# *Mary Kay Foundation Awards Shelton Domestic Violence Center $20,000*

**Local News**

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Shelton, WA (October 9, 2012) Turning Pointe Domestic Violence Services, the local women’s shelter serving Mason County, received a $20,000 grant from The Mary Kay Foundation. In observation of Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October, The Mary Kay Foundation awards $20,000 grants to more than 150 domestic violence shelters across the country for a total of $3 million.

We are so grateful to The Mary Kay Foundation for their continued support and we look forward to partnering with them once again to provide much needed services to those living and working in Mason County. Turning Pointe will use the grant funds awarded to provide critical operations support to maintain our 54 bed emergency shelter located in Shelton. The shelter provides safety, basic needs and other vital services to women, children and their pets, said Executive Director, Cheryl Cathcart.Located in Shelton, WA Turing Pointe provides services 24/7 to all of Mason County. We work hard to help build awareness of the devastating impact domestic and sexual violence has on families and the community. Our services are free of charge and confidential; everyone has the right to be safe from threats and violence, but YOU must take the first step. Please know that it is NOT YOUR FAULT and that it is possible to change your situation, seek the help you need.

“The Mary Kay Foundation is committed to breaking the cycle of domestic violence.” said Anne Crew, Mary Kay Inc. Vice President of Government Relations and board member for The Mary Kay Foundation. “Through our grants, we honor and support shelter across the country that are having a profound impact for women and children in their communities. Since 2000, we have granted $31 million to help domestic violence shelter meet their critical needs and support their ongoing community efforts.” **About The Mary Kay Foundation**

The Mary Kay Foundation was created in 1996, and its mission is two-fold: to fund research of cancers affecting women and to help prevent domestic violence while raising awareness of the issue. Since the Foundation’s inception, it has awarded nearly $31 million to shelters and programs addressing domestic violence prevention and more than $18 million to cancer researchers and related causes throughout the United States. To learn more about The Mary Kay Foundation, visit marykayfoundation.org or call 1-877-MKCARES (652-2737). **About Turning Pointe Domestic Violence Services**

Turning Pointe Domestic Violence Services is one of the largest crisis shelters in Washington State, providing a minimum of 54 beds to survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault/abuse, their children and their pets. We are dedicated to leading a diverse, coordinated community partnership to end domestic and sexual violence in Mason County. To learn more about Turning Pointe, visit turningpointe.org or call 360-426-1216.