

Shadow Day 2018 Nonprofit Host Profile

Name: Kimberly Paul

Title: Vice President of Shelter Operations

Organization: SAFEHOME

Career Bio: I graduated from Washburn University in 2003 with a bachelor's degree in Human Services with an emphasis in Victim Survivor Services. I joined SAFEHOME in 2002 as a hotline advocate. I then spent 9 years working in the Bridge SPAN (Safe Patient Advocacy Network) program. I was the coordinator of the Bridge SPAN program for 8 years; working with hospitals on developing policies around screening for DV. I also provided training to healthcare workers and saw patients in the hospital. The Bridge SPAN program was 24/7 program.

In 2013 I took a position with the Johnson County District Attorney's Office as a Victim's Advocate. I provided assistance to victims in the criminal justice system by attending court hearings, assist the assigned attorney on the case and provided resources and referrals. I was also the facilitator for the Johnson County SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) and provided training to SANE nurses and law enforcement.

I came back to SAFEHOME in August 2018 as the Vice President of Shelter Operations. I oversee all the shelter and hotline operations for the organization. The hotline is run 24 hours a day with residents living in the shelter. We house both men, women and their children. As VP of Shelter Operations I work on creating a place for survivors to heal from abuse. I am also a member of COMVAC (Community Action Violence Council) and TIC (Trauma Informed Care).

