



A Domestic Violence Agency

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Halfacre Construction Company
7015 Professional Parkway East
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To Whom it May Concern:

HOPE Family Services (HOPE) entered into a contract with Halfacre Construction Company to build a new facility for our organization after an exhaustive Request for Proposal (RFP) process. As we near completion of the facility, it is with great enthusiasm that I submit this letter of support.

During the pre-construction phase of the project, the Halfacre team worked in tandem with HOPE's architect to 'value engineer' the original project design in order to not only improve the functionality but also save HOPE valuable dollars. The Halfacre team remained mindful of HOPE's need to avoid wasting precious resources during the construction phase when they suggested certain construction methods could be altered in order to save money. The suggestions were always thoroughly explained and crafted to ensure the integrity and quality of the project would remain true.

Their team has been a pleasure to work with from the first meetings wherein a budget was constructed to the (now) semi weekly meetings with both the Project Manager and the site superintendent. As a not for profit organization in Manatee County, guaranteeing sound stewardship of donor dollars while building a state of art facility for Manatee County's victims of domestic violence, was made 'do-able' thanks to the hard work and constant communication between the staff members of Halfacre Construction Company and our Office.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Laurel Lynch".

Laurel A. Lynch, MBA
Executive Director



A United Way Member Agency



The Mission of HOPE Family Services, Inc. is to promote strength, safety, and well-being for those affected by domestic violence in Manatee County