



Contact: Zoe Echternacht
(805) 963-4458

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Trilogy Service Club Reaches Goal to Name a Domestic Violence Emergency Shelter Room in Memory of Elyse Erwin

SANTA MARIA, CA, July 10, 2017 Trilogy Service Club and the Monarch Club partnered with Domestic Violence Solutions for Santa Barbara County (DVS) to honor the life of their friend Elyse Erwin, who worked for the Monarch Club as Catering Manager.

Their goal was to raise enough capital to name a room at DVS' newly expanded emergency shelter in her memory. At the end of June, they not only reached their goal, but surpassed it. Thanks to Trilogy Service Club's efforts, there will be two named units at the emergency shelter – one in memory of Elyse and one in honor of her daughter Leila. A special dedication ceremony is scheduled to take place late this month.



Trilogy Service Club is composed of resident members of the Monarch Dunes Community who volunteer extensively and fundraise for local charities.

DVS recently expanded the shelter from 28 to 60 beds to accommodate the increasing number of victims who need a safe place to stay.

Domestic Violence Solutions for Santa Barbara County is the county's only full-service domestic violence agency, committed to ending the intergenerational cycle of domestic violence through prevention and intervention services, and through challenging society's attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors to effect social change. DVS provides the county's only 24-hour shelter services for victims and their children, as well as transitional housing programs for domestic violence survivors. DVS also operates four 24-hour hotlines; accompanies law enforcement on domestic violence calls; works to prevent domestic violence through teen outreach and education programs; and provides comprehensive counseling services to men, women, and children affected by domestic violence