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**Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter hosts 24th annual Turning Points Fundraising Gala,
"Take A Stand Against Family Violence and Abuse"**

Calgary, AB: The Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter hosts the 24th annual **Turning Points Fundraising Gala, "Take A Stand Against Family Violence and Abuse"** on **Thursday, April 26, 2018** at the **Calgary TELUS Convention Centre**.

Turning Points, Take A Stand Against Family Violence and Abuse will celebrate the courageous individuals and families in our community striving to live free from family violence and abuse, as well as commemorate the important work of the agency. This social event and charity fundraiser, emceed by Dave Kelly, will feature an elegant evening with dinner, silent and live auctions, fun raffles and inspiring stories. **Tables of 8 are \$2400 and individual tickets are \$300. Purchase tickets online at www.calgarywomensshelter.com or call: (403) 290-1552 ext. 410.**

"Family violence and abuse continues to be an issue in our city. It crosses all neighbourhoods, age groups, religions, ethnicities and economic backgrounds," says Kim Ruse, Executive Director of the Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter, "All proceeds from the Turning Points Gala will fund our programs which provide much needed support, services and information aimed at ending family violence and abuse in our community."

The Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter is on the front lines to provide hope and support to vulnerable members of our community, playing an important role in the daily lives of women, children, youth and men striving to build safer lives and healthy relationships.

Turning Points 2018 sponsors and supporters include: *Platinum:* Cardel Lifestyles, Logel Homes and Norris Family Foundation – Shelly and Alan Norris; *Gold:* Borger Group of Companies, Homes by Avi, Qualico and Royal LePage Solutions; *Silver:* Brookfield Residential, Calgary Sun, GDI Integrated Facility Services; *Bronze:* A-1 Cement, Artisan Homes, Boyden, Classic Kitchens and Cabinets, Contempa Carpet Company, Crystal Waters Plumbing, Emerson Clarke Printing, Giusti Group of Companies, Hoover Mechanical, Igloo Building Supplies, Keyera, McLeod Law LLP, Melcor, Mercedes-Benz Downtown Calgary, New Interiors, NexusV, Pekarsky & Co., Peter The Plantman, Ply Gem Building Products, Rogers & Company, Saunders Landscaping, Silverhill Acura and Werklund Foundation; *Event Partners:* brooks and dodd consulting inc., Evolutions Audio Visual, Dave Kelly, Kelly Brothers Productions and Orange Frog Productions.

Honorary Patron: Bill Borger, President and CEO, Borger Group of Companies

Turning Points Co-Chairs: Sherri Logel and Shelly Norris

ABOUT THE CALGARY WOMEN'S EMERGENCY SHELTER

The Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter is focused on ending family violence and abuse in the lives of women, children, youth and men. "Taking a Stand Against Family Violence" in the community since 1974, the agency has helped close to 200,000 Calgarians build safe lives and healthy relationships. Although the Emergency Shelter is the cornerstone of the organization, it is "More than a Shelter", providing a number of innovative safety, healing and prevention programs. For more information: www.calgarywomensshelter.com.

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