



# GRAND OPENING!

An upscale resale store with a mission!

"We are excited to announce our new store opening November 16th in Waxhaw! The past two years, we've met so many caring and giving people at our Monroe boutique. We've had the pleasure of serving the clients of Turning Point, while also bringing awareness of domestic abuse to the community. Now we are looking forward to making a difference in Waxhaw. Please stop in and say hello. We pride ourselves on friendly and comfortable shopping."

Judi Abbott

Director of Store Operations & Human Resources



Second Chance Boutique - Waxhaw will open in this space on Nov. 16, located across from the post office and just behind the CVS Store.

### Now 2 great locations to serve you!

WAXHAW 27292-A Waxhaw Parkway, Phone 704-288-1898  
MONROE 2447 Old Charlotte Hwy., Monroe 704-283-3033



### Turning Point of Union County

PO Box 952  
Monroe, NC 28111  
704-283-9150 (Office)  
704-283-7233 (Crisis Hotline)

You can give by check or online!  
[www.turntoday.net](http://www.turntoday.net)

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



**DID YOU KNOW** that 74 persons in North Carolina lost their lives to domestic violence last year? Some were children. Every year, Turning Point actually provides a place of safety to more children than we do women.

PRE SORT STANDARD  
NON-PROFIT  
PERMIT # 122  
MONROE, NC 28110

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Turning Point -  
Where your gift  
can save a  
Life.



TURNING OUR  
COMMUNITY AWAY FROM  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

## IN NEED OF A SILENT NIGHT

Ah, it's that time of year again. Stores, homes, even cities are already sparkling with colorful decorations and holiday lights. It's fun, isn't it, this season that so easily brings out the child in all of us!

So just imagine for a moment that you're a child again. You'd likely enjoy the music and the colorful images rising up in all directions. You're filled with excitement and the anticipation of joyful get-togethers with loved ones!

Unless you're a child who lives in a violent home. For the sweet melodies of the season just won't drown out the screams and curses. The colorful lights won't be as vivid as the bruises on your mother's face. And you'd gladly offer up your favorite toys if you could buy for yourself just a few hours of peaceful sleep.

If you could have just one silent night.

Natalie came to us late one evening. She had nowhere else to go. She'd already lived through years of cruel emotional abuse by her husband, JJ. Continued insults of "You're lazy!" "Lose some weight!" "Shut up, stupid!" But that night, JJ had stepped over the line into physical violence. He had punched her and thrown her to the floor. Then, Natalie turned to see her small son, James, watching it all.

When JJ went out later, Natalie grabbed up little James and ran to her car. She left everything else - clothing, food, money, her purse. She drove until she saw a police officer. Hearing the sad details of her life, the officer directed her to Turning Point.

In the months since she came to us, Natalie's self-respect has been returning. She has a lovely smile and we're starting to see it more and more. Her husband left the state and Natalie is now setting up a place just for James and herself. Her last day with us, here is what she wrote: "The staff at Turning Point has been kinder to me than anyone has ever been. Thank you for saving my life. And my son's life, too."

A silent night. A life of peace. That's what we all want. And thanks to your kind donations, many hurting women and children will, this season, find one as well.

Thank you. Thank you very, very much.

*Naomi*

Naomi Herndon  
Executive Director

If you'd like to learn more about our wonderful "Holiday Wish Breakfast," or want to attend, please call Becky Tracy at 704-288-1811. We also need table captains who will invite their friends to come. Tables are filling up fast, so please call and reserve your place today!

Thursday, Dec. 1  
8 am OR 10 am

The Club at  
Longview

Waxhaw, NC

Holiday  
Wish  
Breakfast



FALL-WINTER 2011



### ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT RAISES \$39,390!

Twenty-five teams of golfers played the frosted greens at Rolling Hills Country Club on Oct. 31 to take a stand against domestic violence. American Community Bank took top honors. (Randy Adcock, Toby Tomberlin, Mike Cochrane, Ken Jamison)



First Citizens Bank was our corporate event sponsor.



Ken Holbrooks chips onto #8.



Jim Plyler was honored for many years of service to Turning Point. Shown with Ray Breazeale of Victory Bolt, the tournament chair, and Naomi Herndon, executive director of Turning Point.



2011 CHAMPIONS  
American Community Bank  
Turning Point Annual Golf Tournament



Turning Point is deeply grateful for the excellent protection our staff and clients receive from CPI Security.



### 5 STONES CHURCH TAKES ON TURNING POINT AS A MISSION!

The congregation of 5 Stones Church in Waxhaw has made serving Turning Point an ongoing mission project. On a weekly basis, members of their church come to the shelter to do crafts and play with the children here. They also provide childcare for the mothers we serve during their parenting classes. The children living here especially enjoyed the great cookies the church members helped them bake. Everyone at Turning Point is excited when they know the "5 Stones friends" are on their way each week!



### Adding ACTION to your FAITH!

We would love to speak to your minister or faith organization about Turning Point. To arrange a visit, contact our Development Director, Terry Prince, 704-288-1901 or write to: [terry@turntoday.net](mailto:terry@turntoday.net)



### SPCC NURSING STUDENTS HELPING ABUSE VICTIMS

South Piedmont Community College's Associate Degree Nursing Club recently presented a \$400 check to Turning Point as a class gift from its 2011 graduates. Nursing Department Chair Joyce Long presented the check to Naomi Herndon, Turning Point's executive director, during the agency's staff meeting. "We encourage community involvement," Long said, adding "Some of our students' clinical training is done at Turning Point as well as other community sites. The experience they gain working with domestic violence victims at the shelter helps prepare them for crisis situations they may face in the future." The ADN Club held various fundraisers, including a doughnut sale, bake sale and T-shirt sale, to raise money for their class gift. (Pictured left are instructor Renee Faulcon, Long and Herndon.)

### ★ THAT FRIENDLY VOICE ON THE PHONE!

Since January of this year, we have felt fortunate to have at our reception desk a wonderful woman named Joan Kalinowski. Joan is a retired legal secretary who has graciously given of her considerable skills to serve as a volunteer at Turning Point. She has 3 daughters and 6 grandchildren. In addition to her work with our shelter, Joan also teaches religion at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. Joan is a breast cancer survivor who also volunteers at the Ellen Fitzgerald Senior Center in Monroe. We are so happy to have her with us!



### ★ LIB NASON - SHE PUTS THE "SPECIAL" IN SPECIAL EVENTS!

Beginning with our August 2010 golf tournament, Lib Nason became an active volunteer with Turning Point. Since then, we've discovered that she is a bright, personable woman of many talents. Lib was one of our lead committee members for last year's "Holiday Wish Breakfast" and served on the planning committee for this year's very successful golf tournament as well. In addition, Lib was active in planning and decorating Rolling Hills Country Club for our 2011 Roast as well. She works hard for the causes she believes in and is both creative and artistic in what she does. Turning Point is very grateful to Lib for her faithful efforts for our clients and recently welcomed her to our Board of Directors.



### YOUR DONATIONS ARE SAVING WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

In the Annual Report Letter which you received in October, we identified donors who had given our shelter gifts of \$100 - 45,000 since March. We also wish to express our deepest gratitude to the persons, businesses, churches, municipalities, clubs and other organizations that have given financially up to the \$100 level Every donation you send is healing the pain of abuse...

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Turning Point also wishes to gratefully recognize our many friends who have donated "in kind" items such as food, paper goods, hygiene products, toys, clothing, and many other things that make life better for our clients and their children.

We know that you give because you care.