

How has SHE Network been empowering women in 2017? Read on...



For almost 15 years, SHE Network has been working hard to empower women in our community who are going through a tough time. The feedback from our clients illustrates the positive impact SHE's emotional support, professional advice, referrals and practical assistance has on the women we assist. Over the years, we've been delighted to see clients become supporters, and vice versa, making SHE a wonderfully supportive organization for women on the North Shore. We remain truly committed to providing confidential, meaningful assistance, and to building community and connections for local women.

SHE Network is able to provide meaningful, emotional support and create unique connections by getting to know every client personally through our initial coffee meeting. Although we don't match the scope of some other organizations, we are very proud of the tremendous, positive impact our work has been making on each, individual woman we have helped since 2003.

Here's the feedback from some of our clients on how SHE Network has empowered them this year:

- **"Thank you for taking the time to come meet me in person and listen to my story. After you left, I felt encouraged to keep brainstorming for a strategy to get back into school... Thank you again."** Emotional support for woman suffering from anxiety after serious illness - Peabody.
- **"I ... wanted to take a moment to say thank you. I have attached a few of the receipts for purchases I have made to secure my house... Thank you again!"** Urgent financial assistance to SHE client in abusive, domestic relationship to install security measures at the family home.
- **"What wonderful news you have! Thank you so much! Your words brought tears to my eyes: I hate the situation I am in, I try to find the positives, thanks to you and the SHE board I do feel like I will be okay, someday and hopefully soon."** Assistance with final car payment for single, full-time working mother of three - Swampscott.
- **"I'm so grateful! I so appreciate this... Thank you, thank you, thank you!!"** Pro bono, professional legal advice for woman dealing with upcoming court hearing.
- **"I truly appreciate all that you have done. It may seem small to you guys but please know that the ripple effect, not just of the help, but also the positivity and good momentum that comes with good news – ripples on far past the point where you guys can see it."** Referral for fuel aid and donation of dryer for SHE supporter forced to find new rental housing at short notice - Beverly.

SHE Board members have also been out-and-about looking for new ways to empower women and build community this year. You may have seen our FaceBook post about the recent, inspiring "Bolder Board" training we attended in Cambridge. We also made some great connections at a wonderful, volunteer fair earlier in the year and watch this space for future SHE Network celebrations ... 2018 is SHE Network's 15th Birthday after all!