

Pacific Life Foundation presents \$10,000 grant to Human Options

Human Options, a nonprofit dedicated to breaking the cycle of domestic violence, was presented a \$10,000 grant from Newport Beach-based Pacific Life Foundation. The grant will support the organization's core services and programs, which includes crisis counseling, referrals, residential and education programs. The Pacific Life Foundation has been assisting the nonprofit through grants and volunteer efforts for more than 14 years.

"We're honored to stand together with Pacific Life Foundation in our ongoing and collective mission to prevent – and ultimately end – domestic violence in California," said Maricela Rios-Faust, CEO of Human Options. "Their commitment to the safety of victims and survivors is critical to supporting our vital services and programs, which help individuals heal from the physical and emotional trauma of domestic violence."



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Human Options staff, volunteers and board member Doug Jackson and his wife, Sandi (front left), pose with volunteers from Pacific Life Foundation during a parent and teen conference as part of Human Options' "Love Shouldn't Hurt" campaign to raise awareness on teen dating violence

The grant will fund the nonprofit's 24-hour bilingual hotline, crisis counseling, residential programs and community-based intervention and education programs. These programs provide safety, healing, education and a way forward for those affected by domestic violence. The overall goal of these core services and programs is to provide the tools and education necessary to increase awareness, prevent abuse and make Orange County a healthier place to live.

Human Options is leading the way to end domestic violence, reaching more than 20,000 community members who received education through their prevention programs. More than 500 individuals found a safe home at their emergency shelter and their teams have responded to more than 6,500 callers that contacted them for immediate crisis support, information and referrals through their 24-Hour hotline.

For more information about Human Options, visit www.humanoptions.org.