

NEW HOPE



Center for Grief Support



Annual Impact Report

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“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”
Matthew 5:4

Letter from Executive Director

25,000
Connections
with Grievers
in 2023

As we help bring light to those new to navigating the grief journey, the mission of New Hope Center for Grief Support remains strong – bringing **hope**, **healing**, and **new beginnings** to children, families, and adults impacted by the death of a loved one. Through a peer-to-peer support program we help grievors connect to know they are not alone in grief, help them learn about the emotions and reactions associated with grief to feel better prepared during the grief journey, and experience healing and growing in grief by sharing their story and hearing those of others.

With over 250 active volunteers our vision is to see those who have come through our program create a safe, supportive community for others in grief and help change the way our culture responds to grief and loss. “There is nothing like being with others who understand my loss. I would not have been able to get through this without the support of my group.” shared by an anonymous griever. Loss can be devastating and at New Hope our mission is to help grievors change despair to hope, heartbreak to healing, and help transform grief into life changing new beginnings.

As I read through the following annual report, I am struck by what has been achieved in the past year. However, it is not our accomplishments alone. We thank all who have contributed to our success.

- Developed and implemented New Hope Center for Grief Support School-Based Grief Support Programs offering Childhood Bereavement Training for School Professionals, First Steps Advocacy meetings with new grievors on a one-to-one basis, 8-week on-site grief support group for bereaved students, and ongoing support and resources to schools under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).
- Launched a Starting Again, Spouse Loss Group for 55 and under, meeting the unique needs of grievors losing spouses with children in the home.
- Launched a Starting Again, Spouse Loss Group in Waterville, Ohio.
- Coordinated efforts with the Tears Foundation to offer a monthly Ongoing Support Group for Infant Loss survivors.
- Hosted our largest Annual Kid’s Camp – “Tackling Grief with New Hope”, supporting 117 campers, with the help of over 125 volunteers.

It has been a very productive year, which would not have been possible without our staff, board of directors, volunteers, donors, sponsors, grantors, host locations, and community partners. We look forward to being a resource to those impacted by the death of a loved one.

Regards,



Jennifer Frush
Executive Director



Staff, Board & Advisors...

NEW HOPE
Center for Grief Support



Mission

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a 501(c)3 charitable organization dedicated to bringing hope, healing, and new beginnings to adults and children grieving the death of a loved one.

Vision

Our vision as a bereavement resource center is to see those who've come through our program create a safe, understanding community for others in grief and help change the way our culture responds to grief and loss.

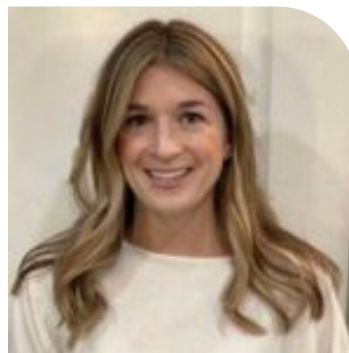
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New Hope Center for Grief Support was founded in 2000 by Cathy Clough, a woman who had experienced the pain of grief and the challenges of being a young widow raising three kids. As she healed, she found new beginnings in life by supporting countless others of all ages and losses through their own grief journey. Guided by her Christian faith, she modeled the core values of New Hope. She led with love, acted with courage, and served with humility. Since then, New Hope Center has served thousands of grieving individuals and families.

Volunteers



Impact Snapshot

250+
Volunteers

New Hope would not be able to provide the support and services for those bereaved if it weren't for the army of volunteers that serve the mission of bringing hope, healing, and new beginnings to children, teens, adults, and families impacted by the loss of a loved one. From running ongoing loss-specific groups to answering phone calls, we are blessed with over 250 volunteers actively serving. Many of the volunteers have experienced their own personal loss, benefited from New Hope's programs and services, and now continue their healing by serving others in grief in honor of their lost loved one. Our volunteers have taken the pain of loss and turned it into purpose now serving other grievers.

"I volunteer at New Hope, because when I first lost my husband New Hope allowed me to connect with people who actually "got me" and what I was going through. As I became more involved New Hope gave me a place and a purpose. I totally believe in their mission and model of peer-to-peer support connecting you with individuals with a similar loss. I have made lifelong friends and am grateful to continue my healing through helping others!" - Maryellen Lewandowski

**"New Hope has helped me survive my loss and given me hope and a purpose in life. Now I want to work with New Hope to help the ones grieving to heal, move forward and understand that there IS life after death. Life is for the living!"
-Sue Serb**

**"I volunteer at New Hope because I was helped so much in dealing with my grief and want to help others. It is so rewarding to see people go from grief to finding New Hope."
-Charlene Schindler**



Grievers from
36 cities have
benefitted

ANN ARBOR
BELLEVILLE
BERKLEY
CANTON
CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP
CLINTON TOWNSHIP
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
DEARBORN
DETROIT
DEXTER
FARMINGTON HILLS
FERNDALE
FLAT ROCK
GARDEN CITY
HARTLAND
HOLLY
HOWELL
LIVONIA
LATHRUP VILLAGE
MILFORD
NORTHVILLE
NOVI
PLYMOUTH
ROMULUS
SHELBY TOWNSHIP
SOUTHFIELD
SOUTH LYON
TROY
WATERFORD
WAYNE
WEBBERVILLE
WEST BLOOMFIELD
WESTLAND
WHITMORE LAKE
WOODHAVEN
WOLVERINE LAKE

First Steps

First Steps provides those who have experienced the death of a loved one a safe place to share their story, understand more about grief, and learn about the grief support programs and resources that New Hope offers. This one-time scheduled meeting provides an opportunity to connect with a peer support facilitator that is similar in age and has experienced a similar type of loss.

**54% OF FIRST STEPS GRIEVERS
CONTINUED THEIR GRIEF JOURNEY BY
ATTENDING ADDITIONAL
PROGRAMMING WITH NEW HOPE**

**149 GRIEVERS PARTICIPATED IN A
FIRST STEPS IN 2023**



Ongoing Groups

New Hope Center for Grief Support offers loss-specific ongoing peer support groups for those grieving all types of loss. New Hope peer support groups are open to all and are always free of charge.

Forty-two Peer Support Facilitators have traveled their own grief journey and with New Hope Training are walking alongside those who have experienced a similar loss.

In June of 2023, in collaboration with TEARS, we started an ongoing **Infant Loss** group. The Infant Loss Group has given parents a connection to facilitators who have traveled a similar journey.

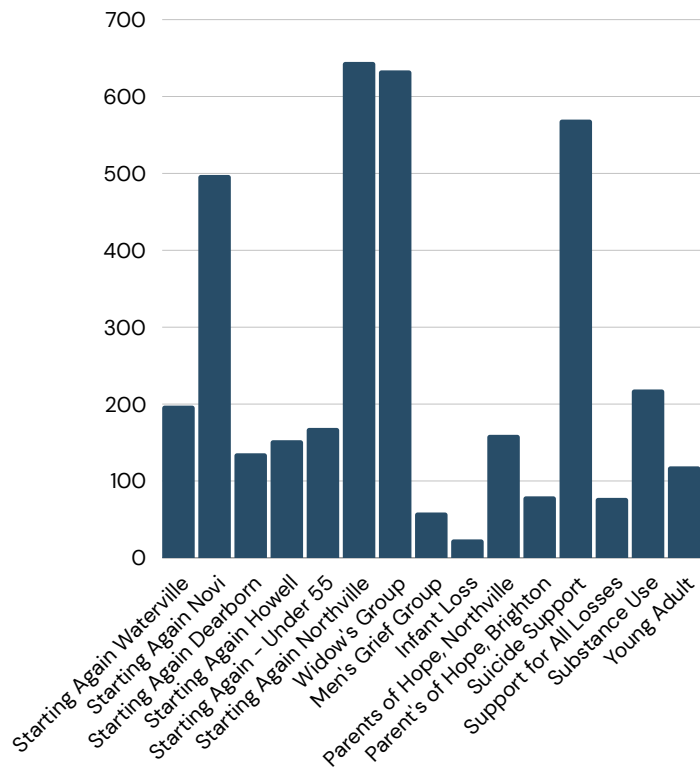
Starting Again, Spouse Loss 55-under is a support group for widows and widowers ages 55-under. This group evolved from our 2022 "From Grief to New Hope" 8-Week Workshop participants to serve the unique needs of being a widow at a young age.

Starting Again, Spouse Loss Waterville broadened New Hope's need for a support group for widows and widowers in Ohio.

Special shout out to Matt Swartz from Evolving Lives Inc. for leading our ongoing facilitator training throughout the year. His involvement and support are a great benefit to our volunteer facilitators.



Number of participants in attendance by group in 2023



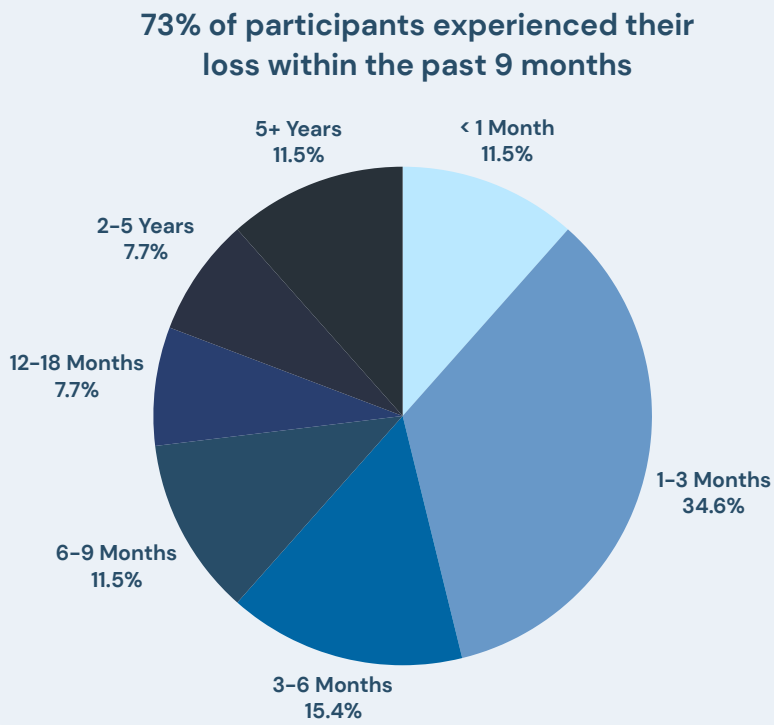
"What I love about volunteering at New Hope is being able to walk alongside someone as they begin their grief journey. The opportunity to be present for someone as peer support is one of the most rewarding things that I have ever done. It also helps me along my ongoing grief journey."

- Jan Wilson



Beginning the Grief Journey Seminar

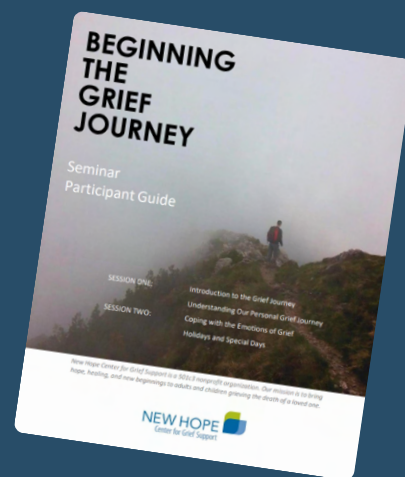
This seminar provides an understanding of the basics of the grief journey and is a great first step for those grieving the loss of a loved one.



*"Our speaker encouraged us to not let grief steal our joyful memories of our loved one."
-Hopeful Participant*

*"Thank you for helping us look forward to the next steps in our grief journey."
-Hopeful Participant*

- 43 individuals from 24 communities came together to better understand their grief.
- Within 48 hours of completing the Beginning the Grief Journey Seminar, 30% of the participants signed up to attend our upcoming "From Grief to New Hope" 8-week workshop starting March 4th.
- Offering the seminar virtually allowed individuals from Pennsylvania and Florida to join our seminar.



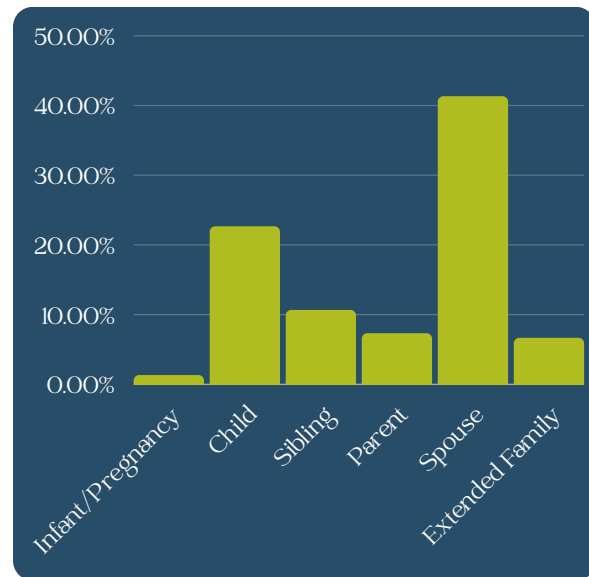
A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO WARD CHURCH AND FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BRIGHTON FOR HOSTING!



"From Grief to New Hope" 8-Week Workshop

This workshop combines the educational components of the workshop with the safety and support of a peer group. This workshop is available twice a year to adults who are grieving the death of a loved one. It provides a safe place to express your grief and begin the healing process. Each session includes a speaker, and then participants are placed into small discussion groups according to their type of loss and age. Each small group is led by peer support facilitators who also experienced a similar loss and have traveled their own grief journey.

TYPE OF LOSS:



97%

of participants felt they could better understand their grief

95%

of participants would recommend this workshop to a friend or colleague

92%

of participants are planning on continuing programming with New Hope

790 PEOPLE FROM
40 MICHIGAN COMMUNITIES
AND 4 SURROUNDING STATES
ATTENDED NEW HOPE'S
WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

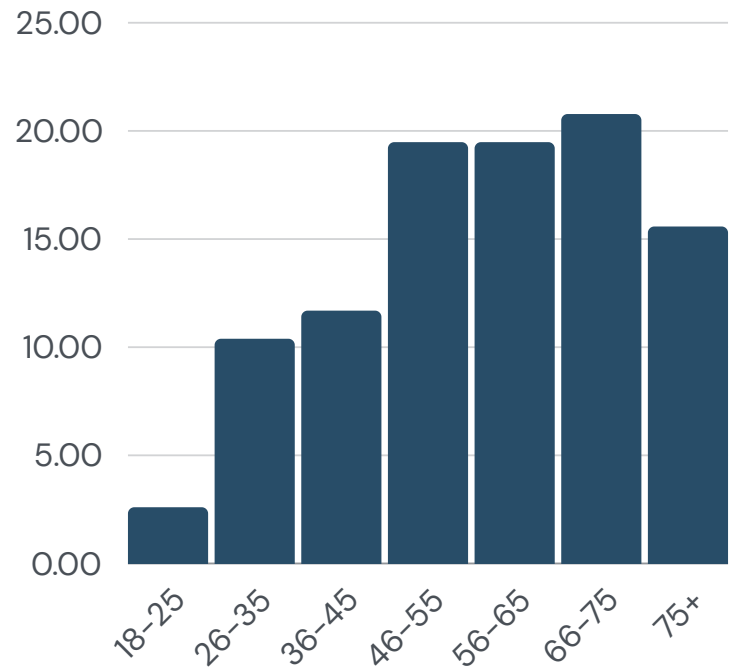


Workshop Outcomes

While New Hope continues to serve participants for loss-specific grief, we have seen continued growth in workshop attendance.

- **23%** of participants have experienced loss due to substance use or suicide.
- **70%** of participants experienced their loss less than six months before attending the workshop.

PARTICIPANT AGE:



WHAT PARTICIPANTS LOVED ABOUT THE WORKSHOP:

- “Learning to give words to my feelings and sharing them with my group”
- “Connecting with others who knew exactly how I feel”
- “Meeting new people and discovering I was not alone in my grief”
- “The love that group participants had for one another”



A Special Thank You to Ward Church for Hosting!

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Hope for the Holidays Seminar

Special days and holidays can make the grief journey more difficult. This seminar helps answer the question, "What can I do to navigate the upcoming holiday season?" Attendees can expect to leave this seminar with practical tools shared by those who have experienced the loss of a loved one and found Hope for the Holidays. We hosted this seminar at Ward Church and for the first time hosted one at Waterville United Methodist Church in Waterville, OH.



"I was thankful to find others who are in my stage of life with whom I could share my feelings."

- Hopeful Participant



"I left the seminar wishing for more time with my group and hoping to continue the discussion in an ongoing grief group."

- Hopeful Participant

100%

increase in attendance from 2022-2023

100%

of attendees felt better able to cope

92%

of attendees felt more hopeful about the future

Thank you to Ward Church and Waterville United Methodist Church for Hosting!



Memorial Candlelight Ceremony

WE LIGHT THESE FIVE CANDLES IN MEMORY OF AND IN HONOR OF YOU; WE LIGHT ONE FOR OUR...

GRIEF – the pain of losing you is intense; it reminds us of our love for you

COURAGE – to confront our sorrow, to comfort each other, and to change our lives.

MEMORY – the times we laughed, the times we cried, the times we were angry with each other, the silly things you did, and the caring and joy you gave to us.

LOVE – as we enter this holiday season, day by day we cherish the special place in our hearts that will always be reserved for you, and we thank you for the gift your living brought to each of us.

HOPE – it reminds us of the love and the memories of you that are ours forever. May the glow of the flame be our source of hopefulness now and forever. We love you.



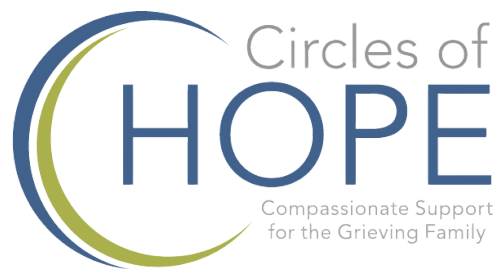
311 PARTICIPANTS
HONORED THEIR
LOVED ONES

“THE SPEAKERS, MUSIC, AND HEARING EVERYONE’S NAME WAS VERY TOUCHING. THANK YOU FOR A BEAUTIFUL, AWESOME EVENING.” – HOPEFUL PARTICIPANT



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO
HARRY J. WILL FUNERAL HOME FOR SPONSORING
AND WARD CHURCH FOR HOSTING!

Family Friday



Circles of Hope provides a family-centered approach to grief support by investing in children, supporting parents, and strengthening the family. We accomplish this in part through our monthly Family Fridays, Day-to-Play Events, Kid's Camp, and our engaging Seminars. These programs provide support, community, and the tools that the family and children need to help navigate their grief.

Impact Snapshot 30

Families have attended Family Friday events

159

Times children have attended Family Friday events

Throughout the year, we offer this monthly family-based program. Dinner is provided, along with break-out sessions, discussions, and activities to provide tools to help navigate the grief journey. We offer a unique theme and activity each month.

What Families Enjoy the Most...

"CONNECTING WITH OTHER CHILDREN AND PARENTS."

"THE FELLOWSHIP, FEELING NOT ALONE. LEARNING NEW TOOLS TO COPE."

"BEING AROUND PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES SO THE KIDS DON'T FEEL SO ISOLATED AND ALONE."



TYPES OF LOSS



68% PARENT



10% SIBLING



10% GRAND-PARENT



12% EXTENDED FAMILY

"When I lost my sister, I wasn't aware of New Hope and I went to a dark place. Volunteering with New Hope today gives me the opportunity to witness the strength of individuals taking that first step towards grief. I want to be the light to them and so often they become a light for me."

Jennifer Jackson, Founder of The DRE Project that sponsors the pizza dinners for Family Fridays



"Santa's Workshop"



"Soaring Through Memories"



"Grow Your Seed of Happiness"



"Healing Through Movement"

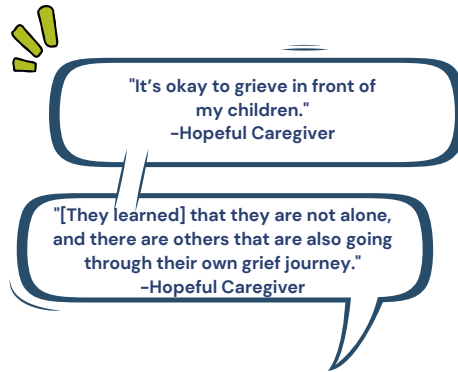
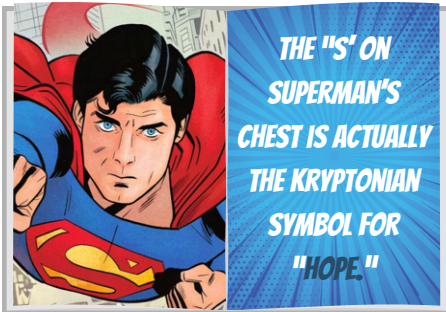


"Grief is Messy"

Finding Your Superpowers Seminar

THE IMPACT

- 40 Children
- 25 Adults
- 39 Volunteers
- 11 Police Officers
- 2 Special Guests: Batman & Spiderman



We learned that even in our grief we have special **SUPERPOWERS**:



Day to Play

27 CHILDREN ATTENDED

JAN | Movie Day



FEB | Strike Out Grief



NOV | Meeting Local Community Heroes



Kid's Camp

IN 2023, OUR ANNUAL KID'S CAMP THEME WAS "TACKLING GRIEF WITH NEW HOPE."



Impact Snapshot

117

children were served

130

volunteers rallied to help make this extraordinary camp possible

42

returning campers in 2024

Our camp is designed to help children connect with other children to know they are not alone in their grief, learn about the emotions and reactions so they feel better prepared when they arise, and discover ways to grow through the grief journey by sharing their stories and hearing those of others.



"I learned that there are many people that understand what I'm going through."

- Child Camper



TOGETHER, WE LEARNED THAT TACKLING GRIEF TAKES **COURAGE** TO FACE YOUR GRIEF, **PRACTICE** TO MAKE YOU STRONGER, AND **PERSEVERANCE** TO GROW THROUGH IT!



"I love that we are teaching these children who have suffered loss at such a young age that they are not alone, and that when they feel sad they can always talk to someone."

- Camp Counselor

During Kid's Camp, our campers experienced a fun interactive 2-day camp through nine different stations. Each station was specifically designed to ensure children had the opportunity to talk about their loss, learn about grief-related emotions and reactions, and connect with other grieving children.



Did you know that animals grieve too?

9 STATIONS



Horse Therapy

Ml Jag Soccer



Tackle Box

Art Expression



Yoga

Songwriting



Animal Engagement

Nature Hike

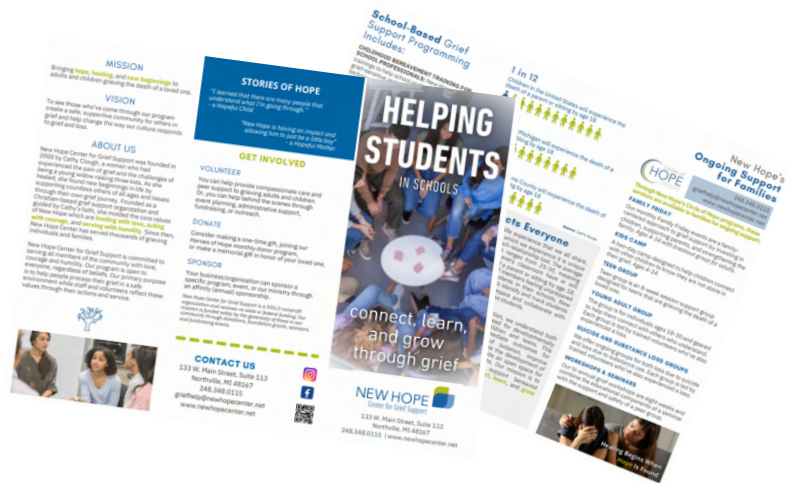


Tackling Your Grief Football



School-Based Grief Support

As a peer support organization, we understand both the pain of loss and the need for developmentally appropriate support for children and teens. This program will improve immediate outcomes for students: reduce feelings of isolation improve academic engagement, promote the development of healthy coping skills, and provide an open space for students to share their emotions. Our mission is to collaborate with schools to support bereave students by helping them connect, learn, and grow through grief.



1 in 11
Children in Michigan are bereaved due to the loss of a parent or sibling by age 18

The program includes...

- FIRST STEPS ADVOCACY
- 8-WEEK ON-SITE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP FOR BEREAVED STUDENTS
- DIRECT SUPPORT AFTER THE LOSS OF STUDENT OR STAFF
- ONGOING SUPPORT AND RESOURCES
- CHILDHOOD BEREAVEMENT TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PROFESSIONALS



“What students learned from their time in group:”

- To remember the good times
- That my emotions are okay
- I'm not alone
- To stay positive
- Just talking helps
- It is ok to feel stuff
- To be patient

Impact Snapshot

256

times children and teens attended our school-based grief support groups

389

times we provided resources to schools

100%

of students found the information that was shared to be helpful



Teen Group

Part of our Circles of Hope program. This is a support group for teens to connect with other grieving teens. This program is adapted for teens and their unique life situations and will help teens better understand their grief; better name, validate and communicate thoughts and feelings about their grief; cope with feelings more effectively; feel able to talk about deceased loved ones and share memories; feel better prepared for upcoming holidays/special days; and learn healthy coping skills to help navigate their grief journey.



20%

increase in the average number of teens that attended each 8-week session

100%

of teens found the topics of the group to be helpful in navigating their grief

25%

of the teens have participated in multiple sessions

The topics we cover:

Common Reactions to Grief

Feelings Associated with Grief

It Feels Like No One Understands

Anger

Guilt

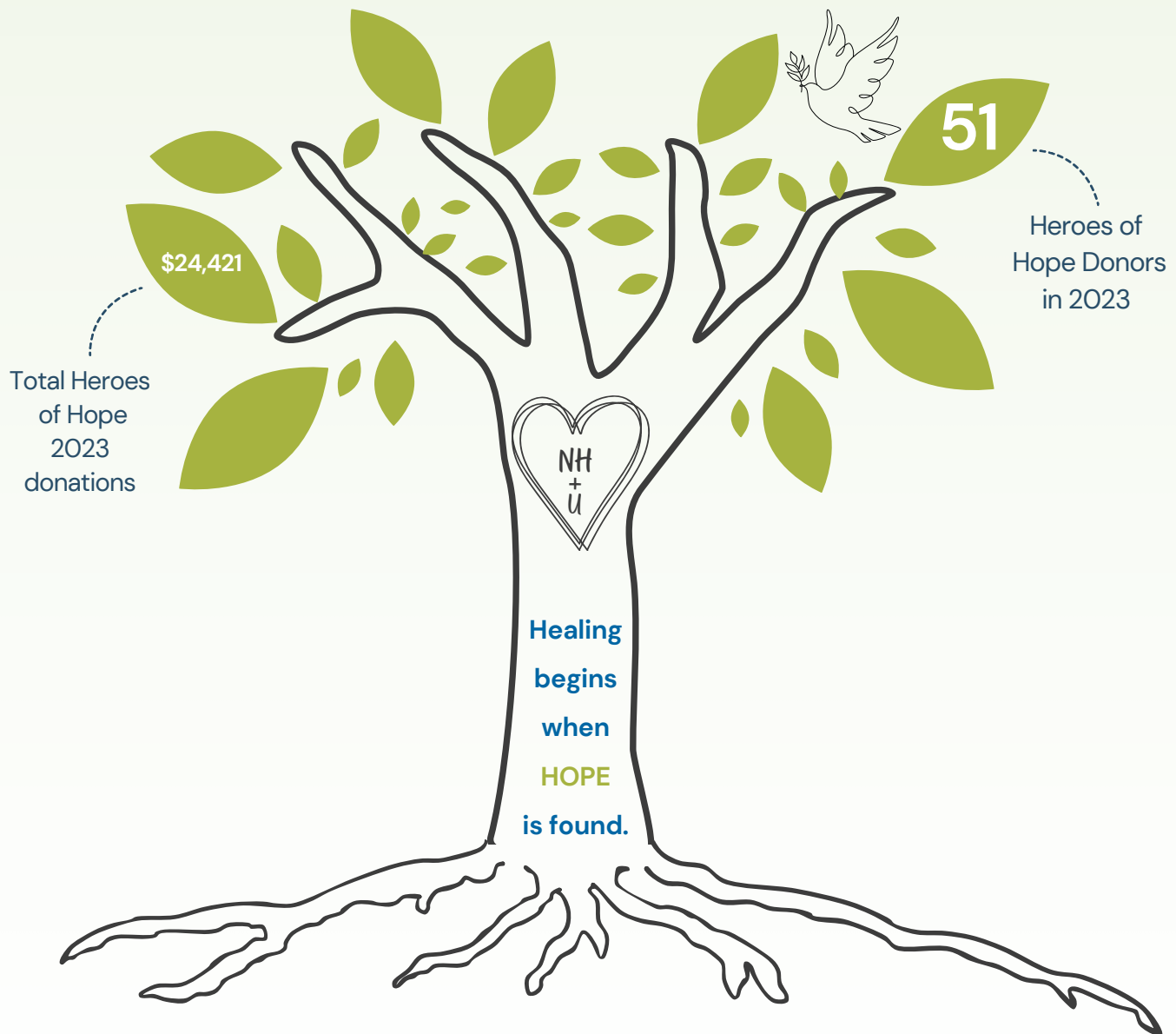
Regret

Special Days, Moments, Holidays, and Other Tough Days

Remembering Your Loved One and Moving Forward

Heroes of Hope Donors

Our "Heroes of Hope" giving program is a monthly contribution that provides New Hope with a stable, ongoing source of income to support all of our bereavement programs and services. Thank you to our Heroes of Hope Donors who offer a stable foundation in funding to programs and resources for our grievers. It is with their ongoing support that we are able to bring **Hope**, **Healing** and **New Beginnings** to so many in grief.



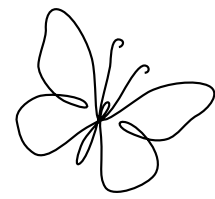
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in loving memory



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Clifford Raymond Airhart Jr.
Bob Anderson
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Lauren Menyhart Dear
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Ed Doody
Jennifer Guo
Molly Johnson
Debbie Damesworth Mayer
Angela Melonio
Steve Rowley
Michael Taylor

We



our donors!

Outreach



*Spreading our wings
and sharing New Hope
to our community.*



2,440
people reached

30
outreach sites



*This year we
provided our
resources to...*

- Northville HS Parent Camp
- Stevenson HS Parent Night
- Community Financial Presentations
- Children's Foundation Behavioral Health Summit
- Livonia Community Center
- Kadesh Baptist Church
- Sparrow Freedom Project
- Livonia Save Our Youth Coalition Run 2 Save Our Youth
- Northville High School Suicide Prevention Panel
- Novi Parent Camp
- Franklin Middle School Parent Night
- Victorian Festival
- Northville Twp. Fire Department Open House
- Community Volunteer Fair
- Novi Community Collation
- Faith-Based Summit
- Livingston County Grief Alliance
- Metro Detroit Share
- First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn
- Growth Works Mental Health Conference
- "Walking with Grief" at Penn Theatre
- Lion's Club
- RG & GR Harris Funeral Homes, Livonia & Garden City
- 2023 Crime Stoppers Event Detroit
- 242 Church Livonia





Special Events

Celebration of Hope Gala
&
Merry Little Christmas Party



Fundraising
Events Raised

\$87,628

THE PACKER GROUP CHARITY GOLF OUTING



Welcome home.

On May 24, 2023, The Packer Group generously hosted their annual Golf Outing to benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support. It was a beautiful, sunny day at Fox Hills Golf Course and Banquet Center in Plymouth, and together over **\$20,000** was raised to help fund the children and teen grief support programming at New Hope Center for Grief Support.

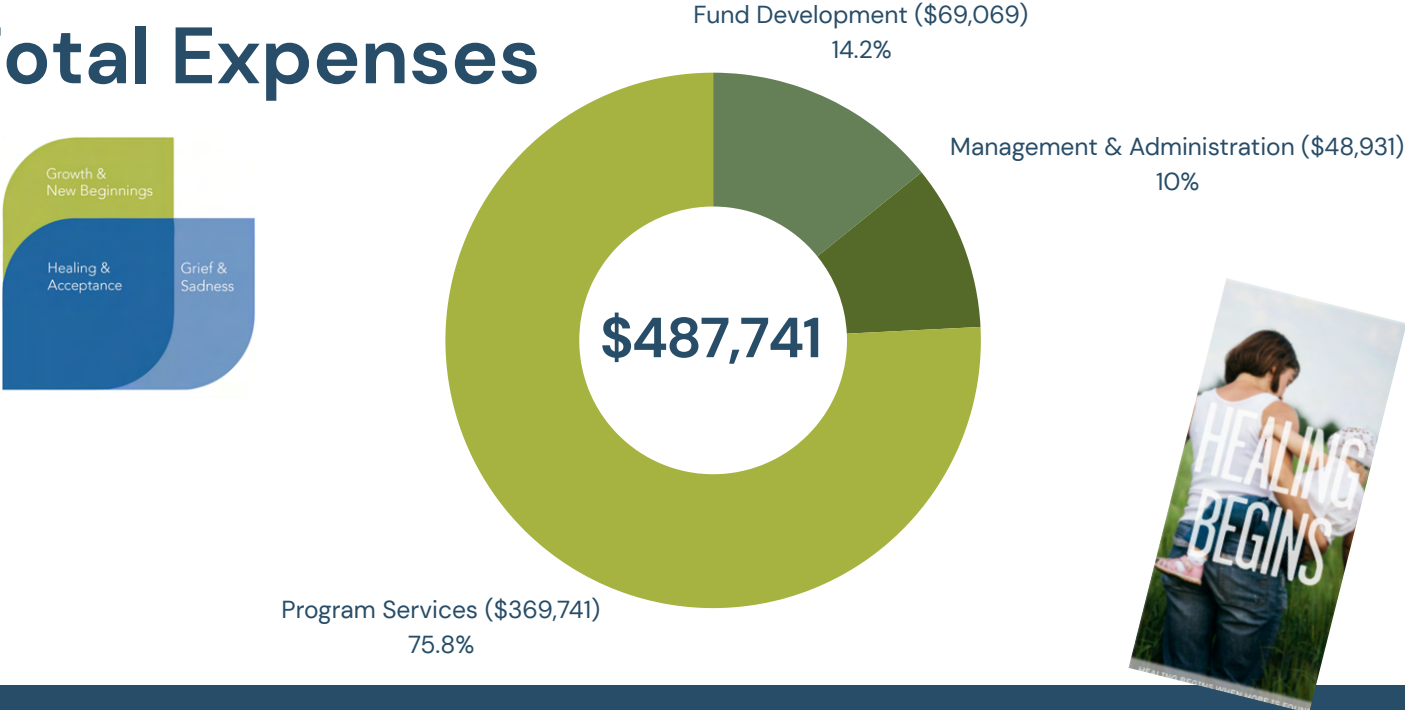
Thank you to Jeff Packer and his team and to all the golfers, donors, and sponsors who helped make this incredible event possible!



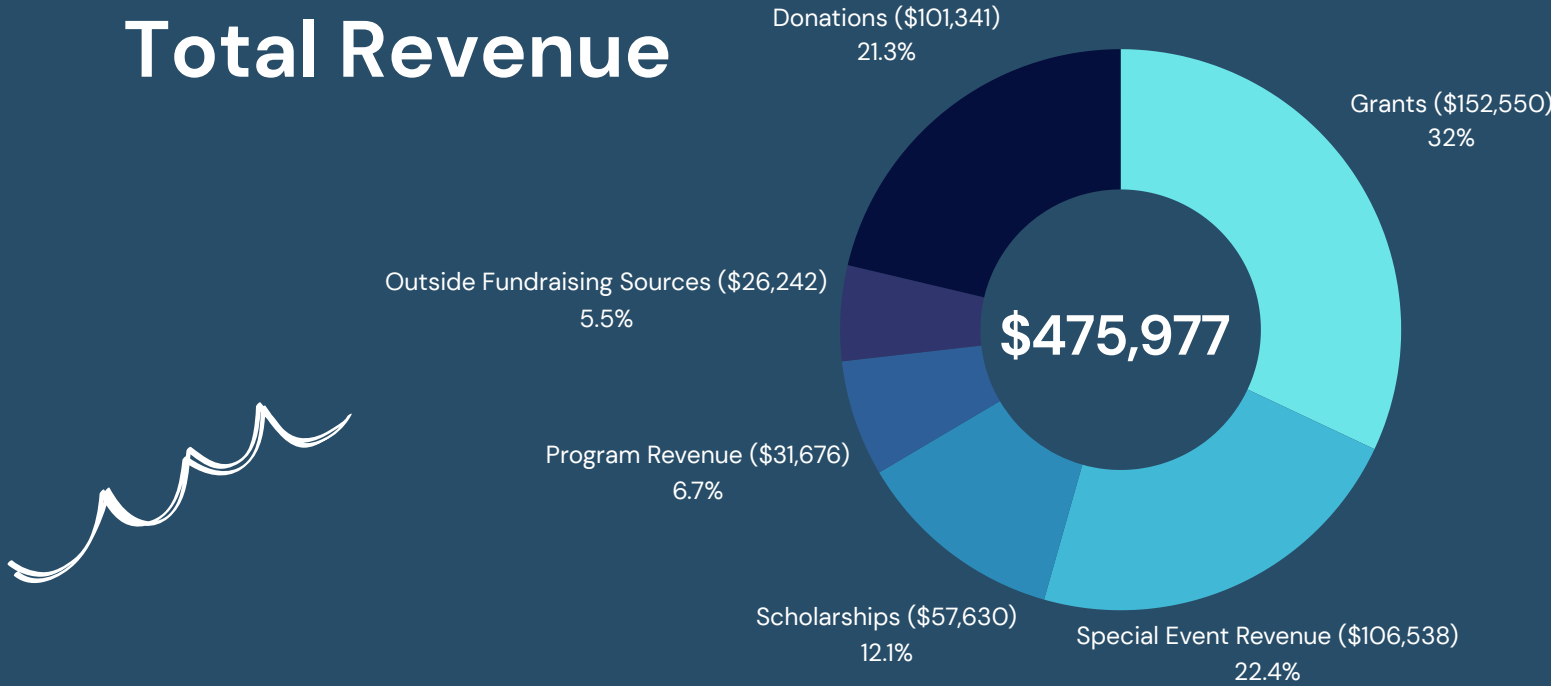
Thank You to Our Sponsors, Grantors, and Donors

New Hope never wants finances to be a barrier for those needing support. Due to the generosity of donors, sponsors, and grantors the support offered through New Hope is free of charge and we welcome all impacted by the death of a loved one. We are incredibly blessed with generous supporters that believe in hope and healing after loss. We thank our donors, sponsors, and grantors for hearing our call to action, bringing financial blessings and bestowing them upon New Hope Center for Grief Support throughout 2023. Your gift of hope has helped thousands of individuals and will help change the way our society responds to grief and loss.

Total Expenses



Total Revenue



Letter from Chairman of the Board...



I am so very proud to be part of this wonderful organization! Having lost my husband in 2019 and going through both the eight-week workshop and the Starting Again sessions, I recognize the tremendous value of having a support system of my peers. I joined the board in 2021, became Chairman of the Board in 2023, my goal is to shape and position our organization for continued success and growth in the future.

Our core participants continue to be in our spouse loss groups; however, our growth in other areas of loss keeps expanding as the needs increase. Our School-Based programs and Circles of Hope (COH) family-centric programs are seeing the largest growth in numbers. With the school-based programs, we are coaching both the administration and educators to identify those students who may need grief support. This includes in-school grief support programs with identified children and teens. Our COH family events for children and their caregivers are continuing to grow and we will be having our first ever parent camp in 2024 to address the needs of parents and caregivers who are supporting children who have lost someone special in their lives.

Our staffing has increased with the addition of new personnel and the reassignment and realignment of positions to meet our programming needs. We now have internship opportunities for college students in related coursework. Our strongest staff ever is poised to continue our mission in the upcoming years; keeping our content current, identifying compelling speakers, adding new programs, and seeking out new needs. Our volunteer and facilitator teams continue to train in grief support and are the true backbone of our organization, coming up with new ways to engage and encourage our participants. We are forever grateful to our entire workplace family of staff, facilitators, and volunteers.

And we are most thankful to our wonderful donors, grantors, and sponsors! Without their continued financial support, we would not be able to help the thousands of grieverers who have gone through our programs. We ask everyone to continue to attend our fundraising events as well, and to get to know the actual people we are helping. Their stories are compelling and uplifting, and we often hear how New Hope gave them hope, healing and the new beginning they need to live fulfilling lives after significant loss. Thank you for being a part of New Hope Center for Grief Support!

Respectfully submitted,
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