

ROBBIE'S ROOM

Alternatives Incorporated's on-site preschool center is named in memory of Robbie, a two-year old child who spent a portion of his short life calling Alternatives Inc.'s shelter his home.

Robbie's mother came to Alternatives Inc. several times in 1990 and 1991 to escape her abusive husband. She planned to leave him permanently; unfortunately, she was not able to escape before Robbie and his sister died at the hands of their drunken father in 1991.



In class during Robbie's last stay at the shelter, he created a painting the teacher helped him sign. A few months later Robbie was dead. We believe Robbie's painting was left to remind us, not only of his suffering, but the suffering of all the children living in homes shattered by domestic violence.

Robbie's life was short in years, but long in purpose.