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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Capital Area United Way Announces 2020 Women United Award Recipients

Baton Rouge, La. (March 16, 2020) – Capital Area United Way’s Women United will honor several members of the community during its annual Celebrate the Power of Women celebration on Thursday, April 23rd at L’Auberge Hotel and Casino from 7:30 – 9 a.m. The event, sponsored by BASF, will feature guest speaker LSU Gymnastics Head Coach D-D Breaux. The following awards will be presented:

- Excellence in Social & Community Investment
 - o Camila Ford, Owner, Design for Living & Gabriella Rothschild
 - o Padma Vatsavai, Founder & CEO Vinformatix
- Champion for Women Advocacy
 - o Franz Borghardt, Attorney Borghardt Law Firm
- Legacy of Service
 - o Tamiko Francis Garrison, Manager, Special Investigations Unit, Louisiana Healthcare Connections/Centene Corporation & CEO Mover & Shakers Louisiana, Inc.
- UNITED 40
 - o Alsie Dunbar, Policy & Research Manager Baton Rouge Area Chamber
 - o Lindsey Rey, Production Engineer- Specialty Amines, BASF
- Women of Inspiration
 - o Tristi Charpentier, Vice President, Strategic Initiatives Huey and Angelina Wilson Foundation
- Women of Inspiration Team Award
 - o Danielle Panepinto, Staff Assistant to Management, ExxonMobil
 - o Heather Millis, Senior Assistant Admin, ExxonMobil
 - o Lauren Johnson, Chemist, ExxonMobil

As part of the Gottlieb Society of Capital Area United Way (those who give at a leadership level of \$1,000 or more), Women United seeks to improve the lives of those in the Capital Area with a focus on income stability. Women United is committed to excellence in community service, fundraising, and dedication to the renewal, development and empowerment of its members.

Tickets are on sale at \$25 per individual or \$250 table and can be purchased at cauw.org/celebrate. For more information contact Kris Cangelosi, Women United Chair or Amey Shortess Crousillac, Vice President of Resource Development at 225-382-3511 or ameyc@cauw.org.

**The Coronavirus (COVID-19) is at the top of everyone’s mind and Capital Area United Way is monitoring the situation very closely. Safety is always top priority for our donors, guests, staff and community. In the event Celebrate the Power of Women is postponed or cancelled all ticket sales will be honored for the new date or refunded.*

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Capital Area United Way

For more than 95 years, Capital Area United Way has touched thousands of lives in our 10-parish area. We envision a community where everyone is empowered to reach their full potential. Our mission is to solve our community’s toughest challenges by leveraging partnerships to advance the common good in education, income stability, and healthy living. To learn more visit www.cauw.org.