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...Helping the Hurting to Heal!

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NLMK Penna
c/o Terry Day
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To All Employees of NLMK Penna who participated in the 50/50 drawing,
On behalf of the AWARE Board, staff and most importantly, the families we serve, thank you very much for your generous financial support. Your generous gift of \$2,500.00 has been used to:

- Repair the roof of the Shirley Bursey House (\$325)
- Purchase a washer & dryer for our victim/residents (\$800)
- Install a security card reader for electronic access keys for residents (\$1375)

Both of the emergency shelters, Shirley Bursey House and the Williams House of AWARE continue to help families escape violence in the home. The PAWS program helps families needing emergency shelter to bring their furry family members with them as well. The Legacy Transitional housing program helps families to build a firm foundation to break the bonds with violence and to embrace economic independence. Many of the graduates from Legacy find obtain jobs paying living wages to support the family. Sometimes, some of our graduates have even gone on to become home owners!

The Legal Advocacy program based in Mercer helps adult and child victims of domestic and sexual violence navigate the court systems for protection and holding the offender accountable. The program has a legal advocate who travels the county visiting the District Judges offices, all police stations, and helps rural victims with transportation challenges secure services at the local level to begin the healing process.

Individual and group services are provided for teens and adults throughout Mercer County. The Youth Services program provides victim support, court accompaniment, as well as education and training sessions to help everyone in Mercer County learn how to protect and help children and teens.

Each and every time a victim courageously picks up the phone to call AWARE for help, because of YOUR thoughtfulness and generosity, the nightmare of violence perpetrated on women, children, and seniors, is ending. Your help changes lives; saves lives.

Sincerely,

Lizette Olsen
Executive Director
MEMBER:

Thank you for helping us improve both shelter sites for victims + children. This time of year, we face critical demand for safe housing + support services.

Pennsylvania Coalition
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Against Domestic Violence

