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# ANCHOR OF HOPE FOUNDATION



## **2017 PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**Serving the 1 in 6 Facing Developmental Disability**

#GiveHope #Servethe1in6 #Celebrate1in68 #ChallengeBlue

## Dear Community Partner,

YOU, as a community partner, make our vision and desire to celebrate and encourage a reality. In our 10<sup>th</sup> year, we look forward to facilitating and witnessing a stronger community; one that goes beyond awareness to acceptance and inclusion.

This packet contains information about where Anchor of Hope Foundation is now, the new opportunities made available through our partnership programs, and our dreams for a monumental and celebratory 10<sup>th</sup> year.

### A LETTER FROM OUR FOUNDERS

Steve and Debbie Harbin founded Anchor of Hope Foundation in 2007, originally named Nathan's Dream and Jacob's Hope Foundation. They know firsthand the difficulties and discouragements of raising a child with special needs. They also greatly value the joys and blessings Jacob brings to their family. **Enclosed** is more of their heart they would like to share with you.

### CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF SERVING THE 1 IN 6

Since 2007, Anchor of Hope Foundation has been blessed with the ability to love and serve families facing developmental disability throughout Georgia and beyond. The need for services and support has never been greater, as 1 in 6 children today meet criteria for diagnosis according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. **Enclosed** is a brief history of how we have worked to walk hand-in-hand with the individuals and families we serve while providing hope in the process.

### NEW WAYS TO PARTNER WITH ANCHOR OF HOPE FOUNDATION

We have changed the way individual and corporate partners join in our mission to #ServeThe1in6. Also, we are excited to share that we have added new events, flexible payment options, and additional programs to allow for more opportunities to partner! **Enclosed** is more information about the best way for you or your corporation to give hope and joy in 2017.

### PROGRAMS & OFFERINGS – HOW DO YOU WANT TO #GIVEHOPE

If you are looking for other ways to get involved with Anchor of Hope Foundation, we have a variety of ways that you can affect lives and #GiveHope. There is a list **enclosed**, but we encourage you to visit our website ([www.anchorofhopefoundation.org](http://www.anchorofhopefoundation.org)) throughout the year to learn more about upcoming events and opportunities.

Please contact our office with any questions. Thank you again for making the last 10 years full of growth and of hope and joy. Blessings to you!

Katie Magee  
Executive Director  
February 27, 2017

## A Letter from Our Founders

We want to share our story with you of how Christ continues to be our Anchor. He fills us with hope for the future, providing amazing blessings and granting joy for the journey even in the midst of the clouds of confusion, the depths of doubt, the grip of grief, the tears of torment, and the storms of sadness.

Because we knew that one in six children has a developmental disability, we should not have been surprised that our sixth child, Jacob, was diagnosed with autism. This one son changed the trajectory of our life. Jacob was, and remains, the Chief Inspirational Officer for Anchor of Hope.

Over the years we began to realize all the specialists, therapies, medicines, time, money, and even our desperate prayers were limited and unable to "reach" our son in a meaningful way. We saw him sinking away from us, drowning in the "sea of autism;" being pulled away from us in a riptide of sensory, brain and body disconnect, and pain. It seemed like it was always just outside of our reach. Refusing to give up on him, we began to ask ourselves, "What really is this anchor of hope we desperately need?" "What we can hope in?" "What brings us hope?" Without hope there is no point of living. **What anchors our hope is knowing the end of our story and working toward that end with certainty (Hebrews 6).** We are passionate to share a little of our history, but now, more so, our new found hope, because our community is joining us to help many other families like ours.

Anchor of Hope started with a large vision and small beginnings. Four of us sat around our kitchen table and began to ask families what they needed and how we could help. Family moved back to help. Donors were faithful. Dayspring supported. Outreach grew as the word spread. God was and is faithful and blesses! Today our impact is almost \$70,000 in financial scholarships, 100+ hours of education and training, hundreds of relationships, increased awareness, eight Autism Awareness Festivals, hours of counseling and advocacy, 40+ Parent's Night Out events, and a Family Support Group. Some volunteers have even switched college majors because of their Parents' Night Out experiences. **However, there is so much more to do!**

This is why we need **YOU! You are Anchor of Hope! You** are the hands and feet of Parent's Night Out. **You** are the heart of the festival, bringing the community together to support one another. **You** are the brains to create new ideas of how to grow to meet the onslaught of needs we expect in the future.

So many families struggle in desperate silence, longing to know that someone cares. So many young people with a disability sit alone at home after graduation with no future opportunities. There are so many requests for scholarships that we must deny because of higher demand. There are so many needs. **This is why we cannot do it without you! WE NEED YOU!** We need **you** to move forward into the next ten years with Anchor of Hope to sustain us, and for you to grab hold of the hands around you to bring **"Hope for the future and Joy in the Journey."**



*Steve & Debbie Harbin*

## Celebrating 10 Years of Serving the 1 in 6

We cannot believe that Anchor of Hope Foundation is celebrating 10 years of service! Our mission as a Christian organization is to provide financial and spiritual support, encouragement, community resources, and services to individuals and their families living with disabilities. We do that through a variety of programs and events. Below are some highlights of how God has used Anchor of Hope Foundation to carry out our important mission.

### HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2007 ON!

#### BRAIN INTEGRATION CONFERENCES

In 2008 and 2009, Anchor of Hope Foundation hosted Brain Integration Conferences to assist parents and professionals in developing and providing strategies to aid individuals with disabilities.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL CARE SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2009, our Board of Directors, fueled by the desire to closely partner with families, launched the Supplemental Care Scholarship Program. Each awarded scholarship is \$250.00, which is just a drop in the bucket compared to the extra \$3,000 - \$25,000 it costs parents and caregivers per year to raise a child with special needs. For all parents and caregivers, an awarded scholarship is truly a "Yes!" in a world filled with "No." To date, almost \$70,000 has been awarded through 289 scholarship! We hope to hit the milestone of 300 scholarships awarded in 2017.

#### AUTISM AWARENESS FESTIVAL



In order to raise money to support the growing scholarship program, the first Autism Awareness Festival was hosted in 2010. Our first year included a local resource fair, seminars, a kids' play area, and a tag sale. In 2013, we introduced our 5k trail run and the festival grew into more of a resource/craft fair, with entertainment, various vendors, a kids' play area, and enticing food options. In 2015 our festival grew even more, and featured our first ever mud run!

#### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT RESPITE PROGRAM



In 2012, Juli Reynolds, our first Executive Director, observed a great need in the community for respite care, which brought about our Parents' Night Out program. PNO is a FREE respite program open to individuals with disabilities. Siblings are welcome, too! Parents and caregivers can appreciate a few hours to themselves while leaving their children in the care of responsible, trained volunteers.

### GOLF TOURNAMENT



In October 2012, we hosted our first ever charity golf tournament to raise funds for our expanding programs. River Forest Golf Club remains the location for our annual tournament, and has grown every year since its inception. This event has evolved to include tournament prizes, raffle items, and contests, too!

### STAFFING

In 2012, we reached the exciting milestone of hiring our first Executive Director, Juli Reynolds! Her experience growing up with Jacob, which inspired her career as an occupational therapist, gave us invaluable insight and direction. In 2014 we welcomed our first payroll employee, Office Manager Lindsey Hoyt. 2015 saw more changes and blessings as Juli, expecting her second child, transitioned to Program Director, and Katie Magee-Harden accepted the position of Executive Director. Katie started with Anchor of Hope as a Board Member and was excited to transition into a leadership role with the foundation.

### IEP BOOTCAMP

To better help families navigate Individual Education Plans (IEP), Anchor of Hope hosted an IEP Bootcamp. With the guidance of an attorney well-versed in the rights of parents and caregivers of individuals with special needs, we helped parents develop an understanding of their rights to protect, educate, and develop their child.

### NIGHT TO SHINE RESPITE ROOM

We began to furnish the respite room for Night to Shine sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation in February 2016. Night to Shine is a prom for individuals with special needs ages 14 and older. This magical night crowns every attendee as a King or Queen of the prom, since this is how God views each and every one of them, and we could not agree more! The respite room is a place that caters to the needs of the guests' parents and caregivers. It has been a blessing to give them a quiet space to relax, enjoy a cup of coffee or tea, and regroup!

## New Ways to Partner with Anchor of Hope Foundation

In honor of our 10 years of hope and joy at Anchor of Hope Foundation, we will coordinate and provide 10 Community Touches in 2017 in hopes of creating community for and around the families we serve. Our goal is to educate and inspire the community; we want to create a movement that begins but doesn't end with awareness. Our desire is for those with special needs to feel accepted and included in our community.

### Our 10 Community Touches Include:

1. Forsythia Festival
2. Fire Pit Raffle
3. #ChallengeBlue
4. Autism Awareness Festival
5. Sensory Friendly Event Series
6. Volunteer Thank You Celebration
7. Golf Tournament
8. 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala
9. #GivingTuesday
10. Wall of Hope

As part of this mission, we set out to customize your partnership experience in a way that best fits **YOU**. We have different partnership levels to choose from, along with modified payment plan options. As always, we encourage you to apply your pledge to one or more events or programs of your choosing.



# ANCHOR OF HOPE FOUNDATION

## Celebrating 10 Years of Hope & Joy

### 1. PICK YOUR PARTNERSHIP LEVEL



Anchor of Hope Foundation is primarily donor-funded, and your sponsorships and individual donations allow us to continue in our mission to serve the 1 in 6 facing developmental disability. This year, we have changed the way we partner with our community support, to make your partnership with Anchor of Hope as personal, and convenient, as possible.

Annual Pledge	Monthly Payment (optional)	Autism Awareness Festival	Golf Tournament	Sensory Experiences	10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala	Parents' Night Out	Scholarships
\$25,000	\$2,500	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓
\$10,000	\$1,000	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓
\$5,000	\$500	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓
\$2,500	\$250	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓
\$1,000	\$100	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	
\$500	\$50	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓	
\$250	\$25	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓		
\$100	\$10	⚓	⚓	⚓	⚓		

### 2. PICK YOUR PAYMENT PLAN



This year, we are giving our partners the option to make a one-time donation or monthly payments from March to December (10 payments). Commit to your annual amount and pay in whichever method is best for you.

### 3. APPLY YOUR PLEDGE



Do you have a specific event or program that speaks to you or gives you hope? **See the Sponsorship Levels** at the back of this packet for some examples of annual pledges (with monthly payment breakdowns) applied to specific events and programs.

## Our Programs & Offerings

### AUTISM AWARENESS FESTIVAL - \$100 and up\*

The Autism Awareness Festival, held annually on the last Saturday in April, is a day of promoting community awareness, acceptance and inclusion through education about developmental disability. The festival also provides a place to foster friendships and show families facing developmental disability love and support. The festival includes a resource/craft fair, kids play area, 5k trail race, family fun run, local and professional entertainment, and food vendors.

### GOLF TOURNAMENT - \$100 and up\*

Join us on Columbus Day for a day of golf and fellowship on the beautiful River Forest golf course! The Anchor of Hope Foundation Golf Tournament is hosted at the River Forest Golf Club in Forsyth. The proceeds from the tournament serve families with children who have special needs through growing our existing Scholarship and Parents' Night Out programs and allowing us to develop new programs to meet the needs of our special needs community.

Prizes include cash for the top three winning teams, clubs for longest drive and closest to pin, a 50/50 raffle, and a variety of door prizes.

### SENSORY-FRIENDLY EXPERIENCES - \$10 and up\*

Sensory Processing Disorder causes the brain to struggle receiving and responding to information that comes in through the senses. Some people are more sensitive to things in their environment. Common sights, sounds, or smells can be painful or overwhelming.

Many individuals with autism have sensory processing disorder, so we are offering a series of sensory friendly events to provide opportunities for families who have kids with special needs to go to the movies, enjoy a cook-out, and fellowship in a safe, encouraging environment. By sponsoring a sensory-friendly event, you will provide memories and excitement for many families in Middle Georgia who often have to forego these events.

### 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY GALA - \$100 and up\*

In order to celebrate Anchor of Hope Foundation's 10<sup>th</sup> year, we are planning a 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala to say THANK YOU! This celebration will not only highlight and thank the ones who helped Anchor of Hope reach this exciting milestone, but we plan to share our vision for the next 10 years with you! Please sponsor a table or purchase tickets for a night full of laughter, celebration, and hope!

\*See Sponsorship Levels for a more specific breakdown

### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT - \$30 and up\*

Parents' Night Out is a FREE respite program open to children with disabilities and their siblings. The program is held from 6:00 - 9:00 PM on the first Friday of the month at Dayspring Presbyterian Church. Parents can enjoy a break and have a night to be "normal" while leaving their children in the care of responsible volunteers. Children not only enjoy activities such as open gym play, crafts, music, and special entertainment, but also have the undivided attention of a trained volunteer who is dedicated to making sure they have fun.

- The program started in 2012 with 3 attendees, and now averages 30 attendees and 50+ volunteers every month.
- Volunteers who set out to bless parents receive the greater blessing of serving. Many have even changed their college majors to studies which directly affect the needs of our families.

### SUPPLEMENTAL CARE SCHOLARSHIPS - \$250 and up\*

Since 2009, our supplemental care scholarship program has provided families facing developmental disability up to \$250 per calendar year to help with therapies, equipment, or supplements that are needed but not covered by insurance or Medicaid. This is our way of saying "Yes!" to families who so often only hear "No."

- 286 scholarships have been awarded since our start in 2009.
- In total, our families have received almost \$70,000 in funding.
- We've helped families throughout Georgia and throughout the United States.

This year we are offering individuals and corporations the opportunity to fund a named scholarship! You can provide a scholarship in your own name or in honor of a loved one or your company name for \$250 per month! We are letting you decide if you would like to set restrictions or designations for the use of the scholarship. Our goal is to create connections between families and our donors, and we believe this accomplishes that in a very special and hopeful way.

\*See Sponsorship Levels for a more specific breakdown

Ways You Can Partner to #Servethe1in6

VOLUNTEER



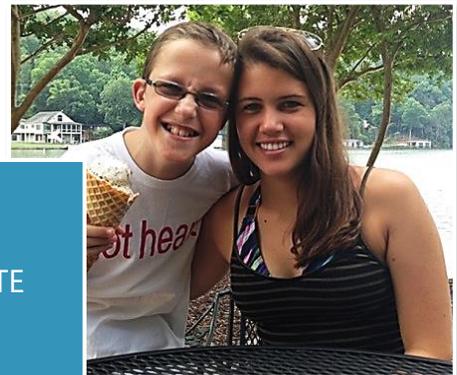
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GOLF IN THE TOURNAMENT



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# Anchor of Hope Foundation Sponsorship Registration Form

## Apply Your Pledge

(Please complete this form and e-mail, fax, or mail it to Anchor of Hope Foundation)

**TOTAL PLEDGE** \$

I authorize Anchor of Hope Foundation to use the above designated donations to sponsor the corresponding event during the year 2017 as it sees fit to further its mission and principles.

I pledge the above amount:  Annually  Monthly (March – December)

I, , as the sponsor, understand that I will receive the applicable sponsorship opportunities described in this sponsorship packet. As a sponsor, I agree to provide a **digital logo** for promotional advertising for this event.

OR:  I want my sponsorship to remain anonymous.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Company Name

Contact Person  Title

Mailing Address

City  State  Zip

Phone  ( ) -  Fax  ( ) -

Email

Company's Website (if applicable)

### PAYMENT METHOD

Please indicate a payment method and complete the following payment information.

Pay by Check

Pay by Credit Card

Make **checks** payable to Anchor of Hope Foundation.

Or charge a **credit card**:

Master Card

VISA

American Express

Discover

Credit Card Number

Expiration Date

CSC  (last 3 digits on back of card)

Billing Address (if different from above):

**SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS**

Please apply your pledged amount to an event. You may break your pledge down into as many events as you would like!

Autism Awareness Festival

- Captain's Choice - \$2,500.00
- Anchors Away - \$1,000.00
- Purposeful Partner - \$500.00
- Joyful Journeyer - \$250.00
- Hopeful Helper - \$100.00
- In Kind Donation (please specify item type, quantity, and monetary value below):

Golf Tournament

- Platinum - \$2,500.00
- Gold - \$1,000.00
- Silver - \$500.00
- Bronze - \$250.00
- Hole Sponsor - \$100.00
- Prize Sponsor – in kind value of \$150+ (please specify item type, quantity, and monetary value below):

Parents' Night Out

- Provide Funds to Purchase a Volunteer Dinner - \$150.00
- Provide Funds to Purchase Snacks & Activity Supplies – \$50.00
- Cover Facility Rent - \$100.00

Please describe your In Kind Donation or Prize Sponsorship:

If you chose a Parents' Night Out sponsorship, please indicate the month(s) for which you would like to provide the indicated support:

- April  May  September  October  November  December  As Needed

10<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Gala

- Diamond - \$10,000.00
- Platinum - \$2,500.00
- Gold - \$1,000.00
- Table Sponsor - \$500.00

Scholarship Sponsor

- 10 Scholarships - \$2,500.00
- 8 Scholarships - \$1,000.00
- 2 Scholarships - \$500.00
- 1 Scholarship - \$250.00

- Designate this amount for the general scholarships fund
- I'd like to fund a scholarship named for\*
  - Myself
  - A loved one
  - My company

\*If you choose this option, we will contact you to continue the process.

I, as the sponsor, understand that I will receive the applicable sponsorship opportunities described in this sponsorship packet. As a sponsor, I agree to provide a **digital logo** and/or name for promotional advertising for this event unless I have chosen to remain anonymous as indicated in this sponsorship packet. I authorize Anchor of Hope Foundation to use designated donations as it sees fit to further its mission and principles within the guidelines I have set in this sponsorship packet.

Signature

(By typing my name in the above box I signify it as my legal signature)

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All donations are tax deductible.  
All registration forms may also be completed online at  
[www.anchorofhopefoundation.org](http://www.anchorofhopefoundation.org).



## Anchor of Hope Foundation Autism Awareness Festival & 5k Trail Race Sponsorship Levels

### Captain's Choice ~ \$2500.00 & Up

- Exclusive booth location at the festival
- Corporate name and logo on all event promotions\* from date of commitment  
*\*includes event billboards, flyers, graphics, newspaper ads, brochures, emails*
- 1 year of recognition on Anchor of Hope's website Home Page
- Gift from Anchor of Hope
- Sponsor's name & logo on race t-shirt
- Sponsor's name on stage banner
- Announcer acknowledgement at race and festival
- Recognition in Anchor of Hope's quarterly and monthly newsletters
- 4 complimentary race entries with race t-shirts
- Recognition on AOH website's Autism Awareness Festival page

### Anchor's Aweigh ~ \$1000.00 & Up

- 1 year of recognition on Anchor of Hope's website Home Page
- Gift from Anchor of Hope
- Sponsor's name & logo on race t-shirt
- Sponsor's name on stage banner
- Announcer acknowledgement at race and festival
- Recognition in Anchor of Hope's quarterly and monthly newsletters
- 4 complimentary race entries with race t-shirts
- Recognition on AOH website's Autism Awareness Festival page

### Purposeful Partner ~ \$500.00 & Up

- Recognition in local newspaper
- Sponsor's name & logo on race t-shirt
- Sponsor's name on stage banner
- Announcer acknowledgement at race and festival
- Recognition in Anchor of Hope's quarterly and monthly newsletters
- 2 complimentary race entries with race t-shirts
- Recognition on AOH website's Autism Awareness Festival page

### Joyful Journeyer ~ \$250.00 & Up

- Sponsor's name on race t-shirt
- Recognition in Anchor of Hope's quarterly and monthly newsletters
- 1 complimentary race entry with race t-shirt
- Recognition on AOH website's Autism Awareness Festival page

### Hopeful Helper ~ \$100.00 & Up

- 2 complimentary Anchor of Hope t-shirts
- Recognition on AOH website's Autism Awareness Festival page

### In Kind Donation

- Donation of items that can be used for arts and crafts, door prizes, prizes for children, or food/drink for 5k/fun walk participants



## Anchor of Hope Foundation Golf Tournament Sponsorship Levels

### Platinum Sponsor ~ \$2500.00 & Up

- Exclusive booth location at the tournament
- Corporate name and logo on all event promotions\* from date of commitment
  - \*includes event flyers, graphics, newspaper ads, brochures, emails*
- Announcer acknowledgement at tournament
- Gift from Anchor of Hope
- Team of four
- 1 year of recognition on our website's Home page
- Recognition in the local newspaper
- Signage at the event
- Recognition in our quarterly and monthly newsletters
- Recognition on our website's Golf Tournament page

### Gold Sponsor ~ \$1000.00 & Up

- Gift from Anchor of Hope
- Team of four
- 1 year of recognition on our website's Home page
- Recognition in the local newspaper
- Signage at the event
- Recognition in our quarterly and monthly newsletters
- Recognition on our website's Golf Tournament page

### Silver Sponsor ~ \$500.00 & Up

- Two golfers
- Recognition on our website's Home page
- Recognition in the local newspaper
- Signage at the event
- Recognition in our quarterly and monthly newsletters
- Recognition on our website's Golf Tournament page

### Bronze Sponsor ~ \$250.00 & Up

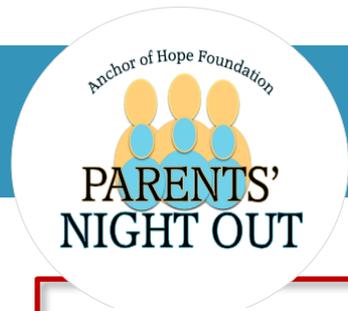
- One golfer
- Recognition in the local newspaper
- Signage at the event
- Recognition in our quarterly and monthly newsletters
- Recognition on our website's Golf Tournament page

### Hole Sponsor ~ \$100.00 & Up

- Signage at the event
- Recognition on our website's Golf Tournament page

### Prize Sponsor\* ~ valuing \$150 or more

- \*prizes for longest drive, closest to pin, raffle, or in groups of four for golf teams*
- Signage at the event
- Recognition on our website's Golf Tournament page



## Anchor of Hope Foundation Parents' Night Out Sponsorship Opportunities

Parents' Night Out is the only FREE respite care available for many families with special needs. Though the program only lasts 3 hours, these three hours are invaluable! In order to keep this program free, there are three main costs involved.

By helping us cover these costs, you allow us to direct more resources to funding scholarships, which are in higher demand than ever, and to developing our growing Parent Support Group and intended Social Skills Group.

### Provide Funds to Purchase a Volunteer Dinner ~ \$150.00

Before each Parents' Night Out event, we provide training and dinner for an average of 50 volunteers. The training includes a review of fundamentals necessary to keep both volunteers and participants safe and specific details tailored to the children registered for that evening. The dinner serves as our thank you to the volunteers for their willingness and dedication to serve these families.

### Provide Funds to Purchase Snacks and Activity Supplies ~ \$50.00

We average 35 kids attending Parents' Night Out each month. During the evening, they rotate through various stations filled with fun and engaging activities, including arts and crafts, active play, science, and fine motor skills. The extra supplies needed for each station must be purchased each month.

We also provide a snack. Many children with developmental disabilities have dietary restrictions, so we must be diligent and specific with the brands of snacks we purchase in order to eliminate ingredients to which many children attending are allergic.

### Cover Facility Rent ~ \$100.00

The Dayspring Presbyterian Church campus is the perfect place to host Parents' Night Out. Its classrooms offer the perfect breakdown for stations that include activities such as arts and crafts, science, snack, and active play. The grounds are set back from the road, which makes it safe for outdoor activities during warmer months. The location is also centrally located for the families serve. In order to utilize these facilities, the church charges a flat rate of \$100 per month.