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**~ Rita and John Canning  
WINGS Board Co-Chair**



Dear WINGS Family,

Tonight, we celebrate the 20th Annual Purple Tie Ball. Unlike every other year, we cannot be physically together, but that does not mean that we are not connected. WINGS is a family that shares a unique bond between clients, graduates, staff, board, councils, volunteers, donors and the community. We are all here for each other through anything that life throws at us. We have all rallied around survivors of domestic violence who access WINGS to give them a hand up and out of the abuse.

Over the past six months, the increase in domestic violence has been significant. The statewide hotline experienced a 70% increase in calls. WINGS staff were there to respond. While everything shut down, WINGS Safe Houses and homes remained open even though we had to move several families into hotel rooms for their health and safety. The staff were amazing as they moved families from emergency shelter into permanent housing as if there were no pandemic at all!

During the unrest across the city of Chicago, our WINGS Metro Safe House was spared any damage and the staff kept all of the families safe inside.

In March, we were forced to shut down our four resale stores. This caused a significant loss of revenue and several staff were furloughed. In spite of this, the remaining staff capitalized on collecting donations from the community as people cleaned out closets. This ensured the stores were fully stocked when they reopened in June. The entire resale staff returned and are serving customers and donors in new, safe ways.

This pandemic has created new challenges, but with the support of thousands of donors we are surviving and thriving. WINGS is fortunate to have great leadership in our Board Co-Chairs, Rita Canning and Ellaine Sambo-Reyther. We are grateful to the leadership and support of Matt Baumann who served as our President for many years.

Each and every one of you make a difference in the lives of survivors and their children. Thank you for joining the Purple Tie Ball and thank you for all of your support!

Sincerely,

*Rebecca Darr*

President & CEO

# Evening Highlights

**5:30pm**

*Pre-program video and cocktails  
(Countdown to official program will begin at 5:50pm)*

*Performance by Maggie Speaks*

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**6:00pm**

*Welcome by WINGS CEO, Rebecca Darr  
Emcee, Dana Kozlov of CBS 2 Chicago News  
WINGS Board of Directors member, Terri Greeno*

*Message from our event co-chairs...  
Melissa Canning and Debby Jackson*

*Get ready to dance with Maggie Speaks!*

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**6:30pm**

*WINGS Graduate, Jennifer  
David K. Hill Award Recipient, Jillvona  
Special video message from Diane Hill*

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**6:45pm**

*Impact Video  
Virtual Paddle Raise  
Closing Remarks*

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**7:00pm**

*Event concludes  
Silent Auction is now closed*

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*It is our honor to support the mission of WINGS!*

*We are proud to support the  
annual Purple Tie Ball event!*

*~ Paula and Peter Fasseas*



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*~ David Herro and Jay Franke*

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*Best wishes to all for  
a wonderful event!*

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# Silent Auction and Donation Instructions

## **Below are the three ways you can donate during the event:**

**Text** "wings" to phone number 56651. Follow the prompts to make and pay for your donation.

**Link** – use <https://cbo.io/d/wings> to give a secure donation today. Simply enter the link in your web browser and follow the steps to make your donation. It's that easy and quick.

**Call** 847-714-1515 from 5:30pm - 7:00pm CST on Saturday, October 3 and one of our dedicated staff members will take down your information and process your donation. Be sure to have your credit card on hand.

## **Silent Auction Bidding Instructions**

You can register and start bidding anytime starting now through 7:00 PM on October 3. If you're new to the world of online bidding, don't fear, we've got you covered with our 2-step process to registering, bidding, and purchasing your silent auction items.

First things first, you can use ClickBid from any desktop or laptop computer, smart phone, or tablet. It does not require you to download a new application, simply enter this URL: <https://wings.cbo.io> into your preferred Internet browser to access the auction. You will, however, need a data or internet connection.

### **Step 1: Register Your Account**

Once you arrive on the home page for the auction (again, that URL is <https://wings.cbo.io>), click on the purple "Register Now" button. This will take you to a simple registration form, which requires your name, address, phone number, email address, and create a password.

It also asks if you would like to enable text alerts; activating text alerts will allow ClickBid to send you text notifications when someone outbids you on an item. Complete the registration form, then click the blue "Submit" button.

Next, you'll receive a welcome e-mail from ClickBid, which will provide important information about the event, the silent auction, and your bidder number. You will need your bidder number in order to participate in the auction. You will also receive a welcome text with the link to start bidding.

### **Step 2: You can now start browsing and bidding on items!**

You can go to the blue menu button to browse by category. Click on menu and my items - to see the items you are winning, losing or marked as favorites.

**SILENT AUCTION CLOSSES AT 7:00PM ON OCTOBER 3rd.**

**YOU CAN PAY DIRECTLY FROM YOUR PHONE.**



# Impact Auction ~ Virtual Paddle Raise

**You can make an impact today on the lives of the individuals staying in WINGS Safe Houses. Look into your heart and please make a contribution. Help WINGS break the cycle of domestic violence by making a tax-deductible gift tonight! With your support, we can:**

- **Offer an integrated continuum of housing and services**
- **Provide counseling and advocacy**
- **Help adults and children build a better life for themselves – free from domestic violence**

**\$5,000**

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**\$1,000**

**Counseling for post-traumatic stress disorder for one year**



**\$500**

**Cost of a night of shelter and food for a family of five**



**\$250**

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**\$100**

**Four boxes of diapers**



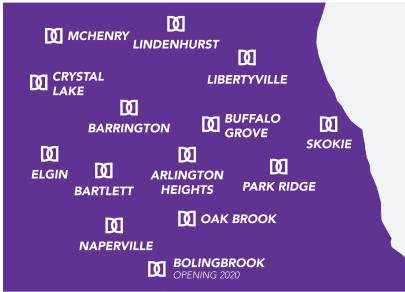
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# David K. Hill Award Winner

## Jillvona "Jill"

*Looking from the outside, Jill was a college student who appeared to have everything going well. In reality, she was enduring physical and emotional abuse from her boyfriend and hiding the bruises and swelling from classmates, employers, and friends. In Jill's senior year of college, she became pregnant. Knowing the difficulties single mothers face, Jill was determined to graduate. However, Jill experienced a devastating event when her college apartment was destroyed by fire, leaving her homeless and unable to stay in school. Jill stayed with those who willingly offered her a place to sleep, but often she resorted to sleeping in her car with her daughter. After a few years of being homeless, Jill connected with WINGS Program. Coming to WINGS, Jill found a safe place to heal. She had big aspirations and wanted the opportunity to afford her daughter a life free from domestic violence and homelessness.*

*Upon entering WINGS, it was evident that Jill was determined to become successful and independent. Jill remained employed full-time during her two years in the program, working security jobs and ultimately obtaining a job working for the U.S. Post Office. Jill worked diligently on maintaining a monthly budget, reduced her debt by 60%, and purchased a new car. Jill successfully completed WINGS Parenting and Money Management classes, and developed strong life skills that led her to receive awards during WINGS Annual Clean-a-thon.*

*When Jill's daughter was diagnosed with a medical emergency, she found herself having to be her daughter's strongest advocate. Working with WINGS staff, being committed to her counseling sessions, open to learning new skills, particularly parenting skills; Jill was able to approach this very difficult situation head on.*

*Having to leave college after the apartment fire, one of Jill's goals was to complete her Bachelor's degree. She was assigned a WINGS educational mentor, who helped Jill prepare for her final classes at Roosevelt University. Recently completing her classes, Jill is ready to graduate, after much hard work and determination!*

*In addition to completing college, Jill wanted to tackle her life dream to become a police officer. She completed the Hoffman Estates Community Police Academy, and is currently scheduled to graduate in November 2020 from the Police Academy in Memphis, Tennessee. Moving to Memphis was another dream of Jill's. After exiting WINGS Program, she was able to rent a house at market price and fulfill this dream too.*



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# IMPACT

**71,839**  
safe, peaceful  
nights of  
shelter for  
adults and  
their children

**539** adults  
empowered  
to break  
free from  
domestic  
violence

**371**  
children  
encouraged to  
develop positive,  
non-violent  
relationships

**\$25,887**  
in WINGS Resale  
Store gift cards  
provided clothes,  
housewares and  
furnishings for  
families



**7,631** hours  
of children's  
services provided  
to develop life  
skills and healthy  
relationships

**2,835** hours  
of adult  
counseling  
services  
helped build self-  
esteem and heal  
from trauma

**504** medical  
professionals  
trained to identify  
domestic violence  
and provide  
referrals

**275** adults  
and children  
given access  
to a support  
system through  
Community Based  
Services

We are honored to be sponsors of  
WINGS Purple Tie Ball and  
to support the mission of WINGS!



**THANK YOU,  
WINGS!**

Because of your work, so many lives in our community have changed for the better. Through outreach, education and advocacy, we're proud to support your mission of ending domestic violence.



*Proud Supporters of WINGS since 2005  
Matt and Dawn Baumann*



*The Beaubien Family wishes all of the WINGS  
staff, volunteers, clients, and graduates all the best  
for many more years of amazing service, dedication  
and success. Thanks for all you do!*

*~ The Beaubien Family*

*In supporting this WINGS Gala, I wish to honor the incredible program staff who help amazing women find the inner strength to overcome the grasp of domestic violence and achieve a future, at first, only seen in their dreams.*

*~ Diane Hill*



*With appreciation and admiration to the entire WINGS team. Your commitment and dedication changes lives and inspires us.*

*~ Pam Zunker Myerson & Bob Zunker*



*Proud to support the annual Purple Tie Ball and the amazing work of WINGS!*

*~ Mary Jo Boler*

*We are thankful for the time and talent of Chef Laura Piper, for creating an extraordinarily special evening at home for one of our sponsors by making them a fabulous dinner on October 3rd for the Purple Tie Ball.*



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