"Tee Up for Survivors" Returns to El Segundo's Topgolf on August 15

Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice Holds 3rd "Tee Up for Survivors" Topgolf Event to Benefit Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault & Human Trafficking



El Segundo, California Aug 6, 2024 (Issuewire.com) - The Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice (LACLJ) will host its 3rd annual **Tee Up for Survivors** Topgolf event on Aug. 15, 2024, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at <u>Topgolf in El Segundo</u> (400 Pacific Coast Hwy, El Segundo, CA 90245). The event offers an opportunity to build memories, engage in friendly competition, and enjoy a fun night out at the driving range, all while supporting a vital cause. Funds raised will provide low-income survivors of violent abuse with access to LACLJ's all-encompassing solution for survivors; protection through the law and nurturing through social work.

"We are thrilled to host this event for the third year in a row," said Carmen McDonald, executive director of LACLJ. "It's a wonderful chance for our community to come together, have fun, and support survivors in their journey to justice and safety."

The Tee Up for Survivors event aims to promote access to justice by providing low-income survivors of violence with free legal representation, advocacy, and mental well-being services. By participating, attendees contribute to LACLJ's mission to empower survivors to escape violence and build more hopeful futures.

This year, Jones Day Law Firm, Los Angeles Branch, and The Trejo Family will be Platinum Sponsors. Their generous support underscores their commitment to justice and community service.

Event Details:

Date: Aug. 15, 2024Time: 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

• Location: Topgolf, El Segundo, Calif.

• Activities: Driving range games, friendly competition, food and drinks

• **Beneficiary:** Low-income survivors of violence receiving free legal representation and advocacy from LACLJ

How to Participate:

- **Tickets and Sponsorships:** Tickets can be purchased, and sponsorship opportunities are available through the LACLJ website at <u>LACLJ.org</u>.
- Contact: For more information, contact [insert contact details].

By joining the event, supporters help ensure that survivors have the legal resources they need to escape violence and create better futures for themselves and their families.

About the Issues:

Domestic Abuse

In California, domestic abuse remains a significant issue, with 34.9% of women and 31.1% of men experiencing intimate partner physical violence in their lifetimes. In 2018, Los Angeles law enforcement received 166,890 domestic violence-related calls, highlighting the pervasive nature of this issue. That same year, domestic violence constituted 20% of all violent crimes.

Sexual Assault

In 2022, there were 3,869 reported sexual assaults in Los Angeles County, and in 2023, over 18,000 rape incidents were reported across California. Among high school students in the Los Angeles Unified School District, 6.7% (approximately 13,854 students) reported experiencing physical date violence, indicating the widespread impact of sexual violence on young individuals.

Human Trafficking

California has the highest rate of human trafficking in the United States, with 1,334 cases and 2,122 survivors reported. In 2018, nearly 10% of homeless individuals in Los Angeles County reported being trafficked for sex or labor. Additionally, approximately one in five homeless youth in California has experienced trafficking, with 14% experiencing sex trafficking, 8% labor trafficking, and 3% enduring both forms.

About The Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice

The Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice is a specialized legal and humanitarian movement advocating for vulnerable survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. Since 1973, LACLJ has provided legal services to communities that face multiple barriers to accessing justice.

About 80% of family law cases involve at least one self-represented person, largely because they cannot afford an attorney. In LA County, this statistic is representative of over 16,000 survivors! Without

access to legal representation, survivors can lose restraining order protection, custody of their children, and their visitation rights as parents.

LACLJ provides survivors with an expert attorney and a dedicated advocate in and outside of the courtroom. We not only help to address survivors' legal battles but also connect families to the resources they need to build self-sufficiency and create more hopeful futures. https://www.laclj.org

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