



WOMEN IN DISTRESS
OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.
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Monthly Newsletter | *Sharing stories of empowerment*

July 2018



A Mission Moment

Dear Friends:

For many, summertime is a welcome break, a few holiday weekends, a little vacation time and a break from the usual routines.

For families struggling with domestic violence, it's one of the most difficult times of the year. For some, it's the time to break away from an abusive situation with the children out of school – but with it comes the worries about where to find safety, how to get the kids ready for the new school year now just weeks away, how to get a new start free of the violence.

Like the holidays, the summer is among the busiest for those survivors coming to Women In Distress seeking help and calling the 24-hour crisis line. That is why we are reaching out to you to ask for your continuing support, especially for our Back to School campaign. There are many ways to help:

Consider sponsoring Women In Distress' Back to School Campaign.

Make a monetary donation to Women In Distress' Back to School Campaign.

Donate school supplies for the children of domestic violence survivors so that they may start the school year ready to succeed. **For more information or to donate click [here](#).**

I'd also like to thank you for your support throughout the year. Here are a few of the highlights:

In addition to our main Jim and Jan Moran Family Center campus in Deerfield Beach, Women In Distress now has six satellite centers throughout Broward County to open the access for survivors who need our help at the Self-Help Center in Central Courthouse in downtown Fort Lauderdale, and at other civic locations in Oakland Park, Pembroke Pines, Plantation and Hollywood.

A team of six attorneys are assisting survivors in getting injunctions-for-protection in the IFP Legal program.

Survivors are being assisted in new ways through the Economic Justice Advocate program and through the Ultimate Training Center with partners such as Broward College.

Expanded therapy services to both adults and children in addition to advocacy and other services to survivors and their children – all free and confidential.

A first-ever Broward Domestic Violence Summit was held in January on the campus of Nova Southeastern University (NSU) taking a strategic look at how our community is responding to domestic violence. Several key community partners joined Women In Distress in this Summit: JM Family Enterprises, NSU, Broward County, the Children's Services Council of Broward, Ultimate Software, Broward Regional Health Planning Council, FPL, the 17th Judicial Circuit, Department of Children and Families (DCF), BSO and other law enforcement agencies and several other sponsors.

Adding a long-awaited pet shelter to the services provided to survivors in partnership with the Humane Society of Broward County (HSBC).

Reaching thousands of people through professional training and work in schools at all levels – primary, middle, high school and on college campuses.

This is just a glimpse of the work being done each day by the staff at Women In Distress and our community partners. None of this would be possible without community support and funders and donors sharing our mission.

Our summer campaign is yet another way that we are counting on your help – we know you're with us and we are very grateful.

Enjoy your summer and thanks for keeping those most vulnerable and in need in your heart.



Mary Riedel

President and CEO

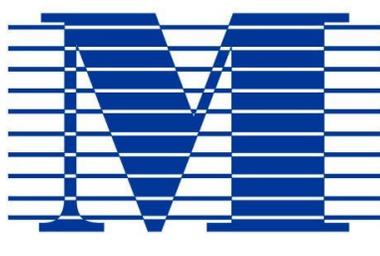
Support our mission to stop domestic violence

[Donate now](#)

[Tell a Friend](#)

Need Help Now: 24 Hour Crisis Hotline 954-761-1133

Bright Stars



**Memorial
Healthcare System**

Special thanks to Memorial Health Systems (MHS) for their continued support! Memorial Healthcare System is a current impact partner with Women In Distress and generously sponsored key initiatives and events such as the Domestic Violence Awareness Month 2017, the Inaugural Women's Empowerment Forum 2017, SafeWalk-Run 2018, and the recent Starfish Luncheon 2018. Memorial Healthcare Systems commitment to community support fulfills its mission to "heal the body, mind and spirit of those we touch." Thank you to Memorial Healthcare Systems for all that you do. Women In Distress is proud of our collaborative partnership.

Upcoming Events



Back To School Drive

Friends, it's that time of year: Back to School! **Did you know it cost \$388 for school supplies and required clothing just for one child?** Women In Distress is hosting its annual Back to School Drive now through August 8. Our goal is to raise funds to help rebuild the lives of children and their families affected by abuse. We will also collect school supplies like backpacks, pens, pencils, crayons, paper, binders, folders to distribute to the children of domestic violence survivors. Help us meet our goal to raise \$6,000 and school supplies for children so they can start the school year with the supplies and confidence they need to succeed. Please contact Matthew Williams at (954) 760-9800 ext. 1254 or email mwilliams@womenindistress.org for more information. To make a donation click [here](#).



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GOLF

TOURNAMENT

SAVE THE DATE

Monday, November 12, 2018

11:00am | Registration and Lunch

12:30pm | Shotgun Start

4:30pm | Awards Reception & Dinner
Silent & Live Auctions, Raffle Drawing

Coral Ridge Country Club

3801 Bayview Drive, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

For more information, please contact Cindy Bibliowicz
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WomenInDistress.org/events/golf-tournament



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Women In Distress' 5th Annual Charity Golf Tournament

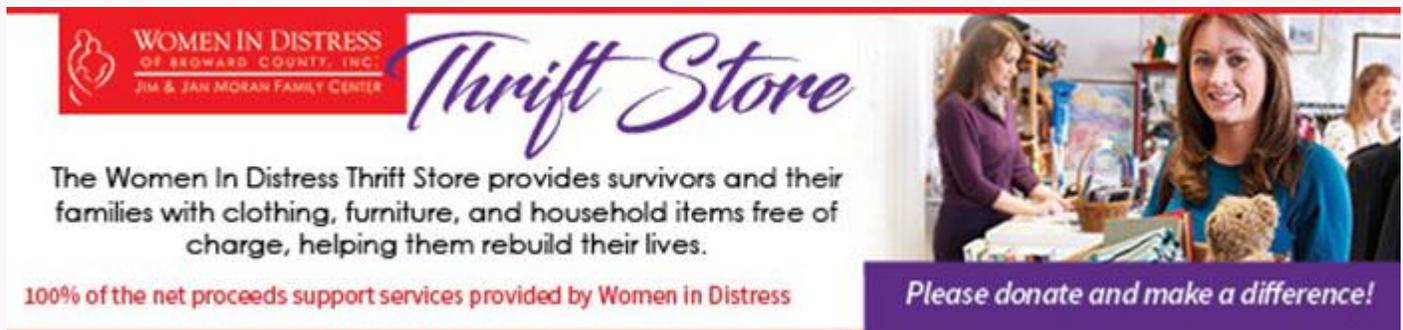
Friends, get your clubs ready. Golf is coming! On November 12, 2018 the 5th Annual Charity Golf Tournament to benefit Women In Distress will be held at the Coral Ridge Country Club. Partnership, and sponsorship/underwriting opportunities and foursomes are now available. Contact Cindy Bibliowicz, Director of Development for sponsorship information, at (954) 760-9800 ext. 1236 or email CBibliowicz@WomenInDistress.org. Click [here](#) for the sponsorship package.

Oceans 234- Back to School Event

Join us on Thursday, August 2, 2018, at Oceans 234 from 5:00PM-7:00PM for a Women In Distress Back to School event. We will be raising funds for domestic violence survivors and collecting school supplies for distribution to the children of domestic violence survivors to support the services we provide to survivors at no cost. Please contact Matthew Williams at (954) 760-9800 ext. 1254 or email mwilliams@womenindistress.org for more information.

Broward Mental Health Summit

On Wednesday, September 12, 2018, Women In Distress is proud to be a partner of the Broward Mental Health Summit from 8:00AM-5:00PM at the Charles F. Dodge City Center in Pembroke Pines. Admission is \$30. Breakfast and lunch are included. Parking is free. Tickets will not be sold at the door, so be sure to purchase tickets ahead of the event. For more information or to register please visit www.BrowardMentalHealthSummit.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