

HELPING FAMILIES FOR OVER 38 YEARS!

Thanks to SAAFE House for sponsoring the December Chamber Small Business Breakfast. Community Relations Director Tammy Farkas shared, “**SAAFE House** was initially organized as the Walker County Family Violence Council to provide services for residential (emergency shelter) or outreach (non-residential) victims of family violence. In 1988 a sexual assault program was added to the list of available services. To reflect the expanded services available more accurately to the community, the organization's name was changed the following year to **SAAFE House**, which stands for “**S**exual **A**ssault and **A**buse **F**ree **E**nvironment.” SAAFE House currently operates in 4 counties, Polk (shelter), San Jacinto, Trinity, and Walker (shelter).

SAAFE House provides services to Adults & Children, Male & Female, that have experienced Domestic Violence (verbal, emotional, or psychological) and/or Sexual Assault (stranger & non-stranger assault, intimate partner assault, molestation, incest). Regardless of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or age. **SAAFE House** is committed to providing awareness, education, and prevention in an effort to increase the safety and health of the community by eliminating the causes of domestic and sexual violence.

SAAFE House could not survive without the manpower of our volunteers. Some volunteers choose to come on a scheduled weekly basis, while others desire to volunteer on an as-needed basis, or "on call". There isn't a position at **SAAFE House** that you cannot volunteer in with the correct training.

SAAFE Shoppe is located next to our main office in Huntsville, on the corner of Sam Houston Ave. & 15th Street. **SAAFE Shoppe** proceeds help make ends meet for the things that we don't have other funding for. These can include but are not limited to prescription medicine, transportation, school supplies, groceries, and utilities for our shelter. Each purchase you make at **SAAFE Shoppe** benefits **SAAFE House** and our clients. Donations of gently used items are accepted Tuesday thru Thursday 10 AM to 4 PM. For large items or furniture please give us a call at 936-291-3135.

If you or someone you know is in need of the services **SAAFE House** provides we have Appointments or Walk-Ins available Monday through Friday 9:00-5:00 and our 24-Hour Hotlines: 936-291-3369 and 936-327-2513. You may also visit our website at safehouse.org or email us at crd@saafehouse.org