1in6, Inc. Annual Report 2007

This report summarizes the activities and accomplishments of 1in6, Inc. in 2007, its first year as a nonprofit agency. 1in6 incorporated and received its IRS 501(c)3 determination on January 8th 2007. Since that time, the leadership of 1in6 has concentrated on four primary activities: board development, fundraising, program development and raising community awareness. The stated mission of 1in6 is to help men – ages 18 to 30 – who have had unwanted or abusive sexual experiences in childhood live healthy, happy lives.

Board Development

Executive Director Steve LePore began working early in the year to recruit to the board individuals from across the country with academic and practical expertise in issues related to sexual abuse, nonprofit management and corporate marketing. Board member recruitment involved meetings with past nonprofit partners as well as academicians and other experts in the field of sexual abuse. The Executive Director and supporters of 1in6 were encouraged by how quickly the founding board was established, and believe this rapid progress was due to acknowledgment within and beyond the Los Angeles community that 1in6 is an important venture worth supporting. In addition, the Executive Director also recruited to an Advisory Board several professionals in the health and mental health fields – with expertise in sexual abuse, domestic violence and innovative healthcare delivery systems – as well as the legal field. These board members are playing an instrumental role in development of 1in6 programming, fundraising efforts, and raising awareness of 1in6. A list of the 1in6 Board of Directors and Advisory Board is on the following page.

Fundraising

In 2007 1in6 secured grants from the Elizabeth Winters Charitable Trust and the Light Family Foundation, and a business grant from Chapman Insurance. In addition to grant funding, we raised support through individual donations. Late in 2007 we received notification that we will be awarded a grant from the Weingart Foundation2008 and 2009. This grant is an important door opener for pursuing additional grant support from foundations in the Los Angeles area in 2008 and beyond.

Program Development

Early work on the 1in6 business plan identified four program/service verticals needed by men with histories of childhood sexual abuse. 1in6 will offer peer-driven community outreach and education; a web site that is rich in useful information, including for partners, friends, and family members, and offers cutting-edge interactive tools that enhance self-understanding and motivation to seek help; and reduced-fee therapy sessions, recovery workshops and retreats. As half of our target population in Los Angeles County is Latino, all information and services will be available in Spanish as well as English. Though designed for 18 to 30 year olds, no one seeking assistance will be turned away. Community outreach and education and therapeutic support groups will commence in Spring 2008 and therapeutic workshops and retreats will begin in late 2008 or early 2009. A team of experts are already working hard to develop the content and technological infrastructure necessary to operate the 1in6.org website and the first phase will launch by Summer 2008, and phase two (with interactive therapeutic tools) will launch before the end of 2008. Early and ongoing expert meetings have identified the most promising methodologies to help men deal with the consequences of their abusive childhood experiences.

Community Awareness

Efforts to raise awareness of 1in6 began even before incorporation as a nonprofit as the Executive Director had spent considerable time discussing the idea with trusted contacts in the philanthropic field to get a sense of the need for and feasibility of 1in6. In the past year, the Executive Director consulted with clinicians and social service providers in Los Angeles to survey currently available resources and identify potential service collaborations; met with top academic researchers to identify promising service models and methodologies; outreached to community-based organizations in the Los Angeles area that serve Spanish-speaking constituents to ensure 1in6 programs are linguistically and culturally appropriate; and met with representatives of existing organizations that support our target population (such as MaleSurvivor.org on the East Coast) as well as leading agencies in the Los Angeles area that serve female survivors of childhood and adult sexual abuse (such as Peace Over Violence). Other strategies to raise community awareness of 1in6 which commenced in 2007 included implementation of a monthly electronic newsletter and several radio interviews on LA area radio stations.

1in6 Board of Directors

Rick Beckett is the President and CEO of Global Partnerships, a non-profit organization committed to combining strategic philanthropy with private sector discipline to help poor people improve their lives. He will be involved in strategic planning for 1in6 as the organization moves from the launch phase in to program delivery and expansion in to other geographic areas.

Patti Giggans has been Executive Director for 22 years of Peace Over Violence, one of the oldest sexual, domestic and interpersonal violence prevention centers in the country. She will serve as liaison between 1in6 and other agencies, facilitating an understanding of the needs of our target population in relation to those of others impacted by violence and abuse.

Greg LeMond became the first American to win the most difficult and prestigious bicycle race in the world, the Tour de France, in 1986. He will contribute his celebrity to the efforts of 1in6 to educate the community and raise societal awareness the issue by appearing in promotional materials and public service announcements.

David Lisak, PhD is an Associate Professor of Psychology at the University of Massachusetts, Boston. He will be involved in program development, including oversight of the community education and outreach campaign, support groups, and quarterly and bi-annual retreats.

Cam Tredennick, Board Chairperson is a lawyer and a conservationist. He will chair the board of directors, as well as coordinate all communication between staff and board, and facilitation of board and committee meetings.

Sherry Villanueva is a Partner with Twist Worldwide LLC and has more than 20 years experience in consumer product and retail sales and marketing. She will be involved in the marketing of 1in6, including oversight of "branding" the logo and mission, publicity and press relations, and acquisition of corporate sponsors.

1in6 Advisory Board

Richard Gartner, PhD is a psychologist and psychoanalyst specializing in male sexual abuse. Dr. Gartner is the author and editor of several books and articles about sexual abuse, is on the teaching faculty at the William Alanson White Psychoanalytic Institute in New York City, and is the Founding Director of the White Institute's Sexual Abuse Program.

Jim Hopper, PhD is an Instructor in Psychology at Harvard Medical School and McLean Hospital in Belmont, Massachusetts and conducts research on the long-term psychological and biological effects of child abuse and other traumatic experiences, including posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and substance abuse. Jim will be involved in program development, including overseeing website development and ensuring a seamless delivery of therapeutic support to 1in6 clients.

Neal Kaufman, MD, MPH is Co-Director of the UCLA Center for Healthier Children, Families and Communities and a Professor of Pediatrics and Public Health at the UCLA Schools of Medicine and Public Health. He founded the Diabetes Prevention Source which created a technology platform for implementing web-based assessment and intervention tools.

Judith Lewis Herman, MD is Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School and Director of Training at Cambridge Hospital's Victims of Violence Program. She authored two award-winning books and lectures widely on the subject of sexual and domestic violence. In 2007 she was named a Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association.

Jane Song is an attorney with the global law firm of Paul Hastings, LLP, in San Diego. She specializes in counseling technology companies on intellectual property and transactional matters and is a patent attorney registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. She is a member of both the American and California Bar Associations.

Steve LePore, Founder and Executive Director

Steve brings over 20 years experience in nonprofit consulting and management to 1in6, which he founded in January 2007. *He will be responsible for the overall operation of 1in6.*