## Événement Lilas Lilac Event



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Dear friend,

I have been a supporter of Shield of Athena Family Services (SOAFS) for many years and was one of the founders of our shelter, Athena's House, in 2004. With our Board, we are asking for your support and presence at the Lilac Event, celebrating 32 years of community involvement by our fabulous organization, the Shield of Athena.

The event will take place on November 17, 2023, at the Palace Convention Center in Laval.

Inspired by decades of continuous service to the community and our many milestones, this is a landmark year as we will also be opening our Second Step Resource for women and children in Laval, a project 13 years in the making!

In addition to wonderful food and entertainment, you will also enjoy an Art Auction where guests will have the opportunity to bid on a variety of paintings from local and international artists.

An impressive souvenir book will be distributed to the hundreds of guests present as well as online, so as to commemorate our event. I ask that you look at the form that we have attached and choose one of the many sponsorship or advertisement opportunities that are available. As a valued supporter and in appreciation of your generous contribution, you will receive certain benefits, such as great visibility for your business, before, after, and during the event.

From its grassroots beginnings in 1991, the Shield has now expanded its network of multilingual services to include 2 centers and an emergency shelter home, Athena's House. The SOAFS offers support and intervention in over 17 languages to 1100 women and children annually at the centers, and provides free housing to many more at the Shelter. Thousands of people are also reached through the information sessions, publications, videos, and media programs offered through its multilingual community outreach department.

I thank all of our longstanding friends in advance and look forward to meeting new supporters at our 32nd year Celebration.

I am certain that you will have a wonderful time in support of a very worthy cause!

Please call us at 514-274-8117 if you have any questions regarding the Shield or our upcoming event.

Sincerely,

**Chris Ann Nakis** 

President, Shield of Athena Family Services

