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Survivors of domestic violence find hope, healing, and support through the 28th annual Barbara Ann Campbell Memorial Breakfast

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., (October 12, 2022) —

The Northeast Florida community has come together to send a clear message to survivors of domestic violence: We are here for you.

During the 28th annual Barbara Ann Campbell Memorial Breakfast, more than \$155,000 was raised in support of survivors and Hubbard House's life-saving, life-changing services. This is a record amount raised during this event.

This surge in support comes as more survivors of domestic violence are reaching out for help. In Fiscal Year 2021-2022, more than 4,300 survivors and children used Hubbard House services.

"When a survivor makes that strong, courageous step to find safety, it's so important they have support. We are here for survivors," says Hubbard House CEO Dr. Gail A. Patin.

To help connect survivors with support, Hubbard House is encouraging the public to share their Domestic Violence Awareness Month social media campaign posts, using #HereForYou. The campaign demonstrates how Hubbard House is here for survivors and their families through emergency shelter, counseling, children's services, job coaching, housing support, and so much more.

The proof of the effectiveness of Hubbard House services is shown through the survivors of domestic violence who are now living free, safe lives. Two survivors shared their stories during the event.

"I met really good people and other women that were in the same situation as me, so I learned I was not alone. I could open up freely about my situation and share my experience without judgement," says Terri, who stayed in the Hubbard House emergency shelter.

Jennifer, another survivor speaker, shared her experience with Hubbard House's court advocacy program, which supported her in her petition for an injunction for protection against her abuser.

“I was prepared to face my abuser alone [in the courtroom]. I worried what my abuser would say, what he would blame me for, and would the judge believe him over me. So, when the Hubbard House advocate offered to be there, I felt a weight was lifted off my shoulders,” Jennifer says.

While the event celebrates survivors, it also honors and remembers the lives taken by domestic violence.

A memorial table was set for 11 seats. Ten of the seats honored victims of intimate partner violence in Duval County in 2021. At one seat, there was also a pacifier placed, to remember the unborn baby who died when a woman was fatally shot by her boyfriend.

The table also featured a seat for Barbara Ann Campbell, in whose honor the event is held each year. Barbara Ann Campbell was killed by her husband, after leaving him. Her brother-in-law, the late Jacksonville Mayor Jake Godbold, was a passionate advocate for survivors, and Barbara Ann Campbell’s family continues to support Hubbard House’s mission.

The Alan and Pam Green Family Foundation, Niagara Water, and VyStar Credit Union are Presenting Sponsors of the 28th annual Barbara Ann Campbell Memorial Breakfast. The event is further supported by Delores Barr Weaver’s Endowed \$10,000 Event Grant Fund.

Hubbard House’s #HereForYou campaign can be found on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).

For any survivor of domestic violence in Duval and Baker counties, free, confidential support is available. You can reach Hubbard House 24/7 through the Hotline at (904) 354-3114 or Textline at (904) 210-3698.

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About Hubbard House:

Hubbard House is the certified domestic violence center serving Duval and Baker counties in Northeast Florida. Hubbard House offers free, confidential shelter and services, including counseling, employment support, housing help, and related areas for survivors of domestic violence and their children.

Speak with a trained advocate any time through Hubbard House’s 24/7 Hotline at (904) 354-3114 or Textline at (904) 210-3698.