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First Anniversary Report - June 2017

Dear colleagues and supporters:

As we mark the first anniversary of the opening of the University of Maryland SAFE Center for Human Trafficking Survivors in May 2016, we are pleased to report that the Center is already playing an important role in the community. Our first anniversary report of the Center's activities is attached. As the report details:

- We have served 39 human trafficking survivors since our opening.

Today we provide bilingual case management, mental health, medical and legal services to our clients onsite and through our University partners.

- We are building our Center's Economic Empowerment Program, which is vital to restoring trafficking survivors' independence and self-determination.
- We led Prince George's County's efforts to develop a crisis intervention protocol for trafficking victims in the country, and we co-chair the Victim Services Committees of both Prince George's and Montgomery County's Human Trafficking Task Forces.
- The University setting enables us to leverage critical expertise of the faculty and clinics to provide a much-needed comprehensive interdisciplinary approach. To date, we have collaborated with eight University schools and hosted 25 students interns.

We are grateful for the support and leadership of the University of Maryland in taking on the serious issue of human trafficking in the state of Maryland. We are also thankful for our University and community partners and especially our donors, who have made our Center a reality and a force in the field. The SAFE Center has ambitious plans to advance our work in the years ahead.

Your support for our mission and vision is changing and saving lives.

With gratitude,

Susan Esserman

SAFE Center Founder and Director

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The mission of the SAFE Center is to provide survivor-centered and trauma-informed services that empower trafficking survivors to heal and reclaim their lives, and to prevent trafficking and better serve survivors through research and policy advocacy.

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