

Why I Support Shalem



KEITH KNIGHT
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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One of the most profound gifts that the Christian community has received over the past generation is that of Shalem Mental Health Network. Initially known as Salem, the organization's professional staff has provided consistent, compassionate, pastoral care to men, women and children in need of emotional and spiritual healing.

Shalem has been doing incredible work within church and school communities, dealing with the emotional scars of conflict and brokenness.

The Christian business community is not immune to conflict and brokenness, often within companies and organizations. Wherever there is conflict, wherever there is a need to deal with broken relationships or the pain caused by a death in the family, Shalem Mental Health Network has qualified professional staff and appropriate programs to bring about that much-needed restoration.

I have seen Shalem at work. I know of its national and international reputation for excellence and credibility. I have seen God bring healing through Shalem's programs.



MARDI TINDAL
CONSULTANT AND
FACILITATOR

I'm impressed by Shalem's practical approach to loving one's neighbour.

Shalem helps to build restorative, resilient relationships among all kinds of faith communities and workplaces. I am delighted to support the work of Shalem.



DIANE STRONKS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
EDIFIDE

Mental health is just as integral to a person as physical or spiritual health. Shalem has worked hard to be on the leading edge of opportunities to bring openness and acceptance of this issue. Its programs for churches, and schools and now workplaces build healthier communities. Furthermore, one of the most difficult areas of human relationships continues to be crucial confrontations and critical

conversations. I commend and support Shalem for its excellent work in the area of training people in restorative practice. To have honest, respectful and yet difficult conversations and confrontations that hold both people accountable and honour them as people is a gift to our communities. I celebrate this milestone in Shalem's history!



KATIE KARSTEN
BOARD MEMBER
SHALEM

It is a privilege as Board Member to support and serve an organization which seeks to journey alongside those who struggle with brokenness and pain in their lives. The breadth and depth of Shalem's varied services is outstanding as they support and equip vulnerable people with a voice, choice and art opportunities; address relational difficulties in school communities and workplaces and is unprecedented in bringing mental health support to congregations.

It is also my joy to see Shalem's exemplary efforts in being an advocate for those with mental illness as it seeks to heighten awareness about it and offer tools to cope with these difficult circumstances. Through well-trained and grace-filled staff, God has extended healing and hope to so many! It is an amazing community effort in His name!



PETER O'DONNELL
PRESIDENT
HEALTHY FUTURES
GROUP

In my 25 years as a consultant to almost 500 nonprofit organizations, Shalem stands out as unique in many ways. Being Christ-centred, values-driven, and highly-innovative is an extraordinary accomplishment for a faith-based organization. I'm especially impressed with Shalem's commitment to excellence in every aspect of its work, but also for the respect it has earned as a trusted source of both the best practices in compassionate caring

and the highest standards of service performance. It's been a privilege to support Shalem, both professionally and personally, in fulfilling its mission of restoring hope to individuals, families and communities.