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Wine Women & Shoes National Fundraiser Presents an Evening of Fine Wine and Great Style

Sip, Shop & Support A Safe Place, Helping to Transform Lives After Domestic Violence

LAKE COUNTY, IL – Fashion, wine, and shoes come together for an interactive, fun evening that will tickle your taste buds and satisfy your shopping urges. Join A Safe Place (ASP) for the first annual Wine Women & Shoes event on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 5:30pm at Ravinia Festival in Highland Park. All proceeds raised that evening help A Safe Place continue to provide lifesaving services for survivors and children of domestic violence.

A Safe Place invites 400 wine and shoe enthusiasts to kick up their heels, sip varietals from some of the country's top winemakers, and shop the latest trends in a multi-designer Marketplace.

Wine Women & Shoes is a fundraising organization that creates events centered on luxury fashion, fine wines and charities in need. Over the last 10 years, they helped raise about \$20 million for various women and family-related causes through the execution of over 175 well-attended events across the country.

The evening includes a glamorous fashion show, unlimited wine tastings and wine raffle, a fun, spirited "Key to the Closet" raffle where the winner takes all clothing, accessories, cosmetics and gift certificates, live and silent auctions, a photo shoot area with a complimentary memento, and the charismatic Shoe Guys.

"This will be a special evening with wonderful wine, exceptional fashion, and a spectacular auction," said Pat Davenport, Executive Director of A Safe Place. "By purchasing a ticket, attendees are helping us continue to support the lifesaving efforts of domestic violence survivors and their children as they transform their lives."

A Safe Place is the sole provider of services exclusively focusing on domestic violence victims. Through multi-faceted programs, A Safe Place assists victims and their children in transforming their lives after domestic violence, prevents future abuse by addressing its root cause through abuser intervention programs, and educates the community about domestic violence and how we can all be involved in its end. Last year, A Safe Place served over 13,000 community members.

Tickets are available at <u>http://www.winewomenandshoes.com/event/asafeplace/</u> for \$100, which includes a trendy swag bag filled with a variety of goodies. VIP admission is \$150 and includes express VIP check in, prime seating for the fashion show, a dedicated Shoe Guy at your table, and a VIP Swag Bag filled with exclusive items. The Wine Women & Shoes presenting sponsor is Discover.

For more information on Wine Women & Shoes and sponsorship opportunities, please visit the event's website at <u>www.winewomenandshoes.com/asafeplace</u> or contact Carmen Patlan at (847) 731-7165 ext. 109 or <u>cpatlan@asafeplaceforhelp.org</u>.

Photo 1:

Wine Women & Shoes showcases beautiful fashion and shoes.



Photo 2: The fashion show is a highlight of Wine Women & Shoes.



Photo 2: The wall of wine at Wine Women & Shoes.



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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 <u>www.asafeplaceforhelp.org</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, and <u>Twitter</u>.