

Heart of the Community Award

is presented to

Joyful Heart Foundation

The Joyful Heart Foundation has advocated for the voiceless for many years. Since 2004, the Joyful Heart Foundation has been a leading national organization with a mission to transform society's response to sexual assault, domestic violence, and child abuse, support survivors' healing, and end this violence forever. One of its major efforts involves the hidden scandal of society's response to sexual abuse. Joyful Heart has identified more than 225,000 untested rape kits sitting in police, crime labs, or other storage facilities across the country, with several states that have yet to count the untested rape kits in their possession! They advocate ceaselessly for local authorities to remedy this outrage.

Jaspán Schlesinger LLP vigorously supports the work of the Joyful Heart Foundation and has provided pro bono legal representation for the organization in years past so that their mission may be furthered.



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