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8-Year-Old Girl from Phillipsburg Raises Money for Survivors of Domestic & Sexual Violence



Mackenzie Mravlag, 8, (left) ran a lemonade stand outside her home to raise funds for the Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Warren County this past weekend. She is joined by Phillipsburg Council Vice President, Robert Fulper (right).

WASHINGTON, NJ – August 9, 2021 – These Warren County kids are dedicated to giving back! In just two days, 8-year-old Mackenzie Mravlag raised almost \$1,000 for the [Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Warren County \(DASACC\)](#).

With the help of her older brother, Tyler, younger sister, Bianca, parents, and friends, Mackenzie set up a lemonade stand outside her home this past weekend. The children sold a variety of treats including lemonade, iced tea, and snacks, and donated all proceeds to DASACC.

"Mackenzie came up with an idea to host a lemonade stand to donate to a shelter", shared Mackenzie's mother, Jessica Mravlag. "After research, and past personal experiences, my husband and I chose DASACC to donate to."

This isn't the first time that the Mravlag children set out to raise money for a good cause. In January of 2019, Mackenzie started a hot chocolate and cookie stand to help pay the bills from her dad's emergency surgery after he suffered from a ruptured brain aneurysm. Later that summer, the kids were back at it again, running a lemonade and popcorn stand, and donating all proceeds to [The Brain Aneurysm Foundation](#).

"We are so very grateful for the efforts and commitment of Mackenzie and all those that donated because there are so many families in Warren County struggling through this pandemic and the impact of interpersonal violence. These dollars are so important to the families because it provides food, clothing, and other essential day-to-day needs," said DASACC Executive Director, Jill Zinckgraf.



Signs from the lemonade stand outside of the Mravlag household this past weekend.

The mission of DASACC is to help, serve, and advocate for those impacted by interpersonal violence, to be proactive regarding its prevention, and to create positive change. DASACC provides free and confidential services to all who identify themselves as victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault. In 2020, over 1,000 women, men, and children received services at DASACC.

If you or someone you know is being hurt, DASACC can help. Call their 24/7 hotline at 908-453-4181.

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