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BRUNSWICK COUNTY DEMOCRATIC WOMEN RAISE FUNDS FOR HOPE HARBOR HOME

The Brunswick County Democratic Women (BCDW), a caucus group of the Brunswick County Democratic Party, recently held their semi-annual "Independence Day" fundraiser for Hope Harbor Home. <u>Hope Harbor Home</u> is the only domestic violence shelter for women and their children in Brunswick County. Its many programs promote nonviolence in our communities, provide legal advocacy, and supply local social services for clients.

The BCDW raised \$950 for Hope Harbor Home and voted to earmark the funds for muchneeded client legal fees. In the last six months, Hope Harbor Home provided services for 190 clients, including the issuance of 140 restraining orders. BCDW Co-Chair, Denise Donnelly, was happy to present Hope Harbor Home Director Carmen Smith-Custer with the group's donation on July 20.

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Hope Harbor Home Director, Carmen Smith-Custer (l.) accepts the Brunswick County Democratic Women donation from BCDW Co-Chair, Denise Donnelly.

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