

HOPE SUPPORT CHOICES

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Niagara Regional Police Services Board c/o Deb Reid 5700 Valley Way Niagara Falls, ON L2E 1X8

Dear Deb,

On behalf of Gillian's Place, I want to personally thank you for being a Table Sponsor at our Breakfast to End Gender-Based Violence. Over 200 compassionate community members came together united by a shared vision of a future where safety is not conditional. A future where every person, regardless of gender, has the right to live free from fear.

Thanks to your generosity, over \$32,000 was raised to support our free and confidential services that change and save lives. Gender-based violence continues to devastate families in our community every day. At Gillian's Place, we are responding not only with core emergency services but by enhancing outreach, aftercare, and prevention programs in an effort to break the cycle of violence and abuse. As one client shared:

"Abusive relationships tear you down, and strip away your self worth. Gillian's Place is such a vital part of our community to help families to escape abuse and violence. You really feel alone when you are living in these controlling, toxic environments. It's not that easy to just leave, like many people think - you really need help and support."

-Kim Gillespie, Breakfast Speaker

Raising awareness about the programs and services at Gillian's Place, and addressing the root causes of violence and abuse, is critical to ensuring that those surviving dangerous and life-threatening situations can find safety and support.

Deb, thank you for believing in our mission to create a socially just and equitable community where all are free from gender-based violence. Your support brings this urgent issue to the forefront of public discourse and helps create real and lasting change.

Thank you. Together, we are working to end gender-based violence in Niagara.

Gratefully,

Graeme Dargavel Director of Development & Communications

PS: Did You Know? Gillian's Place is expanding to better serve our community. We invite you to learn more about our \$10 million Build a Safer Future Capital Campaign at gilliansplace.com/safer-futures

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