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Dear Sir or Madam,

The suicide of fashion designer Kate Spade, who died at age 55, and the death of celebrity chef Anthony Bourdain, are capturing headlines and making people wonder if certain groups, such as middle-aged men and women, may be more at risk. They are. Only half of the people who died by suicide had diagnosed mental health conditions. Suicide rates are up by 30 percent across the nation from 1999 to 2016. And only about half the people who died by suicide had a known mental health condition, even though depression had been thought to be the major cause of suicide, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said (June 8th, 2018).

Beginning with Columbine in 1999, more than 187,000 students attending at least 193 primary or secondary schools have experienced a shooting on campus during school hours, according to a year-long Washington Post analysis.

Across our country, correctional facilities are struggling with the reality that they have become the nation's de facto mental health care providers, although they are hopelessly ill-equipped for the job. They are now contending with tens of thousands of people with mental illness who, by some counts, make up as much as half of their populations.

Daily on our television screens and on social media, we see the tragic failure of our government to provide access to mental health services. Particularly, in communities of color, we witness the use of deadly police force on men and women of color; young African American males use gun violence to resolve minor differences; the alarming increase of murder-suicide particularly against women of color; the increasing suicide rate of our children and youth; cities are near bankruptcy from the opioid crisis.

Hosanna Ministries Inc. since 1984, has provided outpatient mental health services to traumatized children, youth, veterans, adults, and families. We currently provide outpatient school-based, home-based, in-office, prison, court, and mobile trauma-focused mental health services in urban, rural, and suburban communities across the 13 Metro Atlanta Counties. Our 10-year vision is to provide residential and day treatment programs in communities we serve.

Our five-year capital campaign strategic plan is designed to raise \$40,000,000. We have identified a 40-acre parcel of land in Rockdale County, Georgia, to 1), build a soccer field, a baseball field, a gym, a volley ball court, and an oval walking track; 2), build several buildings to accommodate our outpatient and inpatient services including a long term residential program for children, youth, veterans, and adults with serious mental health issues who pose significant risks to their families and communities (the entire state of Georgia currently has zero); 3), Partial Day treatment programs for children, youth, and adults; 4), Transitional apartment Housing for youths, veterans, and victims of domestic violence;

5), create an Endowment to support current and future programs; 6), erect a 1200 seat Oasis Worship Center; and 7), we began discussion with Rockdale County School District to purchase a 67,000 sf school building slated to close by 2021 as our job training site with partnerships from the school district, religious institutions, corporations, and a Community College.

Here are the ways you can Help:

Make a donation online at [www.Family360Center.com](http://www.Family360Center.com) or [www.HosannaMinistriesInc.org](http://www.HosannaMinistriesInc.org)

- Call us at 770-679-0586
- Send a check (no cash by mail, please!)
- Opportunities for Naming, Recognition, and Benefits when a company or religious institution sponsors one of our programs
- Skills-Based and Professional Development opportunities from your organization
- Annual Events/Sponsorships
- Corporate, Sports, and Religious in-kind, asset, or financial giving

Without the support of generous donors like you, we will continue to witness daily the trauma of children and families because there is no urgency from our governments to address this mental health crisis. Your tax-deductible donation will help us effectively mitigate this crisis.

Every donation, no matter what size, is greatly appreciated and will be put to excellent use.

Thank you for your consideration and continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Desmond Maul", written in a cursive style.

Rev. Dr. Desmond Maul  
Chair, Capital Campaign Chair