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"Steps to a New Life" A Safe Passage Event

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Beverly Hills, CA

Safe Passage's 13th Anniversary Fundraiser
The Montage Beverly Hills, 225 North Canon Drive
February 23rd 11am-2pm

When **President Obama** commended **Safe Passage** for their devotion to service and for doing what they can "to shape a better tomorrow for our great Nation", founder Trish Steele accepted the President's Volunteer Service Award of 2012 and turned towards the next opportunity to help victims of domestic violence. **The Safe Passage 13th Anniversary Fundraiser, "Steps to a New Life"** brings celebrities, supporters and sponsors together to promote the program that transforms the lives of hundreds of women and children by helping them break the cycle of domestic violence.

City Controller and **Mayoral Candidate Wendy Greuel**, a long time supporter of Safe Passage, will be awarding honorees such as **Dr. David and Deborah Alessi Founders of Face Forward**, celebrity hair stylist **Kim Vo**, **Bruce Vafa DDS**, and **Rafi Anteby of Bullets 4 Peace**, all who work to repair the signs of physical trauma and the dignity of survivors. **CBS2 News Anchor Pat Harvey** will host the event with support from moving testimonials by women who've blossomed in our care and volunteers.

"Steps to a New Life" is being held in the heart of Beverly Hills. The event begins with Red Carpet Arrivals and a Reception at 11am. Recording artists **Diamond White** from the **X Factor** and **Lady Szylvia** will provide a special performance. There will be a Live & Silent Auction with autographed shoes donated by long time supporter **Jessica Simpson** and two signed CDs from domestic violence advocate and RCA recording artist **Christina Aguilera**.

Also attending will be **Actress Kelly LeBrock** who first gained fame from the movies *The Woman in Red* and *Weird Science*. LeBrock is a philanthropist who dedicates her time in fundraising and improving lives for the homeless, the terminally ill and abused women & children. Philanthropist and recording artist **Christina Fulton** who is **Ambassador to Casa Teresa** and the founder of **The Single Mom Foundation** is a proud new supporter of Safe Passage. She will attend with her son, recording artist **Weston Coppola-Cage**, leader of the melodic-metal band **Allone** and son of actor Nicolas Cage.

Celebrity jeweler **Mike Raven** has donated a custom hand craft pendent created exclusively for this event. Other sponsors include **CBS/KCAL9**, **Obagi Medical**, **William M. Dorfman, DDS**, **John Wurts**, **AH! Media Solutions** and **Author Susan Sengezer** who is donating 50% of the proceeds from her latest book, *Journey to my Father's Palace to Safe Passage*.

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Since its founding in 2000, Safe Passage has transformed the lives of women and children helping them break the cycle of domestic violence. The Safe Passage program has a **95% proven track record** of helping survivors of domestic violence find their way to a stable job, new home, and a healthy family. **More than 1500 women and children** have come to Safe Passage for support, as our offices receive approximately 60 calls per month from survivors.

This organization has received recognition certificates from **President Obama, Mayor Villaraigosa, City Controller Wendy Greuel and Councilman Dennis Zine**. Safe Passage is a 501(c)3 charity. Donations are tax deductible.

General Admission to this Charity event is \$125. Corporate and Individual Sponsorship packages range from \$1,250 to \$5,000.

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