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BUILDING A STRONGER AND A HEALTHY COMMUNITY

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AWARD & ACHIEVEMENT

We are honored to announce that Mai Family Services has been selected for an Outstanding Service Award by Indian Americans of Michigan. We are grateful to Indian Americans of Michigan for the recognition.

"Indian Americans of Michigan appreciate the service and dedication of the MAI Family Services who provide tireless support for South Asian Michiganders in need. Indian Americans of Michigan was originally founded by Representative Padma Kuppa and supported by various Indian American Organizations such as ILA, AIWA, SAAVI, DIWA, MIINDIA. Indian Americans of Michigan has been organizing Indian American Legislative Day annually at the Michigan State Capital where we recognize outstanding Indian American Individuals and Organizations for their public service to Michigander. This year's focus is healthcare and we would like to recognize MAI Family Services for the work you have done over the decades and across the state to serve the community, especially during the pandemic." - Indian Americans of Michigan.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

MaiFS bids farewell to one of its great employees, Usha Paparaju.

Since Usha joined the organization she has been a valuable and integral part of MaiFS team. The organization is grateful for her valuable work and contribution, including the extended hours of dedication. We will miss her charm, professionalism, empathy and strength. We wish her all the best for her future endeavors and thank her for her commitment to remain engaged with MaiFS as an active volunteer.



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

The Subliminal Rising

#BreakTheBias

The original spirit of International Women's Day is providing a platform, a voice to women who might not otherwise be heard. It was 1908 when a group of women gathered in New York City to demand fair pay, better working conditions, and the right to vote. It's over 100 years, and the struggle continues. Their passion and selfless commitment to equality sparked similar events in other countries.

Miindia.com annually celebrates this voice in collaboration with the most active women's group in Michigan - DIWA (Detroit Indian Women's Association). Women's stories and thought processes are showcased at this event. These women are not household names; however, each made a mark in her way. The theme this year is #BreakTheBias.

Every year, all ticket proceeds go toward the Mai Family Services, which provides intervention and prevention support for individuals in abusive and violent situations.

Mark your calendars and show your support on March 8th (the day in history) to create a diverse, equitable, and inclusive world. A world where difference is valued and celebrated. Enjoy the journey, and let us be a part of it. Join us to network!

Click on <https://maifs.org/womens-day-registration/> to reserve your seats today.

Please spread the word among your contacts. This is also posted on MaiFS Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/MaiFS>. I would request all of you who have FB Account, please share it on your FB wall or any social media you are part of.

All entries, please email us at info@miindia.com.

Miindia.com
in collaboration with DIWA and
Mai Family Services presents...

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In celebration of
International Women's Day

Tuesday
8 MARCH
2022
6:30 - 8:30 PM

IGGF, 44815 Cherry Hill Rd,
Canton, MI 48188

\$20 Entry per person (incl. food)
Limited seats only. No ticket sales at the door.
All health protocols will be followed.

BUY YOUR TICKET HERE †
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Guest of Honor
Rabbi Tamara Kolton Ph.D.
Psychologist. Author. Feminine Mythologist.



All enquiries, please email
info@miindia.com

Exclusive Artist Showcase	Special Dance (DS2dios)	Enriching Music
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Laya Mangipudi



Janany Madhu



Dhanya Menon



Nisha Menon



Vasudha Komaragiri

Special #BreakTheBias exclusive by local elementary school children. Presented by Bala Gokulam.

All ticket sales go to Mai Family Services, a South Asian non-profit organization serving individuals and families in abuse and violence through prevention and intervention. Visit www.MAIFS.org



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OUTREACH & COLLABORATION INITIATIVES

Detroit VA, Detroit Hospital - OUTREACH

Representative - *Nasreen Meah, MaiFS Board of Director*

To continue its mission to advocate for the needs of South Asian communities, MaiFS is currently exploring collaborating in the Intimate Partner Violence Assistance Program (IPVAP) at the VA hospital in Detroit. Our initial meeting took place last week and offered some promising options for collaboration.

Detroit VA is a part of Detroit hospital. They launched its IPVAP initiatives in 2019 in response to a national mandated policy established in 2016. Unfortunately, due to COVID the entire program was on pause up until recently. The coordinator of Intimate Partner Violence Assistance Program (IPVAP-A) reached out to MaiFS to provide culturally sensitive services to its VA population.

The outcome of the meeting highlighted the following two areas of possible collaboration:

1. MaiFS would be a resource for Detroit VA for its South Asian clients and their families. In addition, Detroit VA will distribute our information to their clients whenever they see fit.
2. MaiFS would partner with Det VA for their staff training on cultural sensitivity as part of their continuing education training.

Additionally, MaiFS currently in conversation to extend its collaboration to Ann Arbor VA hospital.

Detroit Friendship House, Detroit - COLLABORATION

Representative - *Farhana Aktar, Detroit Action*

MaiFS received a proposal for a collaborative effort for the Bangladeshi community in Hamtramck, MI. The collaboration is intended to empower the men and women of the community. MaiFS is excited about this partnership and is looking forward to working together and support the community needs.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- International Women's Day - Tuesday, March 8th, 2022
- Townhall Meeting - TBD.
- Annual Fundraiser Event - TBD
- STOP The Violence Walk-a-thon - TBD
- Annual Holiday Banquet Gala - Saturday, Dec.3rd, 2022

Details to be announced soon...

STOP GRANT PROGRAM

MaiFS's Year-6 STOP Grant Empowerment program with an increased focus on counseling and life-skills advocacy sessions was launched in January 2022. The program helps South Asian DV victims and survivors in Metro Detroit area to lead empowered, productive, and fulfilling lives. Program participants benefit through weekly sessions with trained DV Counselors to gain an awareness and understanding of issues surrounding domestic violence and to gain information on available community-wide support services to alleviate their DV situations. In addition, DV Advocates provide participants with life-skills sessions in the areas of English language, basic computer and financial skills, and other necessary soft-skills that can make the participants more independent and empowered.

Additional information on the program is available at maifs.org/stop-grant, or please call Murali Nair @ 248-795-4639.

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DONATE TODAY & TRANSFORM LIVES

Your Generosity Gives Hope and Transform Lives of Survivors in Remarkable Ways!

- Mai Family Services is a non-profit (501)(c)(3) organization
- All donations are 100% tax-deductible
- All donations are proceeded securely

Donation/Gift Options:

- **One-time Gift** - \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1000, \$1000 & others
- **Recurring Gift** - \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1000, \$1000 & others
- **Tribute Gift** - A gift in honor, memory, or support of loved ones (family member/friend/colleague)
- **Matching Gift** - Your donation can be doubled or tripled with a matching donation from your company. For more information on matching gifts, contact your HR department or our Treasurer, Mona Sashital at info@maifamilyservices.com
- **Leave a Legacy Gift** - Leave a lasting legacy by transforming lives of survivors. Donate to MaiFS a specific amount or a percentage in your will or revocable trust. For more information on leave a legacy gift, contact our Treasurer, Mona Sashital at info@maifamilyservices.com
- **Stock or Wire Transfer Gift** - Donation made to Mai Family Services using stocks and mutual funds can be a tax-deductible. For more information on stock or Wire Transfer Gift, contact our Treasurer, Mona Sashital at info@maifamilyservices.com

There are other ways to help and support Mai Family Services.

In-Kind Donations,

- 1) Pro-bono services (such as Free Legal, Medical, Counseling services, Job placement assistance etc. For more information on pro-bono services, contact us at info@maifamilyservices.com
- 2) Sponsors for Event Space/Banquet Halls to host our workshops and fundraisers.

Ways to Donate:

- **Zelle** : admin@maifamilyservices.com
- By **check** to: MAI FAMILY SERVICES, 32401 W. Eight Mile Rd., Livonia, MI 48152
- Please use the **QR code** to scan with your smartphone and donate
- [PayPal](#)



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