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Memorandum

To: Mayor & Council
From: David Reynolds
Re: Council Workshop: Update from Advocate Safehouse
Date: 11/19/24

Purpose:

The purpose of this workshop discussion is to allow time for Betty Lucas, the Executive Director for the Advocate Safehouse Project, to update the Town Council on the work that her organization does on behalf of residents of New Castle and the greater Colorado Valley Region.

The Advocate Safehouse Project in Glenwood Springs is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting individuals experiencing crises specifically related to domestic violence and sexual assault across Garfield County, including New Castle. They provide 24-hour crisis intervention, emergency shelter, outreach services, and ongoing counseling to help survivors find safety and rebuild their lives. Their work is crucial in offering a secure environment, resources, and advocacy for New Castle residents impacted by these specific types of traumas. As a supporter of Advocate Safehouse, New Castle's Town Council has granted charitable grants to the organization for several years.