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Sunrise Shelter Donations Accepted at Cooper Financial Services

Land O'Lakes, FL. Christine B. Cooper, owner of Cooper Financial Services in Land O'Lakes, announces that Cooper Financial will again this year be accepting donations for Sunrise of Pasco County. "Their domestic violence and sexual assault center is in need of all kinds of items," said Cooper. "When we did this last year at holiday time, the community responded wonderfully and we managed to fill up an entire office with donated goods." She said that items the shelter could use include cosmetics of all kinds, soaps and lotions, foil and zip lock bags, towels, underwear, pajamas for women and children, bed comforters, phone cards, paint for bedrooms, area rugs, and light bulbs. Cooper also said that financial donations would also be accepted from anyone who would like to stop at the Cooper Financial offices and fill out a gift card. Potential donors can call Cooper Financial at 813-996-6100 with questions. Donations will be accepted from 9 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday, beginning on December 1 and ending at noon on December 18.

"Violence against women is a serious and pervasive problem in our community and our country," said Cooper. Information provided by Sunrise indicates that every day, women are beaten and killed by the men who claim to love them. The Bureau of Justice reports that, in 2007, husbands and boyfriends murdered more than four women a day on average in this country. Pasco County law enforcement reports over 9,000 domestic violence crimes in our community in 2008 and 3 identified domestic violence murders. As of October 1, 2009, Pasco County had already met last year's total for domestic violence murders.

Chris Cooper owns and operates Cooper Financial Services, an independent financial services practice with offices at 5420 Land O'Lakes Blvd in Land O'Lakes. Cooper Financial was named Pasco County Service Business of the Year in 2009 and Cooper was named Tampa Bay Woman of the Year in Financial Services. She has been helping people with their insurance, investment, and financial planning needs in the Tampa Bay area for 16 years. Further information including directions is available at www.cooper-financial.com. Sunrise of Pasco County, Inc. (Sunrise) is a full-service domestic violence and sexual assault center providing a safe place for victims to heal and to plan their future. Further information on Sunrise is available at www.sunrisepasco.org.