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Women's Center Honors Law Enforcement Partners at Gala

DANBURY, April 19 - The Women's Center hosted its annual Gala at the Amber Room Colonnade in Danbury on Friday, April 7th. They welcomed more than 325 guests to celebrate their achievements as they work to end the violence in the community. The annual gala is one of three major fundraisers for the Center and this year more than \$245,000 was raised to support their critical programs and services, all of which are provided free of charge to the community.

This year the local Law Enforcement agencies from the 13 towns the Women's Center serves were presented with their Founders Award, which is given in honor of the three founding members of the Center. The local police have a critical partnership with the Women's Center as they work together to support victims and the community at large.

Representatives from Bethel, Brookfield, Danbury, New Milford, Newtown, Redding, and Ridgefield Police Departments were in attendance to accept their awards. They were joined by representatives from the Town of Bridgewater Police, CT State Police Troops A & L and the Western Connecticut State University Police Department. Absent were New Fairfield Police Department, the Town of Roxbury Police and the Town of Washington Police.

The Women's Center provides free and confidential services to prevent or lessen the trauma associated with domestic violence, sexual assault and other major life transitions to thousands of women, children and men annually. The programs of the Women's Center are supported by state and local government, area United Way agencies and the people and businesses in the communities we serve, including Bethel, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Danbury, Kent, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, Redding, Ridgefield, Roxbury, Sherman, and Washington, CT.

For more information about Women's Center events, or to make a donation, please contact Kelly Parker, Special Events Manager, at (203) 731-5200.

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