



For a Brighter Tomorrow  
2018 Annual Appeal

Our vision is a world where all families having loved ones with developmental challenges are ensured access to critically needed support, in a space where children and adults can work toward achieving their highest potential.




## Partnering with Special Families for a Brighter Tomorrow

At HOPE, we understand the intensive demands of caregiving for a child, teen, or adult with developmental challenges. We also know that providing a nurturing environment with skilled and dedicated staff can inspire in children and adults an appreciation of their abilities and a determination to exceed the expectations of their disabilities.

Every day at HOPE, we seek to improve the lives of special individuals and their families by providing high-quality programing while giving parents and guardians a much-needed break so they can tend to their health, marriage, and the well-being of the entire family.

Whether our program participants are getting out into the community through weekend Adventure Club, learning independence and life skills in Cooking Class, or simply sharing the joy of a sleepover with friends at Overnight Respite, the work we do is redefining what support looks like for children and adults living with developmental disabilities and the families that care for them. **Our work is providing our families with a brighter tomorrow.**



*"HOPE provides programs that give us breathing room as a family as well as programs to help our son to feel stronger in himself. Without HOPE we would not be the family we are today."*

— Current Parent

## Our Children's Programs

Where Children are Happy, Safe, Wanted, and Loved

Overnight Respite has long been a cornerstone of HOPE's Children's Programs. It provides children with what may be their only chance to experience a sleepover, while providing their caregivers with a night to themselves. An overnight includes helping to make dinner, playing games, watching movies, baking desserts, and finishing with a pajama party with their friends.

Other Children's Programs include Adventure Club, Snack & Chat, Friends Zone, Brunch Bunch, and more. We serve over 100 clients per week with a range of developmental disabilities from ages 8-21, who travel to HOPE from 58 communities across Massachusetts.

Our Children's programs are heavily subsidized by charitable contributions so that families in need can obtain support without a heavy financial burden. Many of our programs have waitlists.

**Your support in our Annual**

**Appeal has immediate impact on our Children's Programs in allowing us to continue to help more children in need of our services.**



*"Finally after 15 years my daughter has had sleepovers with other girls her age! These Overnight Respite have given her the opportunity to improve her verbal and social skills."*

— Current Parent

## Our Adult Programs

Where Adults Discover Their Special Gifts and Develop Self-Esteem

It is common for adults with developmental challenges to feel isolated. A core tenet of our Adult DayHab Program is helping our clients to become integrated into the community around them. One of the many ways we accomplish this is through Community Based Day Support, where our adults spend time each

week performing service for community organizations such as Meals on Wheels, the local food and pet pantries, and more. These service initiatives provide our adults with a tremendous sense of accomplishment and at the same time fill a valuable service need.

While many of our adults receive subsidies to attend our programs, these do not cover the full cost to run our programs. Additionally, the unmet need for programs like HOPE is great, as evidenced by our substantial waitlist.

**Your support in our Annual**

**Appeal allows us to continue to offer the level of quality programs our adults thrive in, and to expand our capacity to serve more individuals.**



*"There is no glass ceiling. We want to show clients and the community that the possibilities really are endless."*

— Courtney Coan,  
Adult Program Manager



## I Can Do That!

Our Adult Program's cooking class is just one opportunity to learn and practice life skills and independence. Each Tuesday, participants work as a group to plan the meal they will prepare that week and identify the ingredients they'll need. On Wednesday, they visit the local market to purchase from their list, practicing important life skills like paying for supplies and making change. Thursday is cooking day, where under the guidance of our devoted staff and volunteers, our special chefs prepare their meal to be served to everyone at The House that day. **From learning proper kitchen etiquette to learning to use real cutlery, our Cooking Club is continuously developing critical skills in our enthusiastic chefs.**

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