

Citizen Volunteer Award Recipient
Linda Kautzky

With over two decades of life-changing volunteer experience, Lakeview Bank's 2021 citizen volunteer Legacy Award recipient has assisted countless women and children separate themselves from dangerous relationships and environments.

Linda Kautzky's history of school, extra-curricular and church volunteer positions paved the way to finding an organization whose mission deeply affected her. Contributing time and energy to 360 Communities makes it possible for Linda to directly support women in crisis to find safety and rebuild their lives without fear.

Initially, Linda helped women at the Lewis House with resume writing and was a support group facilitator. In her words, "It was an honor to offer a safe place for these women to meet, confidentially "unpack" their heavy burden, and offer information to help them reach their goal of a healthy life free from violence."

In the past two years, Linda shifted into the role of a volunteer court advocate. She now provides emotional support in the court room as women seek legal protection from their abusers. She states, "I am humbled to walk with them on this relatively brief, but intensely emotional, part of their journey to safety."

Realizing the struggles of these women, Linda provides clients with the respect and dignity that's absent from their lives. With a calming demeanor, she instills a sense of trust, confidence, kindness and patience.

Surrounded by her family's strong support, Linda selflessly helps others to reach a place of comfort and joy. It's through volunteer work that she receives so much in return. Being a witness to the women's incredible courage and strength in the face of adversity fills Linda with the perseverance needed for difficult times.

She is forever grateful for their inspiration in her life.

Thank you, Linda, for the people that you protect. Lakeview Bank is proud to continue the strong tradition of recognizing the outstanding volunteers in our community!