

# 10 Women of HOPE

*Helping Single Parents*



2024 ANNUAL REPORT

# WHO WE ARE

## Letter from the Chair



To our faithful supporters...

As we celebrate our 16th year, we reflect on the giving nature of our community and the passion to help support families. Assisting over 200 family members in 2024, 10 Women of Hope is incredibly blessed by a community of support that allows us to assist single-parent families in Cobb County and help see them through a financial crisis. Our heartfelt thankfulness cannot be captured by words.

This year, Girls Night Out, our flagship fundraiser, saw a beautifully filled packed-house of supporters and raised over \$30,000. We are beyond grateful to our sponsors and attendees for making this happen! We are appreciative of your donations, trust, and prayers as we steward your dollars to positively impact Cobb families. Please read through our 2024 Annual Report to learn of all the amazing good your support has made possible! Thank you!!

Angie Davis, Chair

## 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.

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Pictured (L-R):  
Alexis Blackmon, AikWah Loew,  
Molly Metz, Heather Johnson,  
Kim Carroll, Angie Davis,  
Amanda Seals, Kate Gaffney,  
and Jacki Payne.

## Board of Directors

Angie Davis, Chair	Heather Johnson
AikWah Loew	Jacki Payne
Alexis Blackmon	Kate Gaffney
Amanda Seals	Kim Carroll
Fran Sutton	Molly Metz

## Directors Emeritus

Lamuriel Adams	Laurel Kovach*
Carla Brown	Linda Palmer
Patsy Bryan	Michelle Sams
Wanda Callahan	Penny Warren
Jean Hawkins	*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 Schools
- Cobb Legal Aid
- LiveSafe Resources
- Marietta City Schools
- Marietta Police Athletic League
- SafePath Children's Advocacy Center

# WHAT WE DID



**45**

APPLICATIONS APPROVED & FUNDED



**203**

FAMILY MEMBERS  
POSITIVELY IMPACTED  
BY OUR FUNDING



**\$65,425.24**

FUNDS DISBURSED TO APPLICATIONS



RENT &  
MORTGAGE  
PAYMENTS



UTILITY  
BILLS



CAR PAYMENTS & REPAIRS



AFTER SCHOOL & SUMMER PROGRAMS

DENTAL SURGERY FOR STUDENT



MOVING  
EXPENSES



ADULT  
EDUCATION  
CLASS



**\$124,219.89**

DONATIONS RECEIVED

**176**

DONORS IN 2024



**\$7,983.83**

TOTAL EXPENSES  
FOR THE ORGANIZATION

# OUR PROGRAMS



## Girls Night Out

Our signature “friendraiser” returned on October 17, 2024, bringing together our incredible community to celebrate friendship and support single-parent families in Cobb County.

Held at The Brickyard and generously sponsored by SA White Oil Company, the evening featured sipping, shopping, and socializing with local small businesses. Thanks to the energy and generosity of our guests, Girls Night Out raised

\$34,030.78! We are deeply thankful to our sponsors, vendors, and attendees for making it such a success. We hope to see everyone for this year’s amazing gathering on Thursday, October 16, 2025.

## Chattahoochee Tech Foundation Scholarship

We proudly congratulate Mary Aghughu, the latest recipient of the 10 Women of Hope Scholarship at Chattahoochee Technical College. Mary is pursuing her Associate of Science in Nursing with plans to become a registered nurse and continue on to earn her BSN. We’re honored to support her journey toward making a meaningful impact in healthcare.

*Your kindness has alleviated a significant portion of the financial burden associated with pursuing higher education, allowing me to focus wholeheartedly on my studies without the worry of financial constraints.* - MARY AGHUGHU



## Friendraisers

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



Give Back Nights  
at Glover Park  
Brewery



Marietta Wine  
Market Tastings



Grab-N-Go Sale  
with White  
Rabbit Cottage



“Dinner Out”  
by Carriage  
House Catering



Grab-N-Go Sale  
with Mud Creek  
Market

# FRIENDS OF THE 10

This special donor group was created in response to a question we've heard often over the years:

*"How can I get more involved?"*



## Thank you to our Friends of the 10 members.

Lamuriel Adams	Marilyn Corn	Allison Gruehn & Family	Paula Mahrenholz	Sally Rhoden
Sue Alexander	Dana Crissey	Kristin Hanfland	Jane Manning	Garvis Sams, Jr.
Grant Brantley	Jim Croy	Jean Hawkins	Angela & Nick Massengill	Amanda & Paul Seals
Jennifer Brett	Judy Davis	Christine Holland	Lewis Massey	Amanda Spence
Carrilu & Billy Brit	Lucy Denzin	Kathryn Hudson	Harveda & Virgil Moon	Ellen Stebbins
DeAnna Brown	Matthew & Sue Easley	Heather & Andrew Johnson	Arie Motschman	Juanita Stedman
Robert Brown	Debra Ewing	Jane Johnson	Nora & Ed Moulton	Fran & Don Sutton
Penny & Robin Burruss	Mary Beth Fahsel	Claudia Ketner	Delinda Kilgore	Greg Teague
Wanda & Sammy Callahan	Cindi Fain	Susan & Tom King	Nelle Pender	Lisa Thompson
Gary Cannon	Frank Gasparon	Gene Kovach	Mark Pope	Patsy & Neil Warren
Terri Coil	Stephanie George	Sara	Adrian Presley	Diane Webb
Beverly Collins	Terri Germann	Leonard-Farmer	Nancy Prochaska	Jaclyn Wood
Jackson Corn	Nancy Grieve		Becky Ransom	
	Adele Grubbs			

Launched in 2022, Friends of the 10 continues to thrive as a growing circle of dedicated supporters who want to engage more deeply with 10 Women of Hope and our mission. This special donor group was created in response to a question we've heard often over the years: *"How can I get more involved?"* In its second full year, Friends of the 10 has helped us build stronger relationships and expand our reach.

The group was established with a generous gift from Garvis Sams in memory of his beloved wife, Cloma, who always dreamed of being part of "The 10." Cloma was honored as the inaugural member of Friends of the 10, and her legacy has continued to inspire this meaningful program.

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 very beginning. His gift laid the foundation for a growing community of hope and compassion. We are deeply grateful for Garvis' enduring impact and proud to carry forward the legacy he and Cloma helped create.

In 2024, Friends of the 10 welcomed new members and hosted exclusive events designed to bring supporters closer to our work. Members also enjoyed early access to Girls Night Out shopping and opportunities to lend a hand behind the scenes. Their involvement has strengthened our efforts and helped us serve even more families in need. Friends of the 10 is a community rooted in generosity, care, and lasting impact.

# OUR SPONSORS

## The Power of Partnership

This work would not be possible without the support of our sponsors. Their generosity fuels the financial assistance that uplifts families, inspires hope, and creates lasting impact in our community.

Each contribution helps move our mission forward. As we reflect on the year's progress, we're reminded of the power of partnership and the potential it holds. We welcome future sponsors to join us in creating meaningful change, one family at a time.

The Butcher on Whitlock

Cobb EMC Foundation

City of Marietta Board of Lights and Water Works

Day's Chevrolet

Jett Auto Care

K. Mike Whittle Designs

Moore, Ingram, Johnson and Steele LLP

SA White Oil Company

White Rabbit Cottage

The Capital City Bank Group Foundation

Corn Enterprises, Inc.

Cole Street Development Corporation

Glover Park Brewery

Johnny Walker Realty

KAMS Auto Center

North Georgia State Fair

United Community Bank

Williamson Bros. Bar-B-Q

Carriage House Catering

Chesley Brown International

Cumberland Diamond Exchange

Hazel Family Eyecare

JRM Management Services, Inc.

Lowry Waldrep Group

Poole's Pharmacy, Inc.

The Veterinary Clinic

*"I am sending you my recently received stimulus check as my donation to your organization. Several years ago, I was financially struggling as a single mom. I am now happily married and able to pay it forward to help single moms that are in the situation I found myself in years ago. I was ecstatic to find your local organization and am so happy I'm in a place now where I can help others."*

- ANONYMOUS DONOR

*I delivered the check to the landlord right before we went on break. This parent was BESIDE HERSELF when I gave her the good news. She started celebrating and said that she had just been praying before I called her with no idea that she was going to receive such good news. This check enabled a parent to move herself and her children out of a motel room and into stable housing. The extra provided her piece of mind to be able to save a little bit and not be right on the edge. Thank you to the 10 Women team for providing such an enormous blessing to this sweet, deserving family! You ladies are so very appreciated.*

- CARA CREGER,  
SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER,  
MARIETTA CITY SCHOOLS

*"Words are truly insufficient for the grace and generosity shown to my family and I during my hardship. Your monetary donation helped prevent my vehicle from getting repossessed due to being out of work on medical leave. This blessing helped relieve a lot of stress off of my shoulders. I am now able to sleep at night without worry. I am forever grateful."*

- A MOM WHO WAS HELPED



SCAN TO DONATE

Thanks to all who support our mission to provide one-time financial support to stable, single-parent families in Cobb County who are experiencing a critical need. Make your donation at [10womenofhope.org/donate](http://10womenofhope.org/donate) today.

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

**10 Women of HOPE**

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