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CoastHills Credit Union Makes the Holidays Brighter for Domestic Violence Victims and their Families

SANTA BARBARA, CA, December 21, 2017 – Domestic Violence Solutions (DVS) is thrilled to be the recipient of a generous \$1,000 contribution from the CoastHills Credit Union. The funding will help



provide vital services for the women, men and children in the Santa Maria and Lompoc shelters.

The donation was made possible by CoastHills’s incredible “I’m All In” program, which launched in December 2015. CoastHills employees can choose to donate a portion of each paycheck to a giving pool. Every quarter, an employee’s name is randomly selected, and that employee chooses a nonprofit to receive a \$1,000 grant.

Joshua D. Scroggin, Social Media Officer at CoastHills, explains: “the most novel aspects of



the program are that it is 100% employee funded through 100% percent voluntary donations, and our staff is really deciding where they want to make a difference. The Credit Union’s vision statement is ‘We make a difference in our neighbors’ lives,’ and our employees truly live that vision. We now have 98% participation in ‘I’m All In,’ and

in just two years, the program will have given \$36,000 of grants to local organizations doing great work on the Central Coast.

Yvonna Kabrel is a Member Service Officer at our Lompoc branch who was selected in the most recent random draw, and she chose to donate to Domestic Violence Solutions. She told me she has seen family members as well as members of the community become victims, and it’s a cause she believes is deserving of increased awareness and support.”

Domestic Violence Solutions is eternally grateful for the kindness and generosity of Yvonna Kabrel and the other 250+ CoastHills staff. Last year alone DVS provided 4,687 safe nights to victims and their families. The safety and comfort of residents at DVS depend on the support of outside organizations. This holiday season will be much brighter thanks to CoastHills employees.

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. For more information please call 805-963-4458 or visit our website at www.DVSolutions.org.