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Director Transition at the Orange County Rape Crisis Center

Chapel Hill, NC— The Orange County Rape Crisis Center announced today that Shamecca Bryant, executive director, will be leaving the Center after eight years on their staff. She will continue serving as the director through the end of the calendar year.

Bryant has been with the Center since September 2007, first as the development director before being promoted to interim and then permanent executive director in 2010. In addition to serving on the board of the North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NCCASA) as well as the board of the United Way of the Greater Triangle, Bryant has also sat on multiple nonprofit, advocacy, and anti-violence task forces in the community.

"The Center is truly a special place," Bryant said. "Working on behalf of survivors has been so rewarding. The support and healing that happens within and beyond our walls is bigger than all of us."

Hathaway Pendergrass, president of the board of directors, expressed his gratitude for Bryant's contributions to the Orange County Rape Crisis Center: "On behalf of the board of directors, I would like to recognize Shamecca's significant leadership over the years. The Center is well positioned for continued success thanks to her leadership and guidance."

Pendergrass also noted that the board of directors will soon launch a search for the incoming executive director. The position opening and search updates will be announced on the agency's website.

The Orange County Rape Crisis Center, a Triangle United Way Member Agency of Excellence and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce 2013 Nonprofit of the Year, has worked to stop sexual violence and its impact in the Orange County community since 1974. For more information about the Center and the services they provide, visit www.ocrcc.org or call 919-968-4647.

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