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Colleges & Universities Called to Lend a Hand

The "Lend Me Your Hand" Annual 50 State Donation Campaign offers conscientious students enrolled in colleges and universities nationwide a meaningful internship or volunteer opportunity that will aid in to providing much needed resources, services and support to women and children in shelters across the United States. The campaign scheduled for December 2004, was established to serve as a conduit through which concerned individuals businesses, organizations and institutions of higher learning all over the country can uniquely serve the most vulnerable members of our society: survivors of domestic violence. All are called.

The "Lend Me Your Hand" core team consists of a group of concerned women who have dedicated themselves to this national call for action. The overall mission of the "Lend Me Your Hand" outreach effort is to coordinate leaders of the private, public and non-profit sectors to increase awareness of domestic violence prevention, facilitate multi-level sponsorship of critical resources for distribution to shelter residents across the U.S. this holiday season and to provide shelter residents with basic resources and a much needed sense of support.

The "Lend Me Your Hand" team seeks to heighten awareness of domestic violence prevention in this country as it delivers resources and support. Recent reports reveal that male partners physically assault nearly 2 million women every year. www.lifetimetv.com/community/olc/violence/facts_index.htm It is those 2 million battered women that inspired "Lend Me Your Hand" core team members to provide everyone within the scope of their reach with a meaningful way to "give back" this holiday season, combat the evils of domestic violence and let women in domestic violence shelters know that they are not alone.

There is great need for involvement at all levels. Hiyaah Power, Inc. has developed a unique internship and volunteer program that provides students enrolled colleges and universities across the country to become involved in a national program that will change lives. This is an opportunity for enrichment, education and experience while working with a non-profit organization. A college need only visit www.HiyaahPower.org to obtain detailed information about the

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internship and/or volunteer program. Schools are welcome to become involved immediately with a donation drive, strategic partnership, volunteer effort, etc.

"Lend Me Your Hand" strongly encourages all concerned colleges and universities to accept the invitation to participate in this very meaningful program. All efforts will assist "Lend Me Your Hand" in reaching out to displaced women and their children this holiday season. Contributions to "Lend Me Your Hand" are U.S. income tax deductible due to Lend Me Your Hand's tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

For more information about internships and volunteer opportunities with the "Lend Me Your Hand" program please email LMYH@hiyaahpower.org or call 888.801.2313.

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