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Hundreds join together in support of local survivors of domestic violence and of Hubbard House

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (Oct. 15, 2025) – In a powerful show of support for survivors of domestic violence, hundreds of civic, business, and community leaders gathered today for Hubbard House's 31st annual Barbara Ann Campbell Memorial Breakfast, presented by VyStar Credit Union.

The event raises awareness of domestic violence and Hubbard House services. It is also a fundraiser to support the life-saving, life-changing work of Hubbard House.

"Hubbard House will continue to serve each and every survivor until we see that future where everyone is safe in their homes and their relationships," says Hubbard House CEO Dr. Gail Patin. "We can do this work- we can be here for survivors- because our community is here for us."

As a clear demonstration of the impact of community donations, the price of a ticket to the Breakfast was set at the cost of a night of safe shelter and services for one person, \$75. That means each person who attended donated a night of shelter. Donations are still welcome on Hubbard House's website.

This is the 31st Breakfast, and the 29th named for Barbara Ann Campbell. Barbara Ann was killed by her abusive husband, as she was leaving him. Her family asked Hubbard House to share her story each year to help raise awareness. Her brother-in-law, late-Jacksonville Mayor Jake Godbold, was a passionate advocate for Hubbard House and this mission. A memorial table was set at the Breakfast to honor those killed by domestic violence in Jacksonville last year. There were seven local victims, alongside Barbara Ann.

Two now-safe survivors of domestic violence also shared their moving stories of overcoming abuse and finding safety, in order to deepen the community's understanding of domestic violence and the impact of their support.

The Breakfast is a signature event during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. You can continue to engage with Hubbard House through October by sharing their social media campaign #BridgeToSafety on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

Hubbard House's Barbara Ann Campbell Memorial Breakfast is supported by a grant from the Delores Barr Weaver Forever Event Fund, est. 2015.

About Hubbard House:

<u>Hubbard House</u> is a full-service certified domestic violence center providing emergency shelter and supportive services to survivors of domestic violence and their families, in Duval and Baker counties in northeast Florida. Free, confidential support is available 24/7 through Hubbard House's Hotline at 904-354-3114 and Textline at 904-210-3698.