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**SAMARITAN HOUSE ISSUES STATEMENT OF CONDOLENCE OVER DEATHS OF  
ALICIA HEREFORD, FORMER STAFF MEMBER AND DAUGHTER MORGAN  
BAZEMORE**

**VIRGINIA BEACH, VA** – Robin Gauthier, Executive Director of Samaritan House issued the following statement on the deaths of Alicia Hereford and daughter Morgan Bazemore and arrest of a suspect accused of their murders.

“Last week, Samaritan House lost one of our own. We extend our deepest condolences to the family of Alicia Hereford and her daughter Morgan Bazemore for their tragic and senseless deaths. Alicia served Samaritan House as manager of our Emergency Shelter Program in 2019.

It’s difficult to comprehend, but domestic violence is so prevalent that one of our own would fall victim to violence. In addition, statistics show that women of color are still disproportionately killed by their abusers - they are two and a half times more likely to be murdered by an abuser. This why the work everyone does at Samaritan House is so very important. We must be here for the victims that can find their way to Samaritan House.”

If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, please call our 24-hour hotline at (757) 430-2120 to speak to a staff member or visit our website at [www.samaritanhouseva.org](http://www.samaritanhouseva.org).

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**ABOUT SAMARITAN HOUSE:** Since 1984, Samaritan House has sought to foster personal safety, growth and self-sufficiency in adults and their children through freedom from sexual and domestic violence, human trafficking and homelessness in Hampton Roads by providing emergency and permanent housing, support services and community outreach to victims. For additional information, visit: [www.samaritanhouseva.org](http://www.samaritanhouseva.org)