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### **Church's Chicken® Lends Support to Texas-based Women's Shelter**

*Restaurant Provided Hot Meals and Clothes to Genesis Women's Shelter & Support Residents and Staff*

**DALLAS, TX—**(September 27, 2017) — One in three Texas women will know domestic violence in their lifetime, but [Genesis Women's Shelter & Support](#) is on a mission to help remedy that. In an ongoing effort to give back to the communities it serves, team members of a local [Church's Chicken®](#) and attendees of the brand's annual *Excellence in Leadership Conference* recently visited the women's shelter to show support and hand out hot meals. On Friday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, *Church's*® provided Family Meals to more than 100 people at the Genesis shelter – both residents (women and children escaping domestic violence) and staff members.

"It's truly a privilege to be able to positively impact our communities beyond chicken and beyond what is expected of us," said [Felicia White](#), Director of National Field Training for *Church's*. "Our team was just as grateful to have the opportunity to serve as those who were served!"

In addition to its efforts on Friday, *Church's* collected donations of gently worn clothing during its annual *Excellence in Leadership Conference* at the Hilton Anatole last week, and will continue to do so from its headquarters in Atlanta. The clothes will be sold at the Genesis Benefit Thrift Store, with all proceeds going toward ensuring that Genesis clients can continue to receive life-saving services at no cost. During the conference, *attendees* also prepared care packages for moms, babies and families.

"Because of amazing donors, volunteers and organizations like *Church's Chicken*, we are able to provide life-changing services to more than 1,300 women and children experiencing domestic violence each year," said [Jan Langbein](#), CEO of Genesis Women's Shelter. "*Church's* went above and beyond – in addition to collecting contributions and care packages, team members personally gave their time to serve the women and children who live in our shelter. We applaud the *Church's Chicken* team and the entire organization for taking a zero-tolerance stance against domestic violence."

Last week, *Church's* also presented to Jan Langbein a check for \$5,000 to Genesis during the brand's annual leadership conference.

"We hope this marks the beginning of a lasting relationship with the shelter and furthers our efforts in building strong ties within our community," said White.

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If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, call Genesis' 24-hour hotline at 214.946.HELP or visit [GenesisShelter.org](http://GenesisShelter.org) for more information.

**About Church's Chicken®**

Founded in San Antonio, TX in 1952 by George W. Church, *Church's Chicken*, along with its sister brand *Texas Chicken*® outside of the Americas, is one of the largest quick service chicken restaurant chains in the world. The brands specialize in Original and Spicy Chicken freshly prepared throughout the day in small batches that are hand-battered and double-breaded, *Tender Strips*®, honey-butter biscuits made from scratch and freshly baked, and classic, home-style sides all for a great value. *Church's Chicken* and *Texas Chicken* have more than 1,600 locations in 27 countries and global markets and system-wide sales of more than \$1 billion. For more information, visit [www.churchs.com](http://www.churchs.com). Follow *Church's* on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/churchschicken](http://www.facebook.com/churchschicken) and Twitter at [www.twitter.com/churchschicken](http://www.twitter.com/churchschicken).

**About Genesis Women's Shelter & Support**

Since opening its doors in 1985, Genesis Women's Shelter & Support has provided safety, shelter and expert counseling services to women and children who have experienced domestic violence. Genesis is committed to removing every roadblock a woman might face on her journey to the abuse-free life she deserves. These life-changing include an emergency shelter, long-term housing, an award-winning onsite, K-12 school, daycare, access to legal representation and cutting-edge therapeutics. Genesis served nearly 1300 women and children in 2016, and relies on the generous support of the Dallas community to continue providing these services at no cost to clients. For more information visit [www.genesisshelter.org](http://www.genesisshelter.org).

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