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Center for Grief Support

IMPACT REPORT

“From Grief to New Hope” 8-Week Workshop
2025 Fall Session



















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"FROM GRIEF TO NEW HOPE"

8-Week Workshop combines the educational components of a seminar with the safety of a peer group. This workshop is available to adults who are grieving the death of a loved one. This workshop is a safe place to express your grief and begin the healing process. Each session begins with a speaker and then participants break into small groups according to their loss.

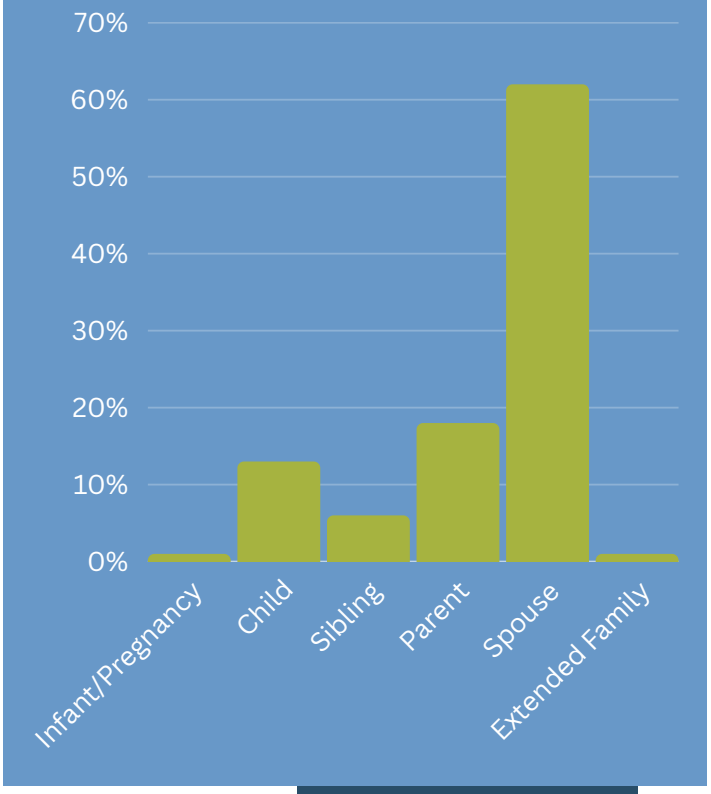
THE IMPACT

100% of participants felt that this was a **safe environment** for them to **express** their **thoughts and feelings**

95% of participants felt like they could **reach out to their facilitator** for questions or additional support

95% of participants are **likely to recommend** this workshop to other bereaved individuals

TYPE OF LOSS:



WE SERVED PARTICIPANTS IN 7 COUNTIES:
OAKLAND, MACOMB, WAYNE, WASHTENAW, MONTCALM, CHARLEVOIX, AND MECOSTA.

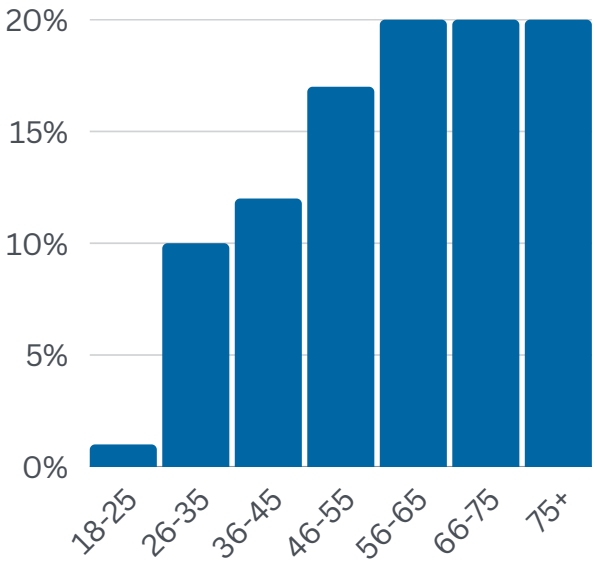








PARTICIPANT AGE:



Participants found their facilitators to be...

- caring
- concerned
- amazing
- empathetic
- kind

> **"The connection with peers and the value of being seen and heard give hope."**
>
> - HOPEFUL PARTICIPANT



88%

of participants can better understand their grief.

WHAT PARTICIPANTS LOVED ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

“It’s great, and I would do the program again.”

“Well organized and thought out.”

“A gem for our community.”

“I LOVED IT!”

“It felt really comforting to be in this circle.”

“Speakers were awesome.”

“Looked forward to coming every week.”

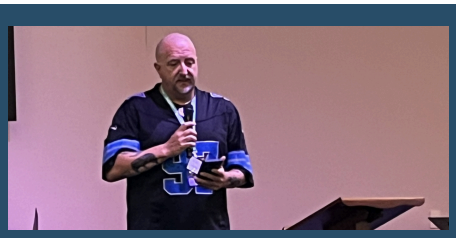
“It is amazing… changed my life…helped me grieve healthier.” -Hopeful Particpant

New Hope served 183 participants.

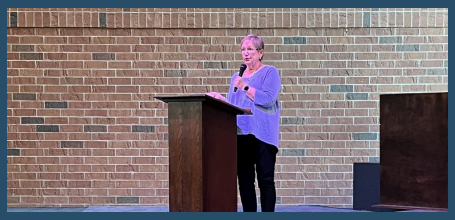
Workshop Speakers



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Kathy Kochanek-McGrath



Week 2
Chris Hawkins



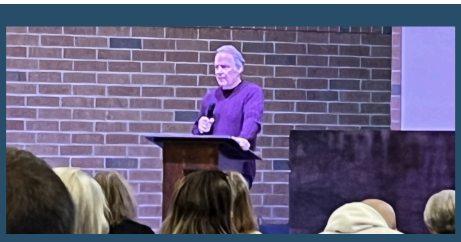
Week 3
Jan Wilson



Week 4
Mark Kornacki



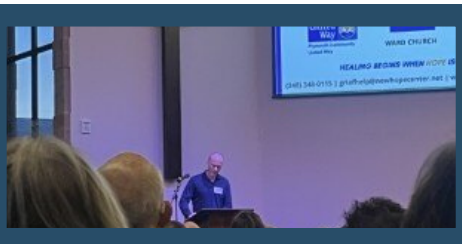
Nancy Hearn
Ward Church



Week 5
Tim Butler



Week 6
Sandra Gulick



Week 7
John Seyfarth



Week 8
Laurel Neitling

THANK YOU

The “From Grief to New Hope” 8-Week Workshop was made possible due to our generous supporters and our **47** volunteer facilitators who committed their time to provide a safe space for those grieving the loss of a loved one to share their stories, connect with others going through similar experiences, and find hope. Your support allows us to continue offering this workshop at no cost to attendees. We cannot express our gratitude enough! This is all made possible by the generosity of those who support our mission to bring **hope**, **healing**, and **new beginnings** to adults grieving the death of a loved one. **THANK YOU!**











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THANK YOU TO OUR HOST:

“Ward Church is a great facility with lots of wonderful volunteers to welcome us, guide us, and transport those of us who have limited mobility.”

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