



# HOSPITALITY HOUSE

*Serving Homeless Women in South King County Since 2000*

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**HOMELESS SHELTER NAMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,  
CELEBRATES EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY**

**Burien, WA – November 2008** “It has been a monumental year for Hospitality House,” explained Joan Brown, President of the Board of Directors. “Not only did we provide 2,710 bed nights for 84 homeless women of South King County, but we also celebrated our eighth anniversary, revamped our strategic goals for 2009 – and named a full time Executive Director.”

The House’s new Executive Director, **Natalie Reber**, has extensive experience working with non-profit and political organizations such as Washington CeaseFire and the League of Education Voters. Among her passions: a deep commitment to social justice. She envisions a world where economic and social justice will lead the way to a more fair and humane society.

“We are pleased to welcome Natalie to our organization as we prepare for uncertain economic times ahead,” said Joan. “Nonprofits will be especially challenged in 2009 as families, churches and governments face unprecedented budget cuts. Natalie offers the fundraising, management and communications skills necessary to reset strategies and discover new ways to solve old fundraising problems.”

On the job for just two weeks, Natalie has already made great inroads to new funding, garnering \$15K from King County and enlisting the support of yet another sponsoring church, Grace Lutheran in Des Moines.

When asked to describe herself in five adjectives, Natalie replied, “Tenacious, passionate, focused, fun, and on occasion goofy. (She likes to play practical jokes, so look out!).”

Hospitality House was founded in September 2000 by twelve sponsoring churches as an ecumenical outreach to the community. Our mission: To help homeless women find home, health and hope.