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To Our Stakeholders:

As we reflect on this past year, we are pleased to share with you the progress and achievements of the Women's Center of Jacksonville.

For more than a quarter of a century, the people we serve have remained at the heart of what we do. Every day, our team of dedicated staff, volunteers and board members, works tirelessly to improve the lives of women through advocacy, support and education.

This past year has brought challenges and achievements, as we have continued to provide crucial resources to our community. A few highlights:

- Summer of 2022 brought a record-breaking amount of support with our annual fundraising breakfast, *THRIVE!*, where we focused on the resilience of the human spirit and we shared how three very brave women have overcome monumental challenges in their lives.
- We were forced to close our Colcord Center for several weeks in order to mitigate mold and replace our 20 year old roof. Fortunately, the proceeds from the breakfast and the generosity of our community helped to cover this unanticipated cost.
- We answered a record-breaking 5211 calls to our 24-hour Rape Crisis Hotline. We are pleased that with your support we were able to be here when people need us the most, but at the same time, it is disappointing that the need is so great.
- Recognizing that education plays a crucial role in combatting sexual assault, our outreach activities reached over 18,000 people last year helping to raise awareness and understanding, while informing our community of the resources available.

We couldn't do any of this without the continued support and involvement of our donors and partners, and we're immensely grateful. The coming year will be just as challenging and together we must keep striving to deliver our invaluable services to women, their families and survivors of sexual assault.

Together we are making a difference.



Laura Van Zee
Board President



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