.

In 2011, Mitzi participated in the Shriver Center's Train the Trainer program, learning and practicing how to effectively relay information to people. With this knowledge and inspiration, she crafted a new training curriculum and materials.

"You can always go back and read the book or find the substantive material. Training should give participants the nuts and bolts." Train the Trainer did. Now, instead of talking about a task, she "walks" people through it. She shares practical skills instead of overloading participants with information.

In recent months, Mitzi and Project Grace reached over 300 people in Indianapolis, empowering them to take charge of their lives. Mitzi also has led two workshops each month for those seeking legal services and held three training sessions for social service providers and vendors.

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Financial Information

Statements of Financial Position December 31, 2010

ASSETS	
Cash	\$539,469
Funds held on behalf of others	974
Contributions, grants and pledges receivable	1,561,994
Other receivables	17,938
Prepaid expenses and other assets	19,032
	<u>2,139,407</u>
Property and equipment, net	42,645
Lease deposit	18,792
	<u>\$2,200,844</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$40,845
Funds held on behalf of others	974
Accrued vacation expense	104,444
Unearned revenue	82,127
	<u>228,390</u>
Deferred rent liability	175,578
	<u>403,968</u>
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted	234,882
Temporarily restricted	1,561,994
	<u>1,796,876</u>
	<u>\$2,200,844</u>

Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2010

	UNRESTRICTED	TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED	TOTAL
SUPPORT AND REVENUE			
Grants	\$1,165,250	\$1,561,994	\$2,727,244
Individual donors	226,818	—	226,818
Donated goods and services	111,096	—	111,096
Subscription revenue	201,780	—	201,780
cy pres awards	77,590	—	77,590
Special events	304,601	—	304,601
Fellowship grant	52,274	—	52,274
Service contracts	68,410	—	68,410
Attorney fees	8,005	—	8,005
Net assets released from restrictions	692,500	(692,500)	—
	<u>2,908,324</u>	<u>869,494</u>	<u>3,777,818</u>
EXPENSES			
Operating expenses:			
Program Services			
Advocacy	1,516,281	—	1,516,281
Communications	706,840	—	706,840
	<u>2,223,121</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>2,223,121</u>
Costs of direct benefits to donors	72,361	—	72,361
Supporting services			
Management and general	332,133	—	332,133
Fundraising	284,057	—	284,057
	<u>616,190</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>616,190</u>
Total operating expenses	2,911,672	—	2,911,672
Operating income (loss)	(3,348)	869,494	866,146
Change in net assets	(3,348)	869,494	866,146
NET ASSETS			
Beginning of year	238,230	692,500	930,730
End of year	<u>234,882</u>	<u>1,561,994</u>	<u>1,796,876</u>

Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2011

ASSETS	
Cash	\$552,076
Investments	481,619
Funds held on behalf of others	926
Contributions, grants and pledges receivable	943,000
Other receivables	15,953
Prepaid expenses and other assets	21,812
	<u>2,015,386</u>
Property and equipment, net	45,285
Intangible assets, net	87,887
Lease deposit	21,242
	<u>\$2,169,800</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$71,952
Funds held on behalf of others	926
Accrued vacation expense	123,408
Unearned revenue	87,437
	<u>283,723</u>
Deferred rent liability	163,855
	<u>447,578</u>
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted	779,222
Temporarily restricted	943,000
	<u>1,722,222</u>
	<u>\$2,169,800</u>

Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2011

	UNRESTRICTED	TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED	TOTAL
SUPPORT AND REVENUE			
Grants	\$1,419,819	\$717,006	\$2,136,825
Individual donors	173,243	—	173,243
Donated goods and services	127,840	—	127,840
Subscription revenue	220,846	—	220,846
cy pres awards	93,424	—	93,424
Special events	273,424	—	273,424
Training events	13,750	—	13,750
Fellowship grant	150,397	—	150,397
Service contracts	33,153	—	33,153
Attorney fees	2,824	—	2,824
Net investment loss	(17,539)	—	(17,539)
Net assets released from restrictions	1,336,000	(1,336,000)	—
	<u>3,827,181</u>	<u>(618,994)</u>	<u>3,208,187</u>
EXPENSES			
Operating expenses:			
Program Services			
Advocacy	1,749,358	—	1,749,358
Communications	690,892	—	690,892
Training	95,501	—	95,501
	<u>2,535,751</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>2,535,751</u>
Costs of direct benefits to donors	38,110	—	38,110
Supporting services			
Management and general	430,293	—	430,293
Fundraising	351,461	—	351,461
	<u>781,754</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>781,754</u>
Total operating expenses	3,355,615	—	3,355,615
Operating income (loss)	471,566	(618,994)	(147,428)
Contribution of assets, net from the Center for Legal Aid Education	72,774	—	72,774
Change in net assets	544,340	(618,994)	(74,654)
NET ASSETS			
Beginning of year	234,882	1,561,994	1,796,876
End of year	<u>779,222</u>	<u>943,000</u>	<u>1,722,222</u>

Honor Roll 2010

100,000+

The Chicago Community Trust
Grand Victoria Foundation
The Joyce Foundation
The John D. and Catherine
T. MacArthur Foundation
Michael Reese Health Trust
Polk Bros. Foundation

\$50,000-\$99,999

Anonymous
Nathan Cummings Foundation
The Richard H. Driehaus
Foundation
Lloyd A. Fry Foundation
McCormick Foundation
Woods Fund of Chicago

\$20,000-\$49,999

Alphawood Foundation
America's Promise Alliance
CFED
Chicago Bar Foundation
The Sophia Fund for
Advocacy of the Chicago
Foundation for Women
Federation for Community
Schools
Frances P. Kao
Goldberg Kohn
Heartland Alliance for Human
Needs and Human Rights
The William and Flora
Hewlett Foundation
Landau Family Foundation
Lawyers Trust Fund of Illinois
The Libra Foundation
Open Society Institute
Janice E. Rodgers

\$10,000-\$19,999

AARP Foundation
Bank of America Foundation
Sheldon Baskin and Judy Wise
William J. and Irene Beck
The Boeing Company
The Comer Foundation
Georgetown University
Law Center
Jewish Federation of
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