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Barrier Free Living Receives Most Innovative Services Purple Ribbon Award

\$30,000 in Grants to be Revealed Live on Sept. 21

August 22, 2022 – <u>Barrier Free Living</u> (BFL) received a 2022 Purple Ribbon Award from DomesticShelters.org for Innovative Services at its programs for survivors of domestic violence with disabilities.

Cynthia Amodeo, BFL's Chief Program Officer says, "We are thrilled to be recognized by other domestic violence advocates for our innovative work. BFL's domestic violence crisis shelter, Freedom House, has been called home to adults, adolescents, and children with disabilities and those who are D/deaf who are seeking safety. We look forward to continuing our journey to provide fully accessible and safe shelter spaces for all."

The winners across 28 categories were judged by a national panel of professionals from the domestic violence field. The Purple Ribbon Awards are the first comprehensive awards program honoring the countless heroes of the domestic violence movement, including advocates, programs, shelters, survivors and members of the community support system. Winners include entries from the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.

\$30,000 worth of grants will be awarded to stand-out Purple Ribbon Award recipients during a virtual celebration of all winners on September 21, 2022.

Registration to attend the Purple Ribbon Awards Celebration is now open.

Each Purple Ribbon Awards nominated entry was scored based Challenge & Impact (the scope of the challenge faced and overcome), Creativity & Originality (the inventiveness of the nominee in their endeavor), Submission Excellence (the caliber of the materials accompanying the entry) and Overall (the overall performance of the entry relative to other entries).

Learn more about the <u>Purple Ribbon Awards</u> and how to get involved.