

abused Deaf women's advocacy services

Newsletter

Fall 2012

ADWAS Auction

The Red Lion was a happening place on October 20th! Our annual Hope & Justice Auction and gala was a great success! We grossed \$106,000 which will help support the services we provide in the community. DeafNation's Joel Barish captured the event on video. Go to our website under 'announcements' to watch! We will host the event once again in October 2013. Keep your eyes open for a save the date reminder.

Men's Engagement Coordinator - New Project Announcement

We are proud to announce a project new to ADWAS. Beginning October 1st, ADWAS received funding from the Office of Violence against Women allowing ADWAS to develop and implement **a prevention campaign** directed toward Deaf men. As many of you know, ADWAS has served male victims since it opened in 1986 and we continue to provide services to men today. Now, in addition to serving male survivors of violence, we will create a group of Deaf male allies who will actively work with other Deaf men to increase their understanding of violence against women; create a more positive environment in the Deaf community for victims; increase Deaf men's awareness of domestic and sexual violence and the impact violence has on individual victims/ survivors, children, and the community as a whole.

Hotline Advocate Position

We are currently looking for an advocate to work on the national hotline to handle crisis calls, emails and Instant Messages from people from all across the country.

Both positions are posted on the ADWAS website.

Chase Community Giving Program

Thank you to the community! Through Facebook votes from our fans, friends, and family, ADWAS was chosen as one of three organizations in Western Washington to receive a grant of \$25,000. On October 27th, Tiffany S. Williams, ADWAS Executive Director, was presented a check from Chase Bank at the Chase Fall Festival.

John Maucere Show

The John Maucere Show is coming to town! You know that really fun guy that travels all over the country with the one man show? We will host John M for a show on Saturday, March 23, 2013. Check our website after the New Year for more details.



Thank you to The Mary Kay Foundation

Thank you to The Mary Kay Foundation for granting ADWAS \$20,000. Anne Crews, Mary Kay Inc. Vice President of Government Relations and board member for The Mary Kay Foundation had this to say, "The Mary Kay Foundation is committed to breaking the cycle of domestic violence. Through our grants, we honor and support shelters across the country that are having a profound impact for women and children in their communities. Since 2000, we have granted \$31 million to help domestic violence shelters meet their critical needs and support their ongoing community efforts."

U.S. Bancorp Foundation and Verizon Wireless

Hands waving and a big thank you to US Bank and Verizon! US Bancorp Foundation gave a grant of \$2,500. They provide cash contributions to nonprofit organizations and one of their priority areas is affordable housing. Verizon Wireless, through their HopeLine® program, has awarded ADWAS a grant in the amount of \$2,500. HopeLine is the national philanthropy program focused on helping organizations that are working to curb domestic violence.

Community BINGO Night

ADWAS hosted a FREE community BINGO night in October at ADWAS and it was a huge fun-filled night! Sixty-one people showed up to eat dinner, play games, hang out, and enjoy visiting with each other. Next time, we will need a bigger room!

Year-end Gifts

Gifts made to ADWAS help the community to survive and to thrive. Make your gift online today! Or checks may be sent to: 8623 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115.