

WOMEN DISTRESS

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In the vast sky of challenges and adversities, every child holds the potential to be a rising star.

With the right environment and support these young souls, despite the obstacle of domestic violence, can illuminate the darkest of nights with their resilience and hope. This year, at our 17th Annual Starfish Luncheon, we celebrate the journey of turning violence into success.

Our theme, 'Rising Stars' is a tribute to the incredible transformation we witness every day in the children we serve.

It's a celebration of how, with nurturing and care, these children can rise above their circumstances, shining bright and strong. Children who have witnessed or been victims of domestic violence face many challenges that can follow them through adulthood, and Women In Distress makes every effort to help these children get on the right path.

We are thrilled to honor three stellar donors whose generous support has been pivotal in creating an environment where our little stars can thrive.

They are our Rising Stars - not just for their financial contributions but for their unwavering belief in our mission. Their support has enabled us to rise to the occasion, time and again, to meet the needs of our community's most vulnerable citizens. Because of them, we can provide the care, education, and empowerment these young stars need to shine.

Join us as we honor our Rising Stars - our children and our donors - and reaffirm our commitment to nurturing a brighter future for every child survivor in our community.

There will be a silent auction, a raffle, and a tasty lunch served with an impactful program. We look forward to seeing you there!



We're on a mission to stop domestic violence abuse for everyone through intervention, education and advocacy.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.

— Margaret Mead

It was a small group of concerned citizens who took action in 1974 that led to the birth of Women In Distress (WID). With the support of sponsors and donors like you, we have grown into the largest domestic violence shelter in the state of Florida.

In addition to being an emergency shelter, WID's wrap-around services include a 24-Hour Crisis Hotline, counseling therapy for adults and children, economic empowerment services, a pet shelter community and youth educational programming, professional trainings on domestic violence, and other critical, life-saving services.

Last year, Women In Distress provided life-saving services all free and confidential, thanks to generous donors like you.

 $\{2,494\}$ Women, Children and Men Served with Programs and Services

46,865 A record number of bed nights

 $15,\!756$ Advocacy and counseling hours for survivors & their children

 $10,\!315$ Community members received Education & Prevention training

Over~240 children received free & safe childcare in the first 6 months of the Children's Enrichment Center being open

Increase from 30% to 66% Percentage of police reports classified as high lethality

"The Starfish Story"

Adapted from "The Star Thrower" By Loren Eisley

A young girl and her grandmother were walking down the beach. It was a beautiful afternoon and the tide had pulled back leaving hundreds of starfish stranded on the sand.

The girl began picking up starfish and throwing them back into the sea.

Her grandmother said, "Why do you run about? There are hundreds of starfish and you can't possibly save them all."

Her granddaughter stopped, looked carefully at the starfish in her hand and, as she threw it back into the water, said,

"Maybe not, Grandma,

but I can make a difference for this one."

Making a difference.

One starfish at a time. Women In Distress.

Sponsorship Opportunities

17th Annual Women In Distress Starfish Luncheon & Silent Auction

Friday ~ May 17, 2024 • Bahia Mar Fort Lauderdale Beach

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