

February 10, 2025

Dear friends,

We are writing today with an important update about Brigid's House. A few months ago, we learned that we would not be able to renew a key federal grant that sustained our safehouse program. Despite the tireless efforts of our Executive Director, Board of Directors, and staff, we were pressed to make the difficult decision to close the safehouse as of January 31st.

As the providers of the first safehouse for survivors of trafficking in NH, this program was near and dear to our hearts. Over its two years of operation, our safehouse supported more than 15 survivors! Our intention is to use this experience to create an even better, stronger program in the future and continue to meet this critical need for survivors in our state.

Here is what we'd like you to know about Brigid's House moving forward:

- After collaborating with several local and national agencies to identify options, all of our safehouse residents have since moved into other housing placements. We are so grateful to these agencies for their support and partnership during this transitional time; from community mental health centers, to national anti-trafficking networks, to local moving companies, we could not have achieved this without you.
- 2. Brigid's House is still working! While the safehouse was central to our founding, our mission remains strong. Through our rental assistance program, we are currently supporting 5 survivors with stable housing and trauma-informed case management—and we are committed to continuing these services.

This transition marks not an end, but a new chapter. We are actively exploring sustainable ways to provide safe housing for survivors in NH and will continue working with partners, advocates, and supporters like you to build a stronger, more resilient future for those we serve.

Thank you all for your continued support! We cannot do this work without you.

With hope,

Dr. Miranda Lane

Audriana Mekula, JD

**Executive Director** 

Much L

**Board President** 

awar