

## Hays Caldwell Womens Center auction raises more than \$72,000

The Hays-Caldwell Women's Center (HCWC), a local not-for-profit organization which offers free counseling and advocacy services to victims of family violence, sexual assault and child abuse residing within Hays and Caldwell counties, recently hosted its 29th Annual Auction in the LBJ Student Center Ballroom at Texas State University.

This year's event brought together supporters, clients, organization funders and staff for an exciting evening which included a live and two silent auctions.

The auction successfully raised more than \$72,000 in funding for HCWC, funds which are critical in providing direct services to the center's clients.

According to Margaret Dunn, long-time supporter and one of more than 400 auction attendees, "Throughout the years the Women's Center has consistently addressed the growing needs for services in Hays and Caldwell counties. The annual auction is an excellent way for the local community to show their appreciation and support for the HCWC's work."

The 29th Annual Auction was made possible by the following and countless other supporters: R.P. Constructors, Inc., McCoy's Building Supply, Tanger Outlet Center-San Marcos, Seton Medical Center Hays, Texas Lehigh Cement Co., Eleanor Butt Crook, Shirley and Bob Ogletree, Dohn White, Roy and Cecelia Adair,



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HCWC served 1,556 victims in the year that ended on Sept. 30, 2012, according to figures released in its most recent annual report. An additional 1,941 victims were served by its 24-hour HELpline, (512) 396-HELP. HCWC services include a family violence shelter, children's advocacy center (Roxanne's House), counseling and advocacy, forensic interviews of child victims, and sexual assault hospital response.

The Hays-Caldwell Women's Center has a 35-year history of serving women, men and children in Hays and Caldwell Counties who are victims of sexual assault, child abuse and family violence.

All HCWC services are free and confidential. For more information visit [www.hcwc.org](http://www.hcwc.org) or call (512) 396-HELP.