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Hello!

I am writing to inquire about an awareness building fundraiser that the Women's Resource Center would like to host on Sunday, October 21, 2018.

The Women's Resource Center of Racine would like to begin a new tradition in Racine by hosting the first annual Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event on Sunday, October 21, 2018 along the Lake Michigan Pathway. Men may choose to walk in high heels, or not. Since October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month we thought that this would be the perfect time to host this event. As this is our first attempt at this walk we do not anticipate a large crowd 50-100 walkers. Our main goal is to raise awareness.

We would like to set up starting at 10am and have the walk begin 1pm ending by 4pm with clean up complete by 6pm.

Each year, an ever-increasing number of men, women and their families are joining the award-winning Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®: The International Men's March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence. A Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® Event is a playful opportunity for men to raise awareness in their community about the serious causes, effects and remediation to men's sexualized violence against women.

There is an old saying: "You can't really understand another person's experience until you've walked a mile in their shoes." Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® asks men to literally walk one mile in women's high-heeled shoes. It's not easy walking in these shoes, but it's fun and it gets the community to talk about something that's really difficult to talk about: gender relations and men's sexualized violence against women.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Peace,

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