



Paula Barnes





“Paula was one of the most genuinely nice people I have ever met. She loved Safe Haven and the Preds very much! She had great respect for everyone and was a great leader. I will miss her very much!”

- KEN WILLIAMS



“Paula has been a part of the Safe Haven family for 8 years - first as a volunteer and a donor to a board member to serving as its secretary and over the past year as its president. As the CEO, Paula provided me with guidance, insight, and friendship. She was a fierce advocate for Safe Haven. I always went to bat for staff and their well-being and Paula was always right there with me - she'd always ask, "what more should/could we do to support everyone?". We are all better off because of her leadership. I will miss her smile, her goodwill, and dedication.”

- JOYCE LAVERY



“Paula was a kind and gentle soul. One only had to look into her eyes and get a glimpse of her smile to recognize this. In the early months of the pandemic, she was my board contact. In our conversations, we talked candidly about our fears, our families, how different our lives were as a result of the virus, and our hope for making it through and being able to hug people again and spend quality time together with those we love. Paula was caring and dedicated to the work we all do at Safe Haven. Her presence will be greatly missed.”

- KERI PAGETTA



“What an amazing person! I am so grateful for her dedication to our community. She will be greatly missed.”

- SAMEERA LOWE



“A few months into the COVID pandemic, Paula called me as well as other staff members, just to check in to make sure we were doing okay. She will be missed.”

- CRICKET VENABLE



“Paula was such a lovely, compassionate person and a strong, dedicated leader.”

- ANITA BAILEY

“Paula was the ultimate professional. She had a huge heart for Safe Haven.”

- DEBBIE FLACK



“Paula was such a wonderful human full of light and love. She will be dearly missed.”

- RACHEL LAYTON

