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Dear Judith,

In response to your letter of February 7, 2015, this letter is very easy for me to write. Zonta has given our organization a donation last year and the year before. Ultimately, the money went to help women living with a breast cancer diagnosis, whether or not they are in remission or treatment.


We do this with semi-annual weekend retreats and other events during the year. Our mission is to provide an environment for breast cancer survivors with emotional, spiritual and physical healing through education, association and recreation.

We do charge a fee on a sliding scale of their income, but we do not turn away anyone who cannot afford it which is usually two or three women each retreat. The money donated by your organization went to making sure those women could attend.

At the retreats, which are held at the Holiday Valley Tamarack in Ellicottville, start Friday afternoon and run until noon on Sunday. During that time, because each retreat is different, we adhere to our mission statement by bringing in speakers and facilitators. The ladies seem to bond and become "sisters", helping and supporting each other.

Working with Zonta has helped us to provide these retreats and to ease our burden of wondering if we can afford to do "it" again. We will be hosting our 28th retreat this April because of organizations such as yours. At that retreat will be women who cannot afford to come and are subsidized; women who are in stage 4 and on chemo for the rest of their lives; women who are newly diagnosed; women aged 38 - 90 and women just completing their treatment. As put by one of our ladies, "this retreat was a life enhancing experience that I could never have imagined". And working with Zonta was a wonderful experience for me personally. Thank you so much.

Very truly yours,


Nancy L. Bowen,
President