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*The mission of HJWT is to stop
the generational cycle of abuse
in rural American families.*

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TO ALL OUR LOYAL DONORS
AND OTHERS WHO WANT TO HELP HJWT

Every year I send this letter with the message that the need is great for rural abused women and children in Vermont who are destitute and without help. The clients HJWT serves have little to survive on other than what HJWT can provide by your private donations and the work the organization does to be funded by public and private grants. Without the resources we provide including legal and social services, the abused women stay with or go back to their abuser. Many times the pattern is set before they were born, as studies show their mother, their grandmothers and great grandmothers were all born into families with abusers and then married abusers. The women are often without education or skills and have children they need to protect and rear. They need a chance in life.

HJWT is unique and one of a kind. It is successful because of the holistic model I developed and put in place, which has served thousands of women directly in twelve years. Only 10% return to their abuser or go on to another abuser. HJWT has also developed the LEAP program that serves hundreds of women who with education and guidance from HJWT are able to represent themselves in the courtroom. HJWT would like to have our model replicated across the United States.

Most non-profits serving abused women provide relief from abuse and shelters but not the next level of legal services and education so the women can move forward and become independent and self-sustaining. HJWT is working to inform many in this country that the HJWT model is a proven way to work with abused women and children so they can become free from abuse and go on to live full and productive lives. If you know of any way to help HJWT get into the print or televised media, please contact me.

The financial downfall in this country has hurt every one. Huffington Post writes that, "The top charities in the country have seen their donations drop by 11 percent, the worst decline in 20 years." This has had devastating consequences for the population HJWT serves, as abusers become worse and more violent. So again, I am asking that you give money so these women and children can not only survive, but also live a life that is healthy and productive for them and for society. HJWT is able to continue its mission because of the generosity of individuals, like you, who recognize human worth and know that with education and resources individuals, can overcome the odds and obstacles, which confront them.

Sincerely,

Wynona I. Ward, Esq.

P.S. To read the most recent media article about HJWT see: U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT
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