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February 14, 2013

OSSTF D35 Brock Support Staff c/o Thistle 253B 500 Glenridge Ave St Catharines ON L2S 3A1

Dear Mr. Westbury,

On behalf of Gillian's Place I would like to thank you for inviting us to attend your Christmas lunch to provide an information booth and for presenting us with a cheque at the event. Your donation of \$250.00 will help ensure that abused women and their children will have safe shelter and the supports they need to rebuild their lives.

The programs and services Gillian's Place provides helps abused women and their children with the opportunity to rebuild their lives. Your generosity will facilitate a wide array of services and programs such as support counselling and safety planning, family law advice, safe shelter and transitional assistance. Abused women who may never stay at our shelter still benefit from the free and confidential services we offer. We would not be able to do this important work without the support of our community.

"This agency did everything possible to help me and my children. They helped and guided me to find myself again. They made it feel like home. They gave me the confidence I needed to be a strong single mother." ~ Former shelter resident

The support of groups in our community, like OSSTF D35 Brock Support Staff, helps us to provide the opportunity for freedom from abuse and restore the hope of abused women and their children. Together let us continue our work to keep our daughters, sisters, mothers, neighbors and friends safe and empowered. On behalf of the thousands of women who will receive our help this year, thank you.

Sincerely,

Anne Armstrong Executive Director

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