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DOVE (DO**mestic Violence Ended), Inc.'s
11th Annual Harvesting Hope Fundraising Gala
Raises over \$220,000
To support its critical programs and services**



(L-R) DOVE Board & Event Committee Members Betsy Cohen & Mary Christo

QUINCY, MA- On Friday, October 14, 2016, DOVE(*D**O**mestic Violence Ended*), Inc. held its **11th Annual Harvesting Hope Gala & Fundraiser** in the Grand Ballroom of The Boston Marriott Quincy. With over 200 guests attending the event, this extraordinary night was a marvelous success!

Harvesting Hope raised over \$220,000 as a result of the wonderful generosity of our sponsors, donors, and attendees, enabling DOVE to strengthen its efforts to end domestic violence. DOVE's Executive Director, Sue Chandler said, "We exceeded our goal tonight and extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have supported our mission."

The spirited evening began with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres as guests mingled while exploring fabulous silent auction items and raffle prizes. The evening's Master of Ceremonies was **Cheryl Fiandaca, Boston's WHDH-TV/7 News Investigative Reporter**. Guests heard a heartfelt and personal account of the tragedies of domestic violence from the evening's survivor speaker. The inspiration stirred from the presenter's words

was felt throughout the evening and was met by the passionate altruism of all the Harvesting Hope guests. This wonderful event concluded with a live auction featuring items such as week-long getaways, and innovative E-Bikes, Red Sox tickets, and Big Papi memorabilia.

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All proceeds from the event will support DOVE's domestic violence services and community education in Norfolk County and the greater South Shore.

About DOVE, Inc.

DOVE, Inc. is committed to partnering with diverse communities, families, and individuals impacted by domestic violence. We promote hope, healing, safety, and social change by providing a broad range of preventive and responsive services.

Over the last 38 years, DOVE has sheltered nearly 5,000 families and answered more than 50,000 hotline calls. DOVE provides community services in 17 cities and towns in Norfolk County and the South Shore and also works in partnership with the Dedham, Holbrook, Milton, Norwood, Quincy, and Randolph Police Departments, as well as with the Quincy and Dedham District Courts and Norfolk Probate & Family Court. All services are confidential, provided free of charge, and are available by appointment.

For more information, visit www.dovema.org or call

- ❖ 24-Hour Hotline: 617-471-1234 or 1-888-314-DOVE (3683)
- ❖ Community Advocacy & Prevention Services: 617-770-4065

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