

Meanwhile, Mary's Shelter golf tournament raises \$38,000 to help homeless pregnant women.

More Than \$38,000 Raised

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Mary's Shelter of the Treasure Coast hosted its annual golf tournament in December to bring the community together and raise money to help the homeless, pregnant women who receive assistance from the organization. The event raised more than \$38,000 that will be used to provide expectant mothers living at Mary's Shelter with the educational tools and guidance they need to get their lives on the right path.

"We're so grateful for the steadfast support our organization consistently receives from this community," said Gina Thompson, executive director of Mary's Shelter. "Since opening, Mary's Shelter of the Treasure Coast has been able to help more than 80 women regain their strength, independence and bring healthy babies into the world."

After a full round of golf, event attendees enjoyed a dinner and bid on a variety of golf packages during the live auction. However, the highlight of the evening was when former Mary's Shelter resident, Maegan Stone, took the podium with her son in her arms to express her gratitude to Mary's Shelter.

"I appreciate everything Mary's
Shelter has done for me over the years,"
said Stone. "Without the help I received
through Mary's Shelter I wouldn't have
been able to turn my life around and
provide a better life for my son."

All expectant mothers who are 18 or older are welcome at Mary's Shelter regardless of race, religion or nationality. In addition to providing housing, the organization offers counseling, parental education, goal setting skills and job training free of charge to women in need.

For more information on Mary's Shelter of the Treasure Coast visit maryssheltertc.org or call 772-223-5000.