

March 29, 2020

Dear Community Partner,

As you know we have been facing a hard time as a nation and most importantly, closer to home, in Northeastern PA. With the Coronavirus (COVID-19) changing on a daily basis and with numbers continuing to rise, we have been forced to cancel or postpone numerous events including our beloved pinwheel planting and ceremony at the Luzerne County Courthouse.

We have recently been challenged to review our plans to host our 6th Annual Moonlight Masquerade Gala at Mohegan Sun Pocono on Saturday, April 25th. Unfortunately, due to the uncertainty and due to the current "shelter in place", we have decided to cancel the Gala this year. Our hearts are heavy and we can only look forward to our future event dates at this time.

The two dates that we have scheduled currently are:

1. Whiskey, Cigar, and Purse Bingo

Irem Clubhouse - Dallas - June 6, 2020 – Doors open at 6:00PM

2. Harvest Festival

Silver Springs Ranch – Harveys Lake - October 3, 2020 – Gate opens at 12:00PM

We hope you will join us as we will still show our support virtually during the month of April to bring awareness to Child Abuse Prevention Month. If you have blue pinwheels, please place them in your yard to show your support for abused children. In 2019, the Luzerne County Child Advocacy Center assisted over 460 children and since our inception, we have assisted over 3,000 children and families. Physical and sexual abuse is very prevalent in our local community and we will continue to fight and support the children who have the courage to step forward to share their stories.

With Deepest Gratitude,

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