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SPECIAL APPEAL

Trumbull County's unemployment rate is 14.2% and has more than doubled since 2008. Not only does this affect our local economy, consider what else this means for our community: **Violence against women increases as male unemployment increases.** When a woman's male partner is employed, the rate of violence is 4.7%. It's 7.5% when the male experiences one period of unemployment. It's 12.3% when the male experiences two or more periods of unemployment (WomensLaw.org). A female victim's lack of money, meanwhile, is a common reason why she may refuse to leave an abusive partner.

As the economy suffers, so do more women and children within our community. Someplace Safe, Inc. needs your support in order to continue offering services to Trumbull County's victims of domestic violence. Someplace Safe, Inc. is a non-profit agency, and does not charge for its services due to grant restrictions. A reduction in offered services is imminent if we don't receive community financial support. It still costs:

- \$504 to provide a victim 6 safe nights of shelter
- \$264 to provide age-appropriate, three-day presentation to a local Trumbull County school
- \$150 to provide a victim with 10 hours of group support
- \$105 to provide a child with 7 hours of individual support services
- \$50 to provide a victim with food for 5 days

Operating costs remain a constant, though Someplace Safe, Inc. has a reported decrease of 29% in overall income and an increase in need of services. In order to continue to offer a safe place for victims of our community, won't you please help us maintain services to the growing number of victims—your sister, mother, friend, and neighbor?

Someplace Safe, Inc.: Special Appeal

Yes, I/We will help support Someplace Safe, Inc. in providing:

Please check one:

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- \$ Other

Please mail checks to:

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We sincerely appreciate your 100% tax-deductible donation during these economically challenging times.