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# Rea of Hopeline



Dinner and Silent Auction

Embassy Suites - 6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

*The number of women struggling with addiction and/or alcoholism has dramatically increased. Rea of Hope is a proven solution. Our program provides women a path to sustained recovery, saves taxpayer dollars, and reunifies mothers with their children.*

Join us as we host our annual *Miracles on Lee Street Dinner and Silent Auction*. Over 265 women have successfully completed our program since 2005.

To continue making a difference *we need your financial support* as a sponsor, an attendee or as a contributor to our silent auction.

**We anticipate 250 guests at this event---our ONLY fundraiser of the year.**

Your contribution is the lifeline to the fulfillment of our mission.

In appreciation of your gift, we offer exceptional advertising opportunities.

- **\$10,000 Premier Event Benefactor:** 2 tables for event (20 tickets) name in event title & all printed materials, recognition at the podium and on all social media platforms
- **\$5000 Event Sponsor:** 1 table for event (10 tickets) & name in event title & all printed materials
- **\$3500 Platinum Plus Sponsor:** 1 table for event (10 tickets) & recognition in all printed materials
- **\$2500 Platinum Sponsor:** 1 table for event (10 tickets) & recognition in program
- **\$1500 Gold Sponsor:** 6 event tickets & recognition in program
- **\$1000 Silver Sponsor:** 4 event tickets & recognition in program
- **\$500 Bronze Sponsor:** 2 event tickets & recognition in program

We sell out every year! Contact the Rea of Hope at 304-344-5363 to get your tickets now.



## SPOTLIGHT ON GRADUATES

We are excited to announce we had 3 graduates this last quarter. All of them have decided to continue in our program at New Life Apartments. One will be reunited with her child at New Life Apartments. The change we have witnessed in these women is miraculous. They have demonstrated willingness to go to any length and have begun to rebuild their lives. They have described in their own words their individual experiences at the Rea of Hope.

**Jamie M.** - "The most important thing I've learned at the Rea of Hope is that I can choose to get better," she says. "I used to think everyone hated me, but now I realize I just refused to let anyone love me. Now I know I'm worthy and I've learned to just let people love me."

**Abby B.** - "The most important thing I've learned is how to love myself enough to do something different. Enough to feel worthy of the blessings of recovery. Enough to forgive; enough to be forgiven. One day at a time, sometimes one moment at a time. Today, I am a loyal employee, an accountable friend and sister, and a woman worthy of love. I want to be the mother that my daughter deserves and I have the highest hopes for what the future holds."

**Crystal T.** - "Rea of Hope has taught me how to be independent and self-sufficient, and that I am worthy of love. I have gained a sisterhood and support system I've never had before and love from my forever forgiving higher power."



Jamie M.



Abby B.



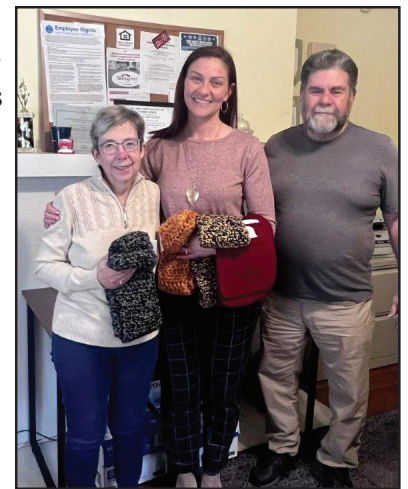
Crystal T.



### COMMUNITY

A special thanks goes to **Truist West Virginia Foundation** for selecting Rea of Hope as recipients of this year's \$1,000 award for Trees & Charities.

**CeCe and Bobby Brown**, parents of Ryan Brown, who our newest property was named after, stopped by with scarves knitted by CeCe and a personal note for our residents. Bobby and CeCe never stop helping others and advocate for recovery in memory of their son, who died from the disease of addiction. We are forever grateful to them.



**Advocacy Day** was at the Capitol this year, and a huge success! Rea of Hope was a Crusader Advocate Sponsor. Our Executive Director, Program Director, Case Manager and one of our Peer Support Specialists represented the Rea of Hope and our premier abstinence-based program.



**Beta Chapter Delta Cappa Gamma Alpha Iota** continues to support our mission and provide for our women and children. We would like to thank them for the gift donations for the children living in our New Life Apartments.



We would like to say thank you to the anonymous board member who ensures our residents receive gifts every year on Valentine's Day! The chocolate covered strawberries never disappoint.

**The Charleston Baptist Temple Sewing Circle** made and donated 9 handmade quilts by.





## THE REA OF HOPE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

hosted their annual Christmas party for staff and residents. Following tradition, the residents oversaw the entertainment. They blessed us with the performance of several songs. Food catered by **The Catering Ladies** and fellowship were enjoyed by all.



Resident Christmas Party

Our annual resident party was also a success. Our residents were all gifted with stockings and gift cards. An anonymous donor from our board donated money to drastically increase the amount of the gift cards! Our gratitude circle never fails to move us, as we share where we were our last Christmas in active addiction, and what we are grateful for now. Addiction devastates families; however, WE DO RECOVER! **River Ridge Bible study group** also joined us, they gifted the ladies' gloves and scarves, as well as an assortment of cookies. **First Presbyterian Church** donated handmade soaps and jewelry from their missionary group in Haiti.



Resident Party

**Girls Night Out** - "Girls Night Out" (GNO) is always a highlight here at the Rea of Hope. Many of us are broken and hurting when we arrive at the Rea of Hope. We like to show the women that it is possible to have sober fun in early recovery. In December, for our GNO we had a Christmas party with our residents catered by **The Catering Ladies**. In January, we went bowling! This is a resident favorite, bringing out the competitors in some of the women. In February, we returned to our annual Cedar Lakes retreat. We enjoyed the fellowship with the recovery community, made new friends, and heard several amazing speakers. Everyone left feeling closer and stronger in our commitment to this new way of life.



## Congratulations to our Rea of Hope residents and grads on their sobriety anniversaries and other achievements.

- Amanda D. ('08) on 15 years of sobriety.
- Stacy B. ('10) on 13 years sobriety.
- Beverly S. ('18) celebrated 6 years!
- Randi J. ('19) celebrated 4 years of sobriety!
- Rea of Hope residents received training in the following this quarter: Stress Management, Anger Management, Boundaries, and Healthy Relationships, and Credit Counseling.

**WAY TO GO, WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU!!!**

### The Rea of Hope Board of Directors:

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**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT:**

- *The Glotfelty Foundation for their grant award in the amount of \$15,000 ensuring we can continue our mission.*
- *The Daywood Foundation for their donation of \$10,000.*
- *The H.B. Wehrle Foundation for their donation in the amount of \$5,000 and continued support.*
- *The CRC Foundation for the special contribution of \$1,500.*

**OTHER WAYS TO HELP:**

Don't forget to like us on Facebook! PLEASE sign up for Amazon Smile and Kroger Community Rewards with the Rea of Hope as your chosen organization.

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SUSTAINING	\$500	plus
SPONSOR	\$1000	plus
MEDALLION	\$2500	plus
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ELITE SPONSOR	\$1000 for 5 years	
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