



10 Women of HOPE

Helping Single Parents

2025
ANNUAL REPORT



OUR MISSION

To provide one-time financial support to stable, single-parent families in Cobb County who are experiencing a critical need.

OUR VISION

To impact a family's life during a critical period by providing financial support that results in a positive outcome.

To A Wonderful Group of Women:

I wanted to personally thank each of you for your help. My grandson and I have been through very trying times the past 3 years, but the past 7 months have been just beyond horrible. After losing a job and when I started to get back on my feet, my daughter-his mom-passed away in December. So needless to say, my life imploded. My grandson's life was already disarray due to foster homes and custody battles. He also has ADHD, which makes things more difficult for him and more trying.

So I'm so very, very thankful that Grace was able to help me and approached me with options of different help possible because we have needed it all. I can never fully express how grateful and thankful I am at your generosity and very kind help. It has also renewed my faith in people. Knowing that there still are some good-hearted people still left in the world.

So thank you so much for your help for me and my grandson. I had been wanting so much to get him in something FOR A WHILE and thanks to you now he has it and also care for the summer, thank God.

10 WOMEN OF HOPE RECIPIENT

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As we reflect on the past year, we are deeply grateful for the generosity, compassion, and community that continue to drive the mission of 10 Women of Hope. Because of your support, 2025 was a year of meaningful impact for families facing financial hardship.

This year, we approved and funded 42 applications, providing direct assistance that positively impacted 145 family members. Through the dedication of our donors and volunteers, we were able to disburse \$68,755.74 to help meet critical needs. These funds supported essential expenses such as rent and mortgage payments, utilities, auto repairs and car payments, after-school and summer programs for children, dental surgery for a student, moving expenses, and adult education classes—helping families stabilize their present and build stronger futures.

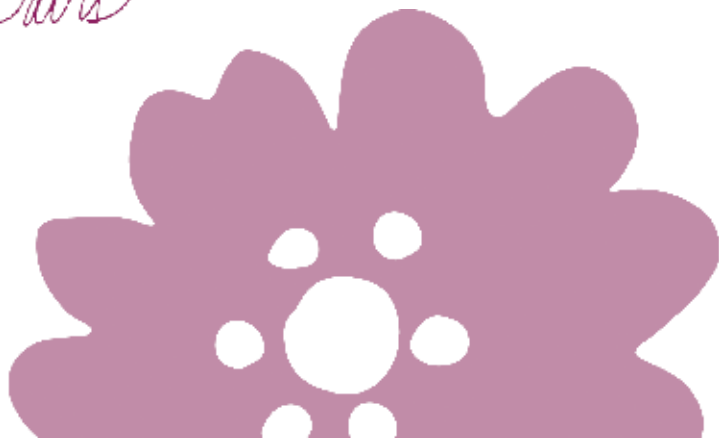
None of this would have been possible without the extraordinary generosity of our community. In 2025, 216 donors contributed a total of \$135,720.12 to support our mission. Each gift, no matter the amount, represents a belief in the power of community coming together to uplift families and create lasting change.

At 10 Women of Hope, we remain committed to providing timely, practical support to those navigating unexpected financial challenges. Your continued partnership allows us not only to respond to immediate needs but also to help restore hope and opportunity for the families we serve.

Thank you for standing with us and for making this important work possible. We look forward to continuing this journey together in the year ahead.

With gratitude,

Angie Davis,
2025 Chair





TOP TO BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT:

Heather Johnson, Fran Sutton, Kimberly Harmon, Kate Gaffney, Molly Metz, Amanda Seals, Jacki Payne, Alexis Blackmon, Angie Davis and Jaclyn Wood.

2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Amanda Seals
Fran Sutton
Heather Johnson
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Jaclyn Wood
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Kimberly Harmon
Molly Metz

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Patsy Bryan
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Laurel Kovach*
Linda Palmer
Michelle Sams
Penny Warren

**Deceased*

OUR REFERRAL PARTNERS

10 Women of Hope partners with a group of reliable, community-based organizations who make referrals on behalf of qualified applicants. When our partners see a need for one-time financial assistance, they serve as intermediaries and submit a written application detailing the assistance on behalf of the applicant.

To qualify, the applicant must demonstrate financial stability and a stable living environment. Once an application is submitted, our board members review the application and vote to determine if a request is approved or declined. If approved, the need is paid directly by the 10 Women of Hope on behalf of the applicant.

- Cobb County Court System
- Cobb County School District
- Cobb Legal Aid
- LiveSafe Resources
- Marietta City Schools
- Marietta Police Athletic League
- SafePath Children's Advocacy Center

WHAT WE DID

\$68,755.74

FUNDS DISBURSED TO APPLICATIONS

To Help with Rent, Mortgage Payments, Utilities, Auto Repairs, Car Payments, After School Programs, Summer Programs, Dental Surgery for a Student, Moving Expenses, and Payment for Adult Education Class.

She was so thrilled, thank you guys for all you do!

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APPLICATIONS APPROVED & FUNDED

145

FAMILY MEMBERS POSITIVELY IMPACTED BY OUR FUNDING

This year has been one of my toughest years in the South Cobb section since I started here in 2008. Eviction has been rampant, and a day late is \$100 plus \$5 more any additional day. A week later is \$250 and a notice of eviction which is crazy. Anytime you can work with an organization like yours is a blessing to the many families that I am serving.

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DONORS IN 2025

\$135,720.12

DONATIONS RECEIVED

\$8,491.83

TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE 10 WOMEN OF HOPE

Omg I'm literally crying right now! You don't know how much you just helped me out. I can't thank you enough. I haven't been able to have breathing room in a long time! You are truly the best!!!!

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GIRL'S NIGHT OUT

On October 16, 2025, 10 Women of Hope welcomed friends, neighbors, and supporters to our annual Girls Night Out fundraiser at The Foxglove. The evening was filled with fellowship, laughter, shopping, delicious bites, and heartfelt generosity — all in support of local families in need.

Girls Night Out has become a beloved October tradition in our community, and this year's event was truly special. Guests enjoyed browsing and shopping with a curated group of incredible local vendors, including Hickory & Houston, Hide and Go Seek, Little Red Bird Gifts, The Local Exchange, Matchmaker, Minted Market, Mud Creek Market, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Robert Kent Galleries, and Trappsmith. New vendors for 2025 included A Bag Concept, Carter Cove, The Cowgirl's Silver Crown, Marietta Mama Art & Gifts, Natural Glow Aesthetics &

Wellness, Pottery of the Starrs, and WeldATL. Their unique offerings made the evening festive and fun while supporting small businesses in our area.

Thanks to the generosity of our attendees and sponsors, we are thrilled to share that we raised \$61,986.55! These funds will go directly toward helping local single-parent families in Cobb County who are facing an acute financial crisis. Whether it's preventing eviction, keeping utilities connected, or helping a parent bridge an unexpected emergency, these resources make an immediate and meaningful impact.

A heartfelt thank you goes to SA White Oil Company, our presenting sponsor for 2025 who made the evening possible. Also a special thank you to our generous in-kind sponsors, Carriage House Catering, photographer Johnny Walker, and K. Mike Whittle Designs.

OUR PROGRAMS

Girls Night Out is more than a fundraiser — it is a reminder of what can happen when women and men gather with purpose. Every ticket purchased, every item shopped, every sponsorship given represents hope for a family walking through a difficult season.

To our guests, vendors, sponsors, and volunteers: thank you for making this evening such a success. Because of you, 10 Women of Hope can continue to stand in the gap for single-parent families in Cobb County when they need it most. We are so grateful for this community — and we can't wait to see you next October!



FRIENDRAISERS

We're grateful to our partners who host local fundraising events throughout the year.

Marietta Wine
Market Tasting

Grab-N-Go Sale
with White
Rabbit Cottage

"Dinner Out"
by Carriage House
Catering



CHATTAHOOCHEE TECH FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Thanks to a generous community donation, 10 Women of Hope, Inc. established a scholarship fund at Chattahoochee Tech that awards an annual scholarship to a single parent pursuing a degree at the school. At the May Board Meeting, Amanda Seals introduced this year's 10 Women of Hope scholarship recipient, Lanai Clark. Lanai expressed deep gratitude for the support and shared her inspiring story with the board. A California native who has called Georgia home for the past five years, she is currently pursuing a degree in cybersecurity at Chattahoochee

Technical College's Marietta Campus while working at Delta Air Lines.

Her greatest motivation is her son, a sophomore at Campbell High School and Chick-fil-A employee, with whom she plans to graduate simultaneously as a mutual source of encouragement. Lanai also poignantly spoke of the recent loss of her sister to cancer in February. She conveyed sincere appreciation for the scholarship and enjoyed the opportunity to connect with the 10 Women of Hope members.

FRIENDS OF THE 10

The group was established in 2022 with a generous gift from Garvis Sams in memory of his beloved wife, Cloma. Cloma, who always dreamed of being part of “The 10,” was honored as the inaugural member of “Friends of the 10.” We were saddened to learn of Garvis’ passing in January of 2025.

His kindness, vision, and heartfelt support helped shape “Friends of the 10” from the start. We are deeply grateful for Garvis’ enduring impact and proud to carry forward their legacy.

“Friends of the 10” is made up of faithful donors who have made a commitment of an annual gift of \$250 or greater. We are so very thankful that our “Friends of the 10” are rooted in generosity, care, and creating lasting impact.

Lamuriel Adams
Sue Alexander
David Anderson
Robyn Bailey
Bernadette Bennett
Robin Bishop
Dixie and Robert Bowden
Grant Brantley
Priscilla Buege
Lonnie Burks
Penny and Robin Burruss
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Nancy and Scott Grieve
Adele Grubbs
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Kristin Hanfland
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Greg Teague
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Jaclyn and Zack Wood
GA Power Foundation

*Thanks for making it
easier on me. Happy holidays,
you all are the best!*

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A GIFT FROM GENEROUS FRIENDS

On November 10, 2025, the Cobb County Friendship Club presented a generous grant to the 10 Women of Hope during its annual Friendship Club Award Ceremony at the Sewell Mill Library and Cultural Center. Kimberly Harmon attended the Friendship Club Award Ceremony and participated in the formal check presentation. Founded

in 1972 and funded by Cobb County Government employee donations, the Cobb County Friendship Club provides grants to local nonprofits that support Cobb families with food, clothing, shelter, and special needs, and has contributed more than \$3.7 million to community causes.





SPONSORS

POWERED BY PARTNERSHIP, DRIVEN BY HOPE

None of this would be possible without the generous spirit of our sponsors. Their commitment to Cobb County's single-parent families fuels every grant given, every crisis met with compassion, and every family guided toward stability. As we reflect on 2025 and the lives we've been privileged to touch, we are grateful for the strength of this community and warmly invite future sponsors to join us in creating change, one family at a time.

The Barnes Law Group, LLC	The Butcher on Whitlock	Capital City Bank
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Square Threads	United Community Bank	The Veterinary Clinic
White Rabbit Cottage	Williamson Bros. Bar-B-Q	

*Oh wow thank you all so much!
I truly appreciate this!*

CCSD SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER



Dear 10 Women Of Hope,

I would like to take a moment to send you this note, as you have taken so much time to serve and care for our students and families in Cobb County School District. I thank you for the opportunity to be there for our students and their family needs. Please know that since your existence, you have been a reliable and significant resource for our community. The assistance you have been providing to them is very quick, sustainable, wonderful, and has made a HUGE difference in these families' lives.

Taking care of the single women causes says a lot about your vision, mission, and your caring heart. You have served and assisted these families with respect, dignity, and I love that about your organization. I know you will continue to FIGHT for these single women families and on their behalf, I want to say "THANK YOU and THANK YOU" so much. I have been dealing with you for a long time and I am EXTREMELY grateful for your existence, as you are making the School Social Workers' job a bit easier.

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Faith is the assurance of things you have hoped for, the absolute conviction that there are realities you've never seen.

HEBREWS 11:1



*Thank you guys so much!!!!
I am thrilled for Mom. I will pick up the check tomorrow afternoon!*

CCSD SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER

10 Women of Hope,

Thank you for the laptop for college. I cannot begin to express how grateful and excited I am to be able to finish my degree and move forward in life. You ladies are amazing and I hope you all have a wonderful New Year's.

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Dear Ladies,

I want to sincerely express my deepest gratitude to each of you for the kindness, support, and compassion you have shown me and my family during one of the most difficult times in my life.

Being far from home while trying to build a new foundations has been both emotionally and mentally challenging. In moments when the weight felt overwhelming, your encouragement, generosity, and presence reminded me that I was not alone. Your willingness to step in, uplift us, and stand beside us during this season has meant more than words can truly express.

Please know that your support has made a lasting impact on my heart and my family. I will always be grateful for the strength, care, and sisterhood you extended to us when we needed it most. Thank you for being a true blessing in our lives.

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May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

ROMANS 15:13



*We are creating
positive outcomes in
our community together.*



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