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Faces of Hope Foundation and Ada County Paramedics Unite to Support Victims of Domestic Violence

Boise, ID June 14 – Faces of Hope Foundation and Ada County Paramedics join together to provide domestic violence victims free transportation to Faces of Hope Victim Center

BOISE – Domestic violence (DV) victims who need transportation to get medical attention no longer have to worry about the cost of that transportation.

The Faces of Hope Foundation, Ada County Emergency Medical Services, and Ada County are pleased to announce a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between Faces of Hope Foundation and the Ada County Paramedics to provide free transportation to domestic violence victims from their home to Faces of Hope Victim Center for emergency medical evaluations.

“One of the greatest barriers to victims presently is the cost of ambulance transportation and an ER bill,” said Paige Dinger, executive director of Faces of Hope Foundation. “This MOU provides free transport to Faces and a free domestic violence medical examination.”

Ada County Emergency Services agreed to facilitate the direct transport of victims who meet established criteria to Faces of Hope in Boise for a potential DV forensic exam and other services.

The Faces of Hope Foundation pays the rate for transportation from the victim’s home to the center and pays for medical examinations performed at the Center. This service started in late 2020.

“I’m so excited to see this partnership benefit victims of domestic violence,” said Jan M. Bennetts, Ada County Prosecutor. “This service eliminates a barrier for domestic violence victims who need medical care and other resources available at Faces.”

“Having this alternative transportation response for domestic violence victims addresses not only the medical needs, but the safety needs of victims in our community,” said Chief Shawn Rayne, Ada County Paramedics.

“Our partnership with the Ada County paramedics is another great example of the wrap-around care and support provided to domestic violence victims in our community,” said Dinger. Through collaboration with our existing partners, along with our new partner, the Ada County Paramedics, Faces continues to provide hope to some of our most vulnerable victims of abuse.”

Faces of Hope provides help, hope, and healing to those experiencing abuse. Victims may call



for assistance at 208-577-4400 Monday-Friday or walk in at 417 S 6th St. Boise ID 83702; 8am-5pm.

Faces of Hope provides triage for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, elder abuse, and stalking. Through one door we provide wrap-around support services that include medical, educational, emotional, and legal support to victims of abuse. All of this support is provided at no cost to the victim.

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