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Drive Out Domestic Violence Golf Outing Raised Over \$57,000

LAKE COUNTY, IL – On Monday, June 19, A Safe Place hosted its 15th Annual "Drive Out Domestic Violence" golf outing on the fairways of Ravinia Green Country Club. Despite the rain, 21 foursomes spent a day of golf and good company to help raise over \$57,000 for domestic violence victims and their children.

For 15 years, the Drive Out Domestic Violence Golf Outing has brought together men, women, businesses, and partners to support the mission of A Safe Place. Between sponsorships, registration fees, a live auction, raffle tickets, a 50/50 raffle, mulligan purchases, and donations, this year's golf outing was the organization's most successful in over seven years.

All proceeds that were raised help A Safe Place continue to provide lifesaving programs and services for the men, women, and children suffering from domestic violence, prevent future abuse by addressing its root cause through abuser intervention programs, and educate in the community about ending domestic violence. Last year, A Safe Place served over 13,000 Lake County neighbors.

This year, the Golf Outing comes at a time when domestic violence funding from the State of Illinois has been eliminated, threatening the foundation of all programs and services, from the emergency shelter and court advocacy to counseling and life skills. Last year, over 500 individuals were turned away due to lack of funding.

Generous sponsors of the Golf Outing include Mercedes Benz Autohaus, St. Charles Consulting, Paragon, Robert O. Ackley, The Goldman Family, Northbrook Toyota, It's My Styl, Zurich Insurance, Paul W. Kaiser and Associates, Fidelity National Title, Ingrid Wiemer and Charlie Wilkinson, The Law Offices of Robert O. Ackley, Audi Exchange, Keystone, and Rosenthal Brothers Insurance.

Photo 1: 21 foursomes participated in the A Safe Place "Drive Out Domestic Violence" Golf Outing this year.



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Founded in 1978, A Safe Place is the leading advocate for eliminating domestic violence in northern Illinois, and is Lake County, Illinois' only provider of services exclusively for victims of domestic violence. A Safe Place provides emergency shelter, permanent housing, a 24-hour crisis line (847-249-4450), court and non-legal advocacy, individual, group, and children's counseling, art therapy, family visitation services, batterer intervention services; and community outreach, prevention education, and professional training. Our service area includes Lake, McHenry, and northern Cook counties in Illinois; however, our clients come to us from across the state, region, and country.

For more information about A Safe Place, visit www.asafeplaceforhelp.org, Facebook, and Twitter.