

Home is where we start from.

— T.S. Elliot



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SAVE



INC.

*Housing Options for Living with HIV/AIDS*

# History and Mission

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**S**AVE Inc. is dedicated to providing housing and housing related services to HIV/AIDS challenged individuals and families so that they can live with personal dignity. Since 1986, SAVE Inc. has opened many doors in the Kansas City metropolitan area for those diagnosed with HIV/AIDS.

In the mid-80s the founders of SAVE Inc. and several community volunteers realized that many people dying from AIDS had little support to see them through the end stages of this horrific disease due to the stigma surrounding AIDS. SAVE Home was opened in 1986 serving as the first 24-hour hospice care facility in Missouri for individuals dying from AIDS.

From this original six-bed hospice facility SAVE Inc. has expanded its services to owning and operating 10 buildings, which include 75 units of housing for transitional and permanent purposes. SAVE Inc. also provides rental/utility assistance to individuals and families that choose to live offsite in one of the 15 area metropolitan counties as well as referral services and furniture. Participants can make choices that are the best for them as well as for their family. Our role is to help people take all of their needs into consideration when they are trying to obtain and, more importantly, maintain housing for the long run.

SAVE Inc. was initially created with the vision of providing a hospice facility, a place where people with AIDS could live out their final days with dignity. Today it's about living with HIV/AIDS while maintaining hope and dignity. Having a safe and stable place to call home is vital to our participants' success.

This past year we marked our 20th anniversary of providing high quality housing services that have been recognized for excellence in affordable housing. We launched a comprehensive strategic plan process, which will conclude in the summer of 2007. With this plan we will have a thoughtful roadmap for the future. ■



**Mitchell House,  
administrative office for  
SAVE Inc.**

## Vision

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**W**e remain ever grateful to those who set the cornerstone for SAVE Inc. Over the past 20 years, with the help of our clients, donors, volunteers and funding partners, we've created homes for thousands of men, women and children who have battled the AIDS virus.

Standing firm on this foundation, we turn our eyes and hopes to the future. Our mission has yet to be fulfilled. Over the past 12 months we have strategically gathered input from our community — our clients; social, health and housing providers; and other key stakeholders, including our donors. This information guided us this past January as the Board of Directors and the management staff met to set out a course of action for the future. We recommitted to our passion for housing in the AIDS community and set lofty goals to meet the unmet needs in the greater Kansas City community.

In the coming year, as these goals are solidified and action steps are put in place we enthusiastically look forward to engaging you in our vision. Through all this we will continue to empower and change the lives of those we serve. With great humility, we'll partner with our clients to offer comprehensive housing services so they may live with dignity.

Rest assured that all of us who support SAVE Inc. welcome those who have far too often felt unwanted and alone. Thank you for the doors you open both in our homes and in your hearts.

Sincerely,



Kami Thomas  
President



Mark D. Anderson  
Executive Director



**SAVE Inc. Board of Directors and management staff at January 2007 retreat.**



## The Fighter

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Seven months after finding a new home at SAVE Inc., Nick looks back on a life of activity, a life in which he never backed away from a fight. He boxed in Golden Gloves tournaments, traveled the world in the Army, criss-crossed the continent in an eighteen-wheel over-the-road rig, had three failed marriages, made good money, had plenty of freedom.

Then there was the wrong turn into the kind of fight you can't train for: The frustration and disorientation of losing his memory, losing the ability to write even enough to fill out his road logs, losing his job, going on disability. He thought it was all the years of fighting catching up with him. Finally, there was the frightening discovery of the reason for his failing health — the diagnosis of HIV/AIDS and the realization that a girlfriend had unknowingly given him this disease.

He can write his name, now, though he says he can't write much of anything else. He hopes to be able to find his own place, something he can afford on disability, though the chances of finding what he'd really like — a new wife — seem impossibly remote. He fills most of his time watching movies that he has either bought or collected over the years — and regaining his strength. Like any good fighter, he may be down, but the will to get back up, get back in the ring, never really fades.

"I feel like I'm 30," he says, though he's decades past it. "SAVE has helped me get back on my feet, helped me qualify for enough money to live. After I came here, my life did a one-sixty — not quite a one-eighty, but close." ■

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# No Place Like Home

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We invite you to come on a one-hour tour and learn first hand the real difference your support is making in the lives of Kansas Citians living with HIV/AIDS. SAVE Inc. offers regularly scheduled tours of our homes.

*To schedule a time,  
Call 816/531-8340 ext. 23*



## No Place Like Home Giving Society

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The following individuals have pledged to support SAVE Inc. by making a minimum gift of \$1,000 a year for five years.

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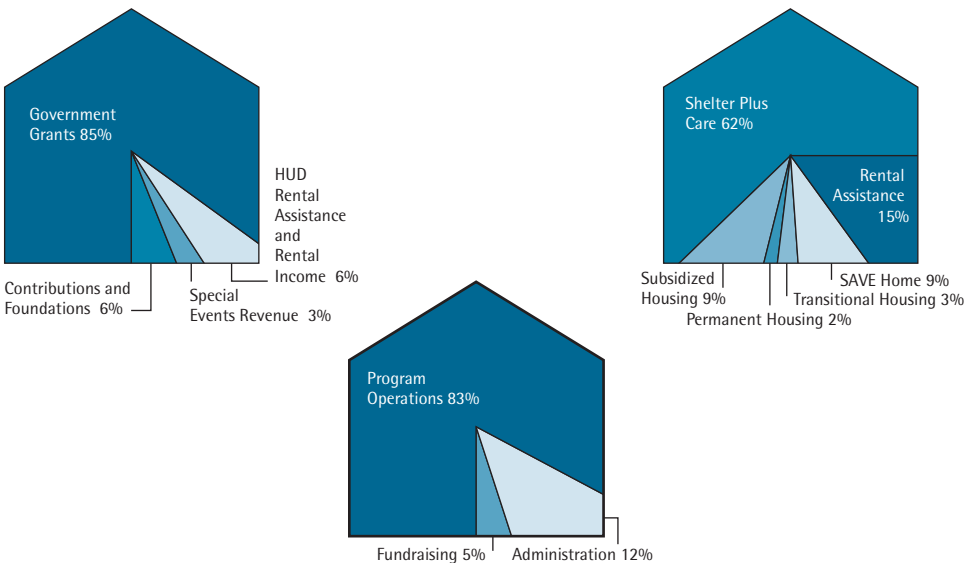
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**Cropsey Place  
has 24 one-  
bedroom  
apartments**

# July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006 Financial Statement

<b>Public Support and Revenues</b>	
Contributions and Foundations Grants	\$218,157
Special Events Revenue	112,724
HUD Rental Assistance and Rental Income	221,370
Government Grants	3,351,523
Other	5,222
<b>Total Public Support and Revenues</b>	<b>3,908,996</b>
<b>Program Operating Expenses</b>	
Shelter Plus Care	2,037,200
Rental Assistance	474,404
SAVE Home	284,812
Transitional Housing (Stepping Stones & McCarty II)	111,124
Permanent Housing (Gilligan and McCarty I)	62,244
Subsidized Housing (Cropsey Place, Cropsey Terrace, Prairie Home and King's Court)	306,870
<b>Total Program Operating Expense</b>	<b>3,276,654</b>
<b>Administrative and Fundraising</b>	<b>672,394</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>3,949,048</b>
<b>Decrease in Net Assets</b>	<b>\$(40,052)</b>





## Survival in her Bones

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Things were tough already for Joann. Raising two teen-aged children and a grandbaby, she became the breadwinner of the family when her husband lost a finger in an accident and was unable to work. Then a month-long stay in the hospital — she suffers from osteoporosis pain in her hips as well as HIV/AIDS — pushed things from bad to much worse. The company she worked for terminated her position.

She was denied disability benefits and yet unable to find another job in her field that would accommodate her health challenges. The osteoporosis makes it painful to either stand or sit for long periods of time — she has to be able to shift from one side to the other to keep the pain at bay.

For many months, the bills went unpaid. She borrowed from friends and family, \$10 here, \$10 there, made arrangements with companies to pay over time, but still was falling behind until a caseworker arranged for SAVE to help cover a portion of her monthly rent

and help her set a budget to make it work. She's been out of work for a year now, but the situation no longer seems hopeless.

“SAVE has made a big difference in my life,” she says. “It’s given me a chance to be less depressed, less stressed; I’m not suicidal anymore. I’ve still got a long way to go, but at least now I know things are taken care of. I’m just living day-by-day. You do what you have to do, and I’m pulling through it.” ■

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# Donors

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We would like to thank the following supporters who made our efforts possible during fiscal year 2006 (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006). SAVE Inc., has made every attempt to make this listing accurate. If you find an error or have been omitted, please accept our apologies and call us at 816/531-8340 ext. 29.

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*“I was employed — got sick,  
lost my job, lost my housing,  
homeless, depression, mental illness  
— psychiatric unit, and then found  
a caseworker and got into housing.  
It has meant my life.”*

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set up with an apartment and the  
ability to become independent.”*

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