

2026 40th Anniversary Gala
Gala In-Kind Donation Request



Dear Community Partner,

“I finally feel safe here. Someday, I want to work at ADWAS so I can give back to others.”
— ADWAS survivor

For 40 years, Abused Deaf Women’s Advocacy Services (ADWAS) has worked alongside Deaf, DeafBlind, DeafDisabled, and Hard of Hearing survivors to build safety, access, healing, and hope.

On Saturday, October 3, 2026, ADWAS will celebrate its 40th Anniversary Gala: Hope and Justice at Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue. Approximately 200 guests will gather to celebrate four decades of collective work toward safety, healing and justice for Deaf, and DeafBlind survivors.

If you have supported an ADWAS Gala in the past, thank you. Your generosity has helped make these gatherings and our fundraising efforts possible, and we hope you will consider supporting our **40th Anniversary Gala**.

To help make this special evening a success, we are seeking in-kind donations to enhance the event, offset expenses, or support our Gala fundraising activities.

We welcome donations such as:

- Auction items, experiences, gift certificates, and gift cards
- Food, beverages, specialty items, and event décor
- Entertainment, photography, printing, and other event services
- Lodging, transportation, recreational experiences, products, or other services

We welcome other contributions that can help make our gala successful and memorable.

If you are able to contribute, please complete the enclosed In-Kind Donation Form with details about your donation. If an in-kind donation is not possible, we would also welcome a monetary contribution specifically designated to support the Gala.

Your generosity will help us celebrate 40 years of Hope and Justice while allowing more of the funds raised through the Gala to directly support ADWAS’s accessible, survivor-centered services.

As a thank-you, we will recognize your contribution through appropriate Gala materials and event recognition, based on the nature and level of your donation.

Thank you for considering supporting ADWAS’s 40th Anniversary Gala. We are grateful for your partnership in creating safer, more accessible communities for Deaf, DeafBlind, DeafDisabled, and Hard of Hearing people.

Questions, please contact Emmett at development@adwas.org.

With gratitude,

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HOPE & JUSTICE GALA

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