



SILENT SAMARITANS

Women helping women

*Silent Samaritans are women helping women find their own voice.
When one finds her own voice, she turns to another and says,
“Now it’s your turn to speak.”*

Founded by the Naperville faith community over 40 years ago, Samaritan Interfaith provides faith-based counseling and an all-encompassing approach to emotional wellness. Research has shown there is a direct connection between faith and the healing of the mind and body. Combining the efforts of Board, Staff, Congregations and Community, Samaritan provides hope and healing to those who need it most.

Our Annual Silent Samaritans Breakfast raises funds for women and their children seeking mental health counseling, but lack resources. The Silent Samaritans Program is based on a simple, yet very powerful idea – women helping other women in need.

The Silent Samaritans Program is dedicated to raising funds to support women in need and to insure that every woman who comes to Samaritan Interfaith seeking counseling receives help, regardless of her ability to pay. They are women in difficult financial circumstances due to divorce, job loss, or abandonment. They are mothers parenting alone, widows isolated in their bereavement, married women in failing relationships, and survivors of domestic violence. They are women who need help from other women.



Silent Samaritans grew out of the realization that:

- Nationally, over 60% of those who seek counseling help are women
- More than 229 individuals who sought services at Samaritan Interfaith last year fell below the federal poverty level
- Women are more likely than men to be victims of physical, sexual, and emotional abuse
- Our clients include women and girls from as young as two to more than 92 years old.
- Last year Samaritan provided more than \$512,000 in subsidized services to those in need.

SAVE THE DATE

February 10, 2016

Annual Silent Samaritans Breakfast