Dear Ally,

Sexual assault is pandemic in our culture, and as with any disease it must be met on many fronts. It has a devastating impact on survivors and our communities. Depression, anxiety, panic, isolation, self-hatred, unwanted pregnancy, sexually transmitted disease, HIV and AIDS, eating disorders, and post traumatic stress disorder are just some of the effects on survivors. The community costs include increased juvenile crime, alcohol and drug dependency, welfare dependency, and suicide.

Unfortunately, we are living in a dark time; not only do we face the ongoing presence of sexual violence, but the economic downturn has brought federal cutbacks which have trickled down to the state level, just as demands for services are rising.

For more than twenty-five years, the Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault (WCASA) has bolstered and supported women and men on the front lines of the sexual violence intervention and prevention movement. Brave, resilient victims need a safe and supportive point of access to information and services; the 46 sexual assault service providers we represent are an integral part of that pipeline, and their survival is vital not only to the recovery of individual victims but to the over-all community-wide response to sexual violence.

Please join us in ensuring that Wisconsin hears the voices of survivors: countless children, women and men who believe that all people deserve to be treated with respect and dignity. WCASA counts on contributions like yours to support our many programs; your donation is crucial in helping to end sexual violence.

Together, we can decrease the frequency of sexual assault, punish those that perpetrate, help victims become survivors, and increase our community’s awareness and capacity to respond.

Thank you for your time, and your support.

Sincerely,

Pennies Meyers
Interim Executive Director

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION!

The Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault creates the social change necessary to end sexual violence.