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BUILDING A STRONGER AND A HEALTHY COMMUNITY

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We cordially invite you to our in-person Holiday Fundraiser event since 2020.

Each year, MaiFS hosts a Holiday Fundraiser event to show its appreciation and express its gratitude to its donors and volunteers as well as raise money to support its clients (survivors of Domestic violence). Unfortunately, we had to cancel all our major Fundraiser events in 2020 due to the COVID pandemic and this has brought financial strain to the organization.

This pandemic has put another layer of challenge and struggle to our clients' lives. Many of our clients are facing financial challenges due to job lost and they are struggling to keep up with their daily needs. Some of them lost roof over their heads, many of them lost the privilege of having basic needs such as food on their plates, gas in their cars, clothes on their bodies, and most importantly providing for their children. These unprecedented challenges created a huge demand for services offered by MaiFS to its clients.

MaiFS has supported a larger number of clients and their families in 2020 and 2021. Our clients were provided emotional counseling, financial assistance for basic needs such as rent, food, utilities bills, children's school supplies and some specific needs such as medical insurance and legal fees.

MaiFS witnessed the financial support provided to its clients in 2020 surged tenfold (compare to 2019). In 2021, so far, MaiFS has spent the same amount as the entire 2020 amount. Thanks to the community grant and the corporate grant MaiFS is able to sustain its services to its clients.

Hence, the need for donation funds is greater than ever. We hope you will be able to join us on Dec 4th and support us generously during the Fundraising event, an evening of great entertainment and food

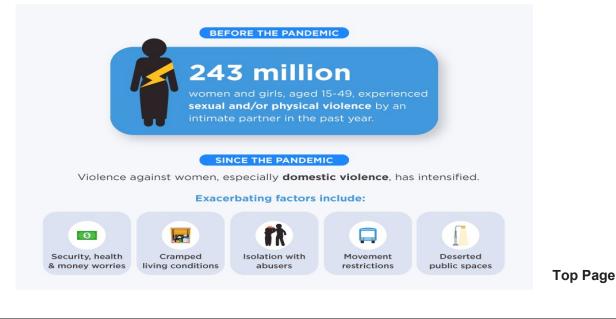
***This event is sold out. Online registration is closed. No walk-in. Please contact (248)- 767-4542 if any requests for attending the event.

Event details:

When: Saturday, December 4th, 2021. *Time:* Registration & Social hour starts at 5:30 PM Where: Farmington Hills Manor, 23666 Orchard Lake Rd, Farmington Hills, MI – 48336

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The Shadow Pandemic: Violence against women during COVID-19



Volunteer Corner!

The Fundraiser, Golden Club, and several other programs of Mai Family Services will not be possible without the volunteers. Our heartfelt thanks to our amazing volunteers!



In Partnership with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Service

STOP Grant Program Updates!

A restructured MaiFS STOP Grant Empowerment Program for South Asian community members affected by domestic violence is ready for implementation over the next few weeks. The program funded through a grant from the State of Michigan's Division of Victim Services (DVS) has been a cornerstone of Mai Family Services for the last five years.

Eligible participants in the program benefit through FREE counseling and life skills- advocacy sessions that address issues to help vulnerable DV victims lead an empowered life. These include among other things, learning and practicing the English language, enhancing life skills through computer and financial literacy, and providing information and connections to culturally acceptable DV supportive services in the community. Organizations representing South Asian community members are eligible to participate in the STOP program.

For more information on our program, please call Murali Nair @ 248-795-4639, or visit <u>maifs.org/stop-grant</u>.

DID YOU KNOW?

Some of you may not be aware that your Donation can become Tax-deductible even if you do not Itemize.

To make it deductible, without itemizing, one has to be 70 years of age or older and have an IRA account. Then they just go to their IRA account and send a check to Qualified Charity from that account. This donation amount can even be part of their RMD. In fact, up to \$100,000 can be donated like this every year.

One thing to be aware of at tax time is the 1099 form reports the donation check as Normal distribution and you in turn declare that this check(s) is sent to charity, then your taxable distribution income is reduced by the check(s) amount.

This is how it becomes Tax-deductible without Itemizing. If one is itemizing anyway, then it does not matter.





Donations can be made by **Zelle** at <u>admin@maifamilyservices.com</u> or

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

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