



**WOMEN IN DISTRESS**  
OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.  
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## *A Mission Moment*

On Monday, March 26 Women In Distress' Economic Justice Advocate hosted a networking event, titled, "**Spring Into Action**", for domestic violence survivors who want to develop their personal networks and businesses. The "**Spring Into Action**" event is part of a series of events hosted by Women In Distress' Education and Prevention Department's Economic Justice Advocate program. The program works to educate domestic violence survivors about financial and personal skills necessary to lead a financially independent life.

Participants from Women In Distress' *English as a Second Language* class, *Economic Justice* class, and *Business Justice* class were provided the opportunity to display their business products and share their experiences about the Economic Justice Advocate program. The event was also an opportunity for participants that are not familiar with the services provided through the Economic Justice Advocate program to learn more about it.

Participant's found the event helpful. One participant expressed during the event "This program helped me understand that if I really want to improve myself; I have to get up and take action!" Another participant stated "Thank you so much for the encouragement and continued support. I would not have seen myself presenting my work to anyone if it wasn't for you. So thank you again as this event has increased my self-esteem tremendously."

Our Education & Prevention Program provides education to youth and adults to help them understand the factors that influence domestic violence with an emphasis on efforts to promote healthy relationships. It's an opportunity to connect community residents to services and change social and community attitudes, and conditions that contribute to violence.

*Support our mission to stop domestic violence*

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## Bright Stars

Special thanks to Jan Parke and the Colony West Women's Golf for hosting its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Invitational Golf Tournament on March 22 benefitting Women In Distress. Thank you to their enthusiastic committee who rounded up players, auction items and sponsors – including DAX Copying & Printing, CVS Pharmacy, Audi Pembroke Pines, All County Health Care, Inc, Walker's Duplicate Bridge, Whole Foods Market, and Trader Joe's Ft. Lauderdale. The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Invitational Golf Tournament raised over \$18,000 for programs and services at Women In Distress.

## Upcoming Events

### Starfish Luncheon 2018



Each year, Women In Distress honors members of the community that have made a significant contribution to improve the lives of survivors of domestic violence. We invite you to learn a little about those that will be honored at this year's 12<sup>th</sup> Starfish Luncheon on May 2 at The Signature Grand. To read their full bios click [here](#).

**The Bank of America Charitable Foundation** believes in helping communities be successful and focuses on developing strong partnerships with nonprofit organizations serving critical needs.

**Kenny and Sandy Tate** are champions for children, literacy, the arts and education.

**Community Foundation of Broward** Fundholders are visionaries, innovators and doers. The following Funds at The Community Foundation of Broward are being recognized by Women In Distress:

- **The Tate Family Foundation Fund**
- **Kiwanis Club of Fort Lauderdale Charitable Fund**
- **James K. Oppenheimer Fund**
- **Evan Bell-Greenbaum Charitable Fund**
- **Peter Cooper Charitable Foundation Fund**

**Nancy Brown**, president of **The Fritch Foundation**, began the family foundation with her mom, Ruth, in 2005 with a mission to improve the lives of women and children in South Florida.

**Senator Nan Rich** has a distinguished record of public service and is a champion for families and children.

To learn more about each of these incredible honorees, click [here](#).

Women In Distress looks forward to honoring these community leaders on May 2 and invites you to join us. Sponsorships and individual tickets are available at [WomenInDistress.org](http://WomenInDistress.org) or by contacting Cindy Bibliowicz at 954-760-9800 x1236.

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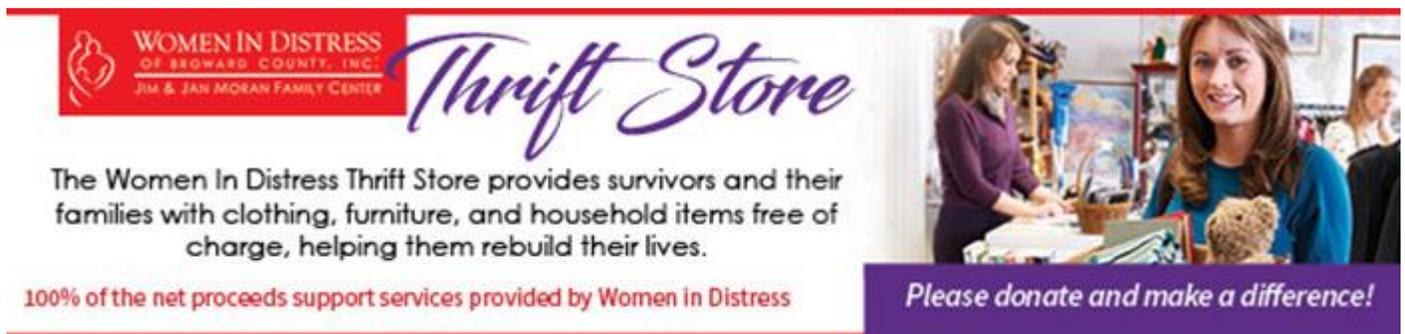
## Nothing Bundt Cakes - Sunrise Opening

Nothing Bundt Cake – Sunrise will host a "Women In Distress Benefit Day" on Friday, April 27, 2018 at the newly opened Sunrise location at 143 NW 136 Avenue Sunrise, FL 33325. 20% of sale proceeds will be donated to Women In Distress. Store hours are 10:00am-7:00pm. Please show your support for Women In Distress and Nothing Bundt Cakes.

For more information please contact Matt Williams, (954) 760-9800 ext. 1254 or email [mwilliams@womenindistress.org](mailto:mwilliams@womenindistress.org).

## Women In Distress Mother's Day Drive

Please join us as we collect Mother's Day gift items for domestic violence survivors. For more information please contact Matt Williams, (954) 760-9800 ext. 1254 or email [mwilliams@womenindistress.org](mailto:mwilliams@womenindistress.org).



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# Thrift Store

The Women In Distress Thrift Store provides survivors and their families with clothing, furniture, and household items free of charge, helping them rebuild their lives.

100% of the net proceeds support services provided by Women in Distress

*Please donate and make a difference!*

Senior Day is every Wednesday (50% off entire purchase, excluding furniture and jewelry)

There is a different "surprise" sale every day.

**To donate items or schedule furniture pick-up call [954-975-7425](tel:954-975-7425)**

or click [here](#) for more information



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