

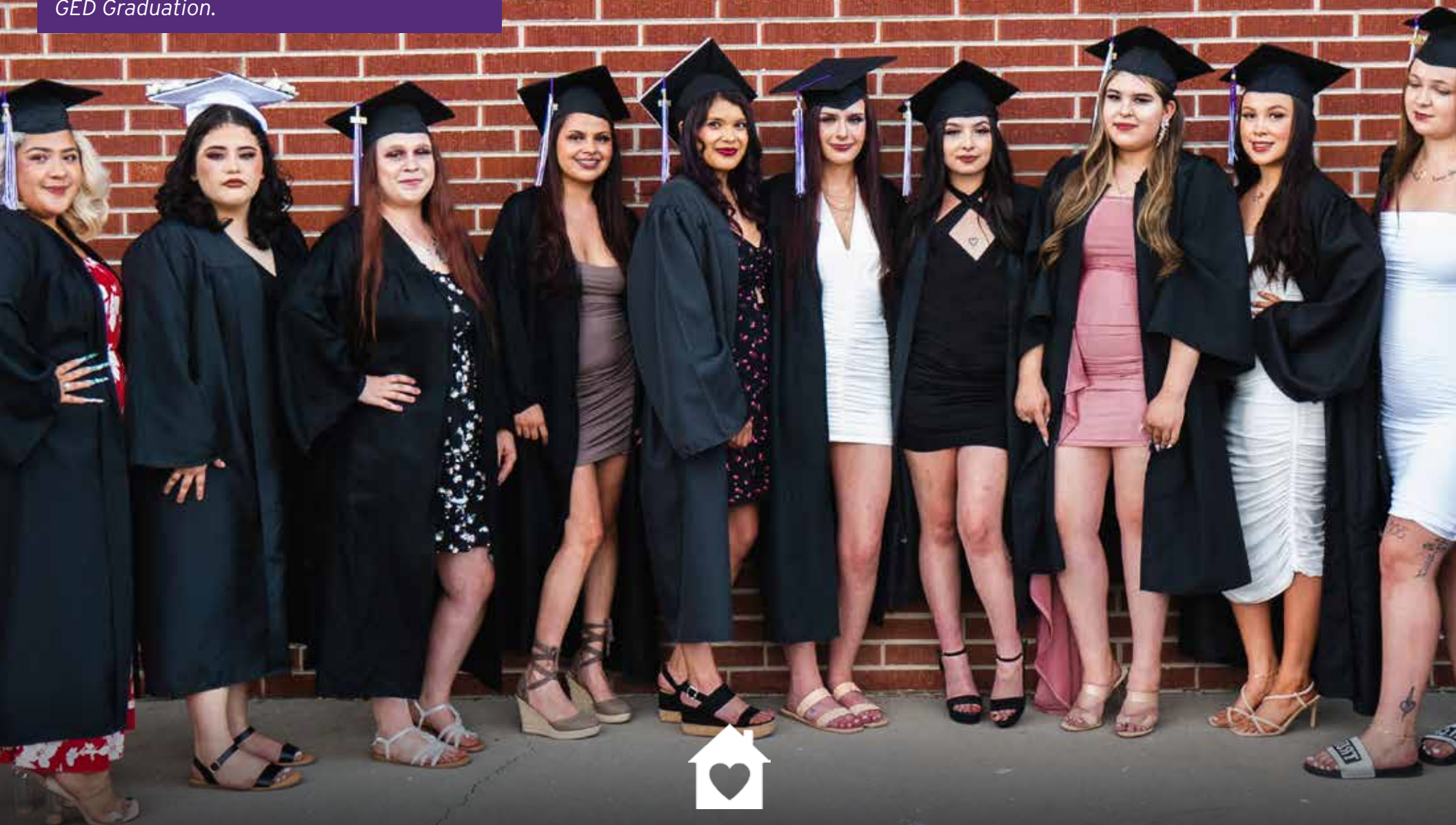


HOPE  HOUSE
COLORADO

2022
ANNUAL REPORT

Cover note: Teen Mom Fatima with her son Julian.

Pictured here: Teen moms celebrating after the May 2022 High School & GED Graduation.



Hope House Colorado empowers parenting teenage moms to strive for personal and economic self-sufficiency and to understand their significance in God's sight, resulting in a healthy future for them, and for their children.

A LETTER

FROM OUR FOUNDER & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As I reflect on all that we accomplished at Hope House Colorado in 2022, I feel a deep sense of gratitude for you, our champions, and an overwhelming pride in our teen moms and staff. 2022 was truly an *incredible* year.

In February, we received a miracle lead gift of \$1 million and launched a capital campaign to build a new Early Learning Center, raising \$4.1 million of a \$5.4 million campaign before year-end! In 10 short months we designed the plans and got the required approvals to break ground on an 11,000-square-foot Early Learning Center. The center will serve 104 of our Hope House children, effectively removing one of the biggest barriers to self-sufficiency (groundbreaking in April 2023, opening in mid-2024).

In 2022, we filled several open positions and the energy and enthusiasm at Hope House abounds! We completed a huge project to move from an old-style server to the cloud; we completed an annual financial audit with no recommendations; and we *finally* set up an **endowment fund** through Integrity Wealth Management! We are now able to accept your legacy gifts, knowing they will sustain our ministry in serving teen moms far into the future!

Seventy new teen moms joined Hope House in 2022, many of whom were struggling with increased domestic violence and a sharp increase in housing instability. To meet the increased need, we developed a new Housing Support Program, hiring Megan Scheltinga, one of our Residential Program alumni, as housing navigator. The new program includes our historic Residential Program, and has increased our city-wide partnerships and access to housing supports.

By year-end we served 227 teen moms and a record 200 children, incorporating early intervention specialists, a therapy dog program (Hope House Hounds) and additional supports for school-aged children. In 2022, 26 children enrolled in full-time child care, 72 teen moms received help with legal advocacy, 19 teen moms graduated with their GED or high school diploma and 14 moms completed a college degree or certification! ALL of our teen moms experienced the love of God, the joy of being celebrated, the warmth of our volunteers and the generous support of YOU, our Hope House champions!

Thank you for coming alongside our teen moms and their little ones in such an amazing way in 2022! Together we are breaking the cycle of poverty for two generations!

Blessings,



Lisa Steven
Founder & Executive Director



EMPOWER PROGRAM

Personal Growth

Classes specialize in increasing teen moms' self-awareness so that self-confidence can flourish, which positively impacts all other aspects of life.

31 teen moms participated in faith-based activities (i.e. Bible studies, Faith Week and Faith Nights).

Healthy Relationships & Licensed Counseling

63 teen moms participated.

412 counseling sessions provided.

Community Building

136 teen moms participated in Community Building activities.

High School & GED Program

26 teen moms participated.

19 graduates.

73% graduation rate, compared to the national average of 50%.

College & Career Program

54 teen moms enrolled in higher education.

17 teen moms received degrees or certifications.

Economic Support & Financial Literacy

\$98,589 in direct assistance provided (i.e. housing support, transportation, basic needs, children's needs and legal expenses)

Legal Advocacy

72 moms served.

88 legal matters resolved.



HOUSING SUPPORT PROGRAM

Residential Program

17 teen moms served.



Housing Support Program

80 teen moms served.

27 teen moms received rent assistance.

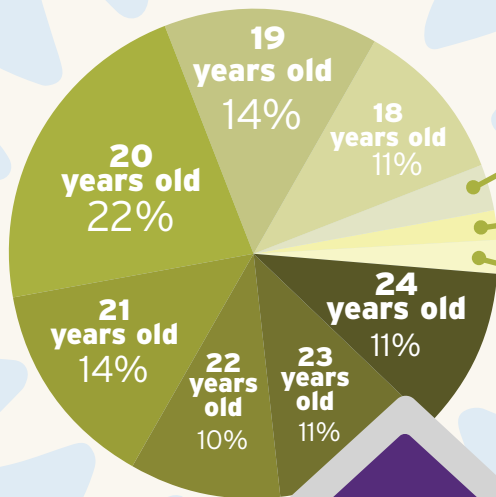


EARLY LEARNING & SCHOOL AGE PROGRAM

A record-breaking 200 children served.

26 children successfully transitioned into full-time child care.





AGES SERVED

All teen moms must start in our program before age 21. We serve moms until age 25.



WE SERVED
227
TEEN MOMS



WE SERVED
338
CHILDREN



200
CHILDREN SERVED
IN OUR EARLY
LEARNING PROGRAM

63%

OF MOMS GREW
IN PERSONAL
SELF-SUFFICIENCY

70

NEW TEEN
MOMS FOUND
HOPE HOUSE

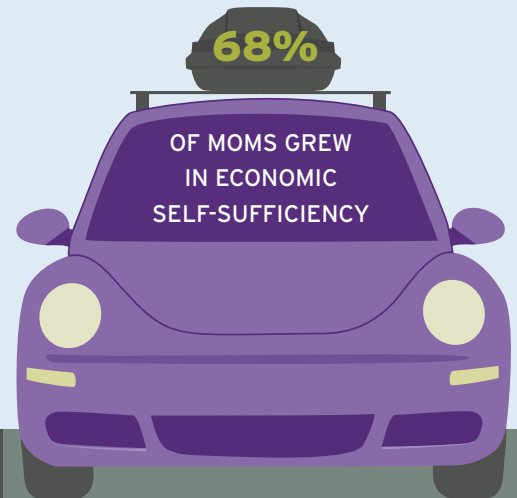


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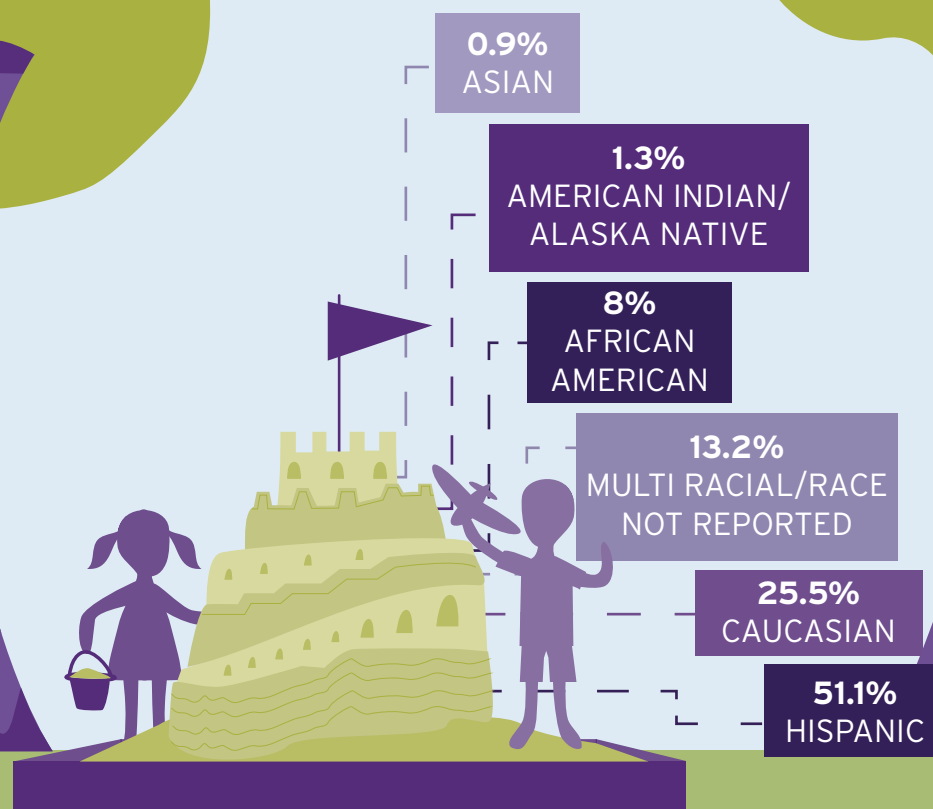
OF TEEN MOMS
WERE ENGAGED IN
TWO OR MORE
PROGRAM AREAS

68%

OF MOMS GREW
IN ECONOMIC
SELF-SUFFICIENCY



ETHNICITIES SERVED



The three biggest barriers on a teen mom's path to self-sufficiency are child care, housing and transportation. In 2022, we worked to remove these barriers for all of our teen moms, and on the next few pages we will highlight how three teen moms were able to move forward toward self-sufficiency last year!

ALYISSA, ANALIYAH & AMINA

Hope House teen mom Alyissa wanted to pursue higher education but was struggling to find a place for her daughters, Analayah (4) and Amina (1) to receive quality early learning. Very few centers were taking Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP) funding, and Alyissa felt stuck. Hope House staff were determined to help Alyissa achieve her self-sufficiency goals, so they helped make numerous calls, went on tours and asked hundreds of questions in search of valuable CCCAP spots for Alyissa's girls. **Around Analayah's third birthday, Alyissa found a CCCAP spot for her at Jeffco Head Start.** Alyissa knew, however, that she would also have to find a spot for Amina too.

Thanks to continued support and help from Hope House staff, Alyissa was able to find an additional spot for Amina at Head Start. Four months later, Alyissa started working at the same center, pursuing her Child Development Associate (CDA) certification to become a certified teacher's aide through Red Rocks Community College.

"I am so blessed and thankful for Hope House, because without that extra push in finding child care, I wouldn't have two full-time spots for my babies, [and I wouldn't be] pursuing a career in child care."



Alyissa joined Hope House in 2018



2023

FATIMA & JULIAN

Fatima joined Hope House in 2019.



Fatima, who got pregnant when she was 15 and became a teen mom at 16, felt alone throughout her childhood, and this was compounded by tough living situations. Fatima remembers the intensity of the weeks after the birth of her son Julian (3). **Their living situation was not safe or healthy, and Fatima knew that something needed to change.** They couch-surfed for a while, bouncing from one temporary living situation to another, all while Fatima was struggling with postpartum depression and continued family struggles.

Eventually, Fatima found Hope House. She applied for and was accepted to the Hope House Residential Program. Fatima and Julian moved into the house and started making friends with other moms and staff. Fatima was able to build trust with a staff member, and older teen moms in the house became mentors and guides as she navigated motherhood.

After 18 months in the Residential House, Fatima and Julian moved into an apartment by themselves. Today, Fatima is paying a portion of her rent and Hope House is paying the remainder. Hope House also helped Fatima with the down payment for her apartment. As Fatima continues to see increases in her income, she will pay more of her monthly rent until she is paying full rent for her unit.

By having these supports in place, Fatima can be devoting time to work and pursuing self-sufficiency for herself and Julian without worrying about simply making ends meet in order to avoid eviction.



2023

MYA & JASMINE

Mya grew up in an environment where asking for help was a sign of weakness. When she found out she was pregnant at 18, she was intent on making ends meet and figuring everything out on her own because her familial relationships were strained and unhealthy. **Shortly after turning 19, Mya gave birth to her daughter Jasmine.**

When Jasmine was four weeks old, Jasmine's father left them; and when he came back around again, he only made things worse. He wrecked Mya's financial credit by taking out a \$5,000 loan and buying a car in her name without her consent. In the same week, Mya was laid off from work and unable to afford rent.

With Jasmine's father no longer in the picture, **Mya had no one to turn to for help. After exhausting all possible options, Mya reached out for help from Hope House after hearing about it from a friend.** She began participating in classes that taught her about parenting and how to create healthy relational boundaries. As she met other moms and heard their stories, she no longer felt completely alone.

A few months later as Mya was driving around town, she was hit by an uninsured drunk driver who totaled her car. She bought her parents' run-down vehicle, but the brake pads would dislodge from the brakes and spew fluid whenever she tried to brake. **With Hope House's help, Mya was able to get her car serviced at Urban Autocare and avoid substantial repair fees she could not afford.**

Today, Mya is working while pursuing her career goal of becoming a loan signing agent. Jasmine is a lively 3-year-old who will be attending a language immersion school next year. When Mya is able, she enjoys coming to Hope House to attend classes or help other teen moms with their taxes.



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

In 2022, we hosted our three annual fundraising events and experienced great success **thanks to the generosity of our amazing champions!**

9th ANNUAL HOPE HOUSE 5K & FUN RUN

On May 7th, we gathered together at Lake Arbor Park in Arvada, Colorado to enjoy a morning of running and walking to empower teen moms.

We collectively raised over \$68,000 with the help of sponsors, participants and peer-to-peer fundraisers. This event continues to be a fun event located 'right in our backyard' where serious runners, casual joggers, low-key walkers and smiling kids in strollers can enjoy the day!

JOE COORS HOPE HOUSE CLASSIC

In July, our annual golf tournament took place for the seventh year at Sanctuary in Sedalia, Colorado. Twenty-eight foursomes enjoyed a day on the beautiful course and then enjoyed a dinner and live auction to close out the evening. **Over \$240,000 was raised to empower teen moms!**

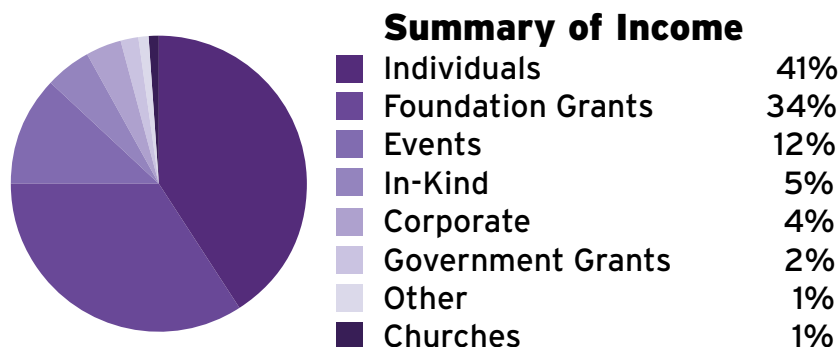
20TH ANNUAL RENUNION GALA

In October, our annual gala took place at the Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel. **The 2022 Reunion Gala hosted over 450 guests who enjoyed a cocktail hour, followed by a three-course meal in the hotel's ballroom.** Following dinner, a special appearance from teen moms and their oldest child who were served during each year of Hope House's existence came on stage to share what they are up to now. They were a visual representation of what it looks like for our teen moms to break the cycle of poverty for themselves and their children! One of our current teen moms, Maritza, shared her powerful story with our guests that left us all speechless and inspired by her poise and strength. Founder & Executive Director Lisa Steven spoke to guests about the amazing journey of Hope House over the past two decades, and what the future holds as we work to transform the lives of two generations! A fun live auction and dance party finished off the evening. **Through the collective generosity of auction donors and bidders, sponsors and attendees, the 2022 gala raised a record-breaking \$500,036!**

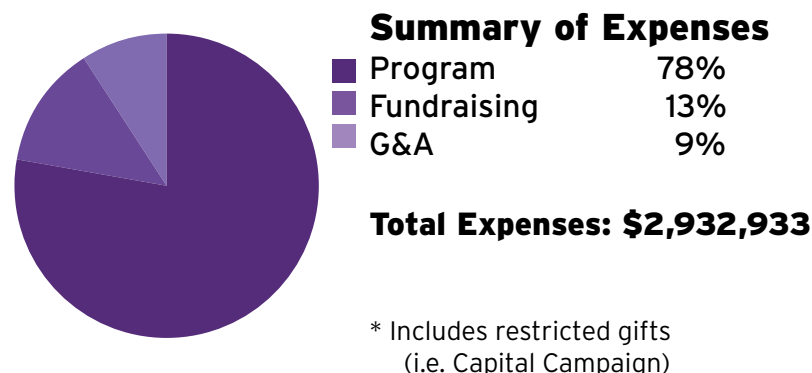


FINANCIALS

"Thank you to all of our champions that gave generously this past year; because of your gifts we raised a record amount for our annual operating needs and were able to raise over \$3 million to match the Ackerman gift for the new Early Learning Center. God is good, and we are so grateful that we can continue serving more teen moms and even more children in the coming years!" - Lisa Schlarbaum, Director of Development



Total Income*: \$5,267,436



MAJOR CHAMPIONS (\$7,500+)

- A-1 Chipseal Co.
- American West Construction, LLC
- Anonymous (9)
- Benevity Community Impact Fund
- Eric & Lindsay Bernum
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- Diane Buckalew
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2022 Grant Funders

Program & General Operating Grants:

- Adams County Foundation
- Anonymous (2)
- Anschutz Foundation
- Broomfield Community Foundation
- Broomfield Crossing Rotary
- Buell Foundation
- City of Arvada
- City of Westminster
- Colorado Bar Foundation
- Colorado ReImagine
- Community First Foundation
- ENT Credit Union Community Fund
- F & J Allegretti Foundation
- John G. Duncan Charitable Trust
- Louis & Harold Price Foundation
- MAXIMUS Foundation
- Premier Members Credit Union
- Spirit of Christ Catholic Community
- TyL Foundation
- Virginia Hill Foundation

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Pictured here: Gen Hope, our 20- and 30-somethings group, having fun planting fruits and vegetables in our Community Garden last summer.



Help us give hope.♥

As we work to alleviate the three major barriers on a teen mom's path to self-sufficiency, we invite you to contribute in the following ways:

WELCOME a teen mom into her new apartment by putting together a Welcome Home Basket. Scan the QR code to see more information, like items to include and drop-off instructions!



GET INVOLVED in the Early Learning Center Capital Campaign by giving a one-time donation or multi-year pledge. See adjacent page for more information about the campaign!



DONATE a vehicle or gas card.



MORE INFORMATION?

Please contact info@hopehousecolorado.org

In 2022, **401** volunteers gave **5,667** hours of their time and provided **12,576** meals.

WHAT'S AHEAD

In January 2022, we received an unexpected and totally miraculous matching gift of \$1 million to launch a capital campaign to build an 11,000-square-foot Early Learning Center on our campus in Arvada. This center will provide full-time child care for up to 104 children and allow our teen moms to attend school or work full-time, removing one of the biggest barriers they face on the path to self-sufficiency!

Thank you to the Hope House champions who have committed to helping us make the new Early Learning Center a reality!

The gifts below were *made or pledged* from January 2022 to April 2023. All personal and business gifts are eligible for the Colorado Child Care Tax Credit (CCTC).

\$1,000,000+

- Bill Ackerman Estate

\$500,000+

\$250,000+

- American West Construction
- Anonymous (2)
- Community First Foundation
- EON Foundation
- Richard Lumsden Foundation

\$200,000+

- Anonymous
- Buell Foundation
- Ideker Family Foundation

\$100,000+

- Eric & Lindsay Bernum
- TyL Foundation

\$50,000+

- Coors Foundation
- Ed & Carol Gubanich
- Rich Inman & Mindy Brown
- Chris & Brittany Johnson
- Chris & Sandy King
- KNU Foundation
- Steve & Rita Prokopiak

\$25,000+

- Doug & Terrie Ideker
- Dana & Christine Jensen
- Rosi Rogers
- David & Doris Van Valkenburg
- Weifield Foundation

\$10,000+

- Wayne Anderson
- Arvada Economic Development Association (AEDA)
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- Platt Family
- Mark & Brenda Reid
- Schlarbaum Family
- Spahn Family
- John & Lisa Steven
- Erik & Jennifer Zertuche

\$5,000+

- Anonymous
- Jerry & Jackie Kehl
- Debbie Misrack

\$2,500+

- Chris & Ginger McShane
- Matt & Stephanie Trowbridge

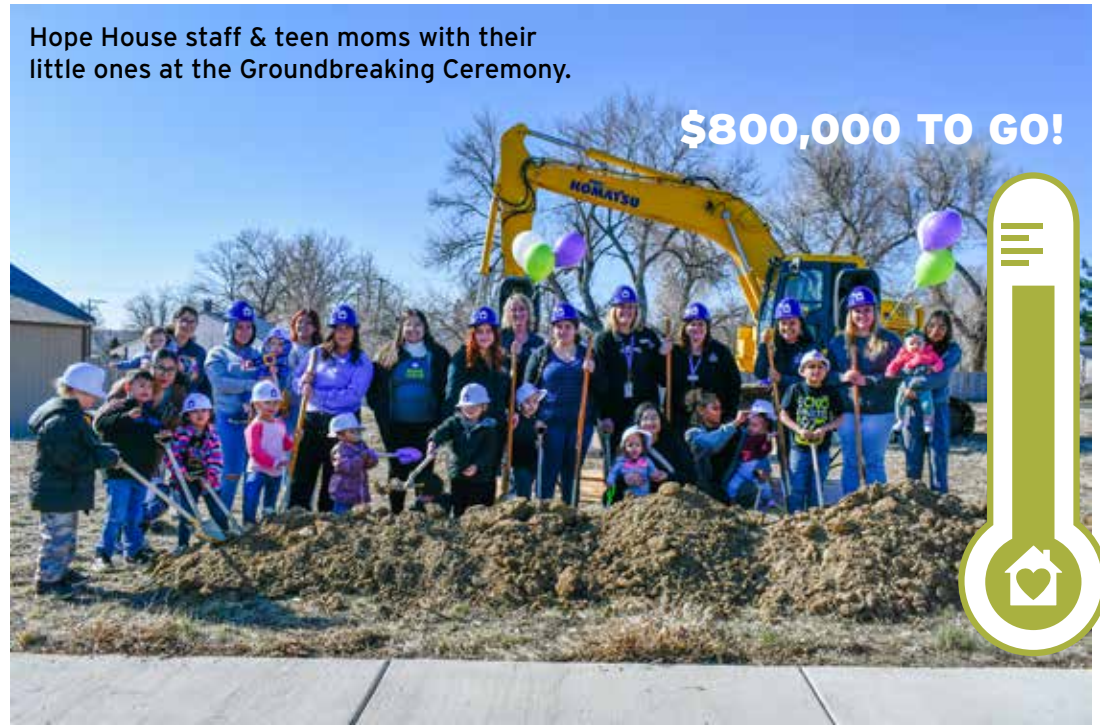
IN-KIND

- Ground Engineering
- Lange Land Surveys
- MC+ Engineering
- Mark Tomko/Valor Landscape Co.

TOTAL FUNDS RAISED TO DATE:

\$4,592,331

Hope House staff & teen moms with their little ones at the Groundbreaking Ceremony.





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