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JOIN US FOR A MAGNIFICENT EVENING - EARLY BIRD PRICING ENDS APRIL 9th!

Every year since 1986, Mai Family Services has offered genuine support, accountability, and good governance in offering services to survivors of abuse and violence in the community. MaiFS has stood tall, embracing new issues and problems without compromising confidentiality and offering non-judgmental counseling with expert case workers, trained staff members, and knowledgeable volunteers. Our handshake with several partner organizations and survivor success stories stands as testimony to the work we have been doing.

Today, like every year, we owe you our gratitude. Thank you.

On April 22nd, 2023, MaiFS is returning with its annual Spring Fundraiser - a social evening with its patrons, well-wishers, community members, friends, and more! A magnificent evening Of Payals and Zardozi will be the backdrop of Mai Family Services' 14th Annual Fundraiser. Our narrative will come alive through multiple art forms. The event offers a beautiful blend of music, dance, and fashion from six iconic movies.

Do not miss the grand tapestry of meaningful fun as you enjoy this evening with us. All proceeds go toward our direct services and professional support - counseling, accommodation, legal, medical, and empowerment tools for a better future.

Our early bird pricing of \$35 seating is now \$20 only. This expires on April 9th. A few \$100 and \$60 seats are also available. Buy your tickets now!

Event link: https://maifs.org/event/annual-fundraiser-of-payals-zardozi/



GOLDEN GAME SERIES- A HUGE SUCCESS GOLDEN CLUB, MaiFS



Our first MaiFS's Golden Club event for 2023 was a resounding success. With a perfect venue and engaging games, the atmosphere was lively and cheerful. We hope that all senior attendees had a pleasant time playing the games and socializing with their peers.

The feedback we received from them was overwhelmingly positive - they loved the variety of games, the delicious snacks, and the friendly volunteers who assisted them.

We want to extend a heartfelt thanks to Manoj ji Sachdeva and Anu Gopalakrishnan for the IGGF venue and logistics. Thank you to the Golden Club team and volunteers again for your time, energy, and commitment to making a difference in our community. Stay tuned for more events this year!

HAPPY ATTENDEES & THEIR FEEDBACK GOLDEN GAME SERIES, GOLDEN CLUB, MaiFS

I was happy that I made this splendid and well organised function.Hats off to you all.When are you planning your next one?

My friends and I had a great time playing games.Please let us know when you organise another event.

Thank you for organizing such a great event & also for inviting me to be a part of this event. This event has added on to a great memorable moment for everybody. There is a great takeaway from this event. All the young ladies were very helpful, kind and polite. They were dressed so beautifully. They kept asking me if I needed anything. I left my phone in my car and one of the young men offered to bring my phone from my car, I was so touched and I am grateful for such a gesture. I would like to donate some money to the agency. You all are doing a good job.

SINCERE THANK YOU 2022 DEPARTING BOARD MEMBERS

We are truly grateful to departing Board Members, **Ajeet Kulkarni, Suneeta Prakash** and **Amit Mandhare**, for their dedication, energy, time and selfless service. These board members alongside with other board members dedicated significant time and energy to help and grow MaiFS as a sustainable and community-oriented organization. We thank them for their leadership at the organization. We wish them the best for the future ahead!

WELCOME TO A NEW BOARD MEMBER Imandeep Kaur Grewal



Dr. Imandeep Kaur Grewal is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Teacher Education at Eastern Michigan University. She was born and raised in India where she completed her first Master's in Child Development. Dr. Grewal came to Eastern Michigan University as an international student to pursue her second Master's in Educational Psychology. After graduating she taught at the Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor for many years as an elementary class teacher, a middle and highs school math teacher and assisted the school as it expanded into a high school.

In 1998 Dr. Grewal returned to EMU as an instructor, and graduated in 2014 with a PhD in Educational Studies (Urban Education). Her primary research interests are: educational equity, poverty, gender, qualitative research, cross-cultural research, and children's rights. She has written and produced an hour-long documentary titled "Bridge Over Destiny" on the importance of education in the lives of girls living in poverty in India. She is the founder and past Director of the non-profit: Sikhya-Strengthening Girls Voices and Choices Through Education, which provides mentoring

poverty. She also serves as the Director for the Office for Place-Based Education and is the founder and Director for the NEXT Scholars program at Eastern Michigan University. The NEXT Scholars program focuses on a community-based approach to improving the recruitment, retention and success of students from historically marginalized communities to become educators. Dr. Grewal is the recipient of many prestigious awards including the Ronald Collins Distinguished Faculty Award for Service (2023) and the John W. Porter Endowed Chair (2017). She has presented at conferences locally, nationally and internationally. She is a mother to two young men, Tej, a senior at Michigan Technological University and Kabir, a junior at Emory University. Dr. Grewal loves to travel, cook, walk in the many parks AA has, watch movies, spend time with friends and family, read, and loves dancing!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Spring 2023 Annual Fundraiser Saturday, April 22nd
- Annual Walkathon to STOP the Violence Sunday, June 11th
- Senior Day Celebration Sunday, August 20th
- Holiday Banquet Saturday, December 2nd

CSU GRANT UPDATES

Thanks to an ongoing grant from the State of Michigan's Division of Victim Services since 2016, MaiFS has been able to assist South Asian women affected by domestic violence for seven consecutive years.

The program will continue to provide vital victim advocacy and life-skill workshops to victim-participants residing in Metro Detroit, enabling them to gain a deeper understanding of domestic violence and acquire the necessary tools to become more empowered, and ultimately leading a life free of abuse.

To learn more about this Program, please visit our website at <u>maifs.org</u> or call Murali Nair at 248-795-4639.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- <u>Assistant Office Manager</u>
- <u>Case Worker</u>

How to apply:

"Please e-mail a cover letter detailing your relevant experience and resume to <u>Jobs@maifamilyservices.com</u> indicating the position you are applying for in the subject line."

Please provide three references.

We will be accepting applications and interviewing candidates on a rolling basis till the positions are filled.

WAYS TO DONATE

Thank you MaiFS well-wishers and donors for your monetary contribution and your continued support for the work that we do at Mai Family Services. The major portion of the funds collected from our donors is expended in providing direct services to our clients (housing, food, utilities and other necessities) and paying for the infrastructure that supports this work and building awareness through outreach.

Our sincere appeal to you to choose Mai Family Services as your preferred charity for the year 2023 AND beyond for donation.

There are **several ways** you can donate and make a difference in survivors' and their children's lives: **Zelle** at <u>admin@maifamilyservices.com</u> **Venmo** at <u>@maifsadmin</u> Mail a **check** to **32401 W Eight Mile Rd, Livonia, MI 48152** Scan the QR code to pay by **Credit Card**



Thank you for supporting Mai Family Services!





Our mailing address is: MAI FAMILY SERVICES 32401 W. Eight Mile Rd Livonia, MI 48152

