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**Presents**  
**Home Is Where the Heart Is**  
**Annual Gala to raise funds for abused**  
**women & children**

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For most of us, home is a place of love, warmth, and comfort. It is somewhere that you know you will be surrounded by care and support, and a nice little break from the busyness of the real world. But for millions of others, home is anything but a sanctuary. In fact, 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence in their lifetime and 15.5 million children are living in violent homes.

Thanks to your generous participation as a Chef for our annual fundraiser *Home is Where the Heart Is*, The Haven to provide 135 families with a safe refuge from the daily horror of living in violent homes. In addition, 350 families were provided with crisis intervention, counseling, legal and medical advocacy, and safe transition to violence free-living. On behalf of the staff, Board of Directors, women and children served by The Haven, I want to invite you to join us in our mission to empower survivors of violence to live safe, independent and violence free lives.

Our 2020 event will take place on March 28 and we ask that you help us support victims of violence by participating as a Chef. Money raised at the event is a vital source of funding that ensures a local place of safety for abused women and children. Your generosity ensures that we continue to be at the forefront of providing shelter, safety, resources and most of all, hope for a safe future to those plagued by violence.

On behalf of the staff, Board of Directors, women and children served by The Haven, thank you for considering our request. Please complete and return the attached form with your commitment to participate in the annual event.

If you have any questions or would like to provide your specialty dish to the Spring Gala, please contact Fannie Picou at 985.791.1036 or Mary Miller at 860.4675.

Sincerely,

Julie M. Pellegrin  
Executive Director

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