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Fashion Show Raises Funds for Oldest Domestic Violence Shelter in Orange County

March 27, 2017 – Last week, the Yorba Linda Chapter of the National Charity League awarded \$55,738.31 to the Women’s Transitional Living Center (WTLC), raised by its 22nd annual fashion show.

Each year the junior class of the Yorba Linda NCL chooses a local charity and puts on a fashion show in support of the organization. This year, the class of 2018 selected as recipients WTLC, the oldest domestic violence shelter in Orange County. Founded in 1976, WTLC has grown since its origins as an emergency shelter to incorporate numerous services for survivors of different types of violence. Its programs now include not only housing, but also counseling, legal advocacy, crisis intervention, and community education.

The National Charity League’s mission of empowering women to succeed as confident, well-rounded and socially aware contributors to society was on full display at their Light up the Runway event on February 26. Held at the Hyatt Regency Orange County, the event included a luncheon, a silent auction, and the much anticipated fashion show. The class of 2018 raised \$55,738.31 for WTLC, which was awarded to Executive Director Gigi Tsontos Thursday evening.

Tsontos expressed the organization’s gratitude for the generous gift, saying, “This support could not have come at a better time and will go to supporting our community based facility and mobile advocacy. These funds will ensure our success and move us toward ending the cycle. It’s been a pleasure getting to know the NCL moms and daughters this year and an honor to have their ongoing support.”

About WTLC

WTLC is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping individuals and families escape the depths of domestic violence and exploitation by providing the tools and resources to build self-esteem and empower people for independent living. If you or someone you know is the victim of abuse, contact our 24-hour bilingual hotline at (877) 531-5522 or love@wtlc.org. For more information about WTLC, visit: www.wtlc.org.

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