



**PRESS RELEASE**

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***Sunrise of Pasco – Domestic & Sexual  
Violence Center  
Will be Pasco Tax Collector’s September  
Charity of the Month***

Pasco County **Tax Collector Mike Fasano’s** five offices will be collecting donations in September to assist *Sunrise of Pasco County’s Domestic & Sexual Violence Center*. The mission of *Sunrise of Pasco County’s Domestic & Sexual Violence Center* is to prevent domestic and sexual violence before it ever happens. If it does,

*Sunrise* is dedicated to assisting victims to escape those conditions and find safety and freedom in the community. In 2019 alone over 13,600 individual shelter stays (overnights) were provided in Pasco County.

“The impact domestic and sexual violence has on a family is tragic and the hurt caused to children living in a violent home can leave lasting trauma,” comments **Kelly Sinn**, **CEO** of *Sunrise of Pasco County’s Domestic & Sexual Violence Center*. “With the help of **Senator Fasano**, the *Tax Collector’s Office* and members of our community, *Sunrise* is able to provide safety and give hope to those most vulnerable - our children.”

“Once primarily thought of as an East Pasco program, *Sunrise* has expanded to provide services all across Pasco County,” remarks **Tax Collector Mike Fasano**. “Going back to my tenure as a legislator, I have been continually impressed with the compassion *Sunrise* staff and volunteers demonstrate to some of the most vulnerable women and their children each and every day. It is humbling to know that the *Pasco County Tax Collector’s Office* is going to have this opportunity to help an organization that, since 1982, has helped so many women and children live their lives without the fear of violence and intimidation.”

*Sunrise* is seeking donations specifically to increase the funding for its children's programs, including school supplies, meals and recreational activities for kids in the shelter or outreach programs. Cash donations can be made at any of the five tax collector locations in Pasco County. For more information about the charitable giving program at the *Pasco County Tax Collector's Office* please contact **Assistant Tax Collector Greg Giordano** at 727-847-8179 or visit [www.pascotaxes.com](http://www.pascotaxes.com) For more information about services provided at *Sunrise* please contact **Vicki Wiggins, Director of Development** via email at [vwiggins@sunrisepasco.org](mailto:vwiggins@sunrisepasco.org). Donations may also be mailed to the tax collector's office at the following address: **Tax Collector Mike Fasano**, P.O. Box 276, Dade City, FL 33526. Please note on your check's memo line "Sunrise."

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