

# RECORD BREAKING FUNDRAISING FOR THE 19TH ANNUAL ALPERT JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE “NO EXCUSE FOR ABUSE” EVENING

*More Than \$566,000 Was Raised to Support the Agency’s Commitment to Domestic Abuse Prevention and Mental Health Services*

WEST PALM BEACH, FL, UNITED STATES, February 16, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service](#) (Alpert JFS) hosted the agency’s 19th Annual “No Excuse for Abuse” Evening on Sunday, February 5, 2023, at The Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts in West Palm Beach. The event, which was attended by nearly 400 people, supports the organization’s ongoing commitment to breaking the stigmas of abuse and mental illness, addiction, and suicide, through awareness, education, and treatment. Raising more than \$566,000, this year’s event surpassed the fundraising for any previous event in the agency’s history.



Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service



Zelda Mason, Ellen Levin, Marc Hopin

This year’s keynote speaker was Mariel Hemingway, an Academy Award-nominated actor, mental health advocate, and author. Hemingway, who is also the granddaughter of Nobel Prize-winning author Ernest Hemingway, shared her personal story of overcoming the legacy of mental illness, addiction, and suicide in one of America’s most famous families. Hemingway has also written a book on the topic, titled “Out Came the Sun: Overcoming the Legacy of Mental Illness, Addiction, and Suicide in My Family.”

Co-chairs of the No Excuse for Abuse Evening were Cindy and Dr. Allan Schlossberg, Wendy and Geoff Stahl, and Dr. Paula Newmark and Joel Yudenfreund. Jennifer and Gary Lesser were recognized during the event with the inaugural Alpert JFS Luminary Award in recognition of their philanthropy, leadership, and dedication to Alpert JFS.



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Groups, and more that provide professional counseling for those in need.”

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