



# Hope FOR Minds

SUPPORTING KIDS AFTER BRAIN INJURY

## Q2 IMPACT REPORT | APRIL - JUNE 2026

### A LETTER FROM OUR FOUNDERS

As we reflect on the second quarter of 2026, we are filled with gratitude for each of you who believes in the mission of Hope for Minds. Because of your generosity, children with brain injuries and their families are finding hope, connection, education, and support when they need it most.

This quarter has been a season of meaningful growth. We expanded our reach to more families across the country, strengthened partnerships, launched new support opportunities, and continued building resources that help families navigate the challenges of pediatric brain injury.

Every accomplishment highlighted in this report is possible because of donors like you. Your faithful support makes it possible for Hope for Minds to provide financial assistance, host support groups, offer educational resources, and walk alongside families on their recovery journey.

Inside this report, you will read stories of hope, see the impact of your generosity, and learn about exciting new developments, including the launch of The HUB powered by HealthDesk and preparations for our 10th Annual Making Connections Pediatric Brain Injury Conference & Resource Fair.

Thank you for believing in this mission and for helping us continue to bring hope to children and families nationwide.

Our deepest gratitude,  
Ronda Johnson  
Tim Siegel



**Tim Siegel, co-founder, and Ronda Johnson, Executive Director, at our Making Connections Pediatric Brain Injury Conference & Resource Fair in Austin, Texas.**



# YOUR IMPACT AT A GLANCE

Every number tells the story of a child, a caregiver, or a family who found hope, support, and connection because of your generosity. During the second quarter of 2026, your investment helped Hope for Minds continue expanding our reach and meeting families where they are on their journey.

**910** individuals served.

**36** new families welcomed.

**21** support groups hosted.

**56** caregivers and family members connected through support groups.

**51** families applied for Luke's Legacy Grants.

**15** families requested emergency financial assistance.

**\$19,723.14** given for Luke's Legacy Grants.

**\$27,531.71** in emergency funding.

**TOTAL GIVEN: \$47,254.85**

## YOUR INVESTMENT IN ACTION

### FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

Connecting families with personalized guidance, trusted resources, and compassionate support throughout their journey.

### THE HUB BY HEALTHDESK

Helping families navigate complex care with confidence.

### LUKE'S LEGACY GRANTS

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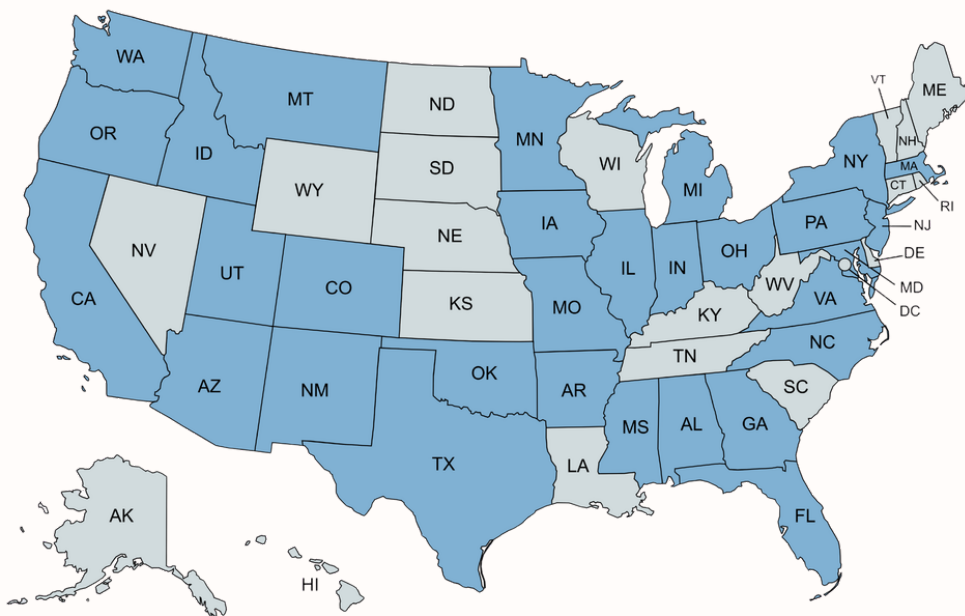
### BRAIN INJURY EDUCATION INITIATIVE

Equipping caregivers, educators, healthcare professionals, and advocates with life-changing knowledge.

### MAKING CONNECTIONS PEDIATRIC BRAIN INJURY CONFERENCE & RESOURCE FAIR

Helping families access education, community, and hope through travel scholarships and meaningful connections.

## HOPE ACROSS THE NATION



No two brain injuries are alike, and neither are the families we serve. Some need financial assistance for therapy, while others seek emotional support, educational resources, or simply another parent who understands. Your generosity allows Hope for Minds to meet families where they are and provide support tailored to their unique journey.

***Every statistic in this report represents a child, a caregiver, or a family whose life was impacted because of supporters like you.***

# YOUR GENEROSITY IN ACTION

BECAUSE OF YOU, HOPE REACHES FAMILIES WHEN THEY NEED IT MOST

## LUKE'S LEGACY GRANTS

### Nine Families. Nine Stories of Hope.

Every day, families facing pediatric brain injury make impossible decisions such as balancing therapies, medical appointments, travel, adaptive equipment, and everyday expenses while doing everything they can to help their child recover.

Because of your generosity, nine families received a Luke's Legacy Grant during the second quarter of 2026. These grants provided critical financial assistance, giving families access to therapies, specialized care, and resources that might otherwise have been out of reach.

Every grant represents more than financial support. It is a reminder that someone believes in their child, stands beside them, and is investing in their future.



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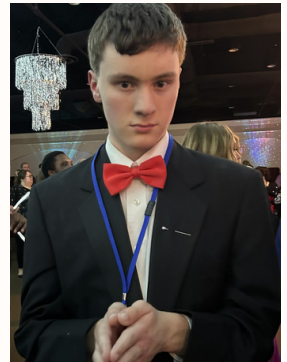
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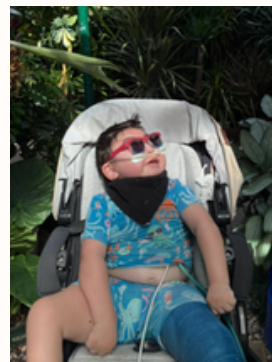
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## YOUR IMPACT

***"It is so wonderful that there are people like Hope for Minds out there who are helping. We wouldn't be able to do things like this NAPA Intensive without a grant." - Liam's Mom***

***"Hope for Minds gives me motivation to never give up on my baby. Thank you guys." - Nariyah's Mom***

Thank you for making hope tangible. Your generosity helps families access life-changing therapies, overcome financial barriers, and focus on what matters most—helping their children heal and thrive.

# WALKING ALONGSIDE FAMILIES EVERY STEP OF THE JOURNEY

**Behind every phone call, every resource shared, and every family served is a team committed to ensuring no family faces pediatric brain injury alone. This quarter, our Family Support Services Team continued to build meaningful relationships, expand access to care, and create new opportunities for connection across the country.**



## **Natalie Proshek, Mental Health & Support Services Specialist**

This quarter, Natalie helped expand Hope for Minds' reach by developing a new partnership with the Georgia Brain Injury Association. Through ongoing collaboration, the organizations are working together to support families throughout Georgia following the launch of the Association's new pediatric brain injury program.

Hope for Minds is proud to extend our virtual support groups to the families now being served by the Georgia Brain Injury Association. Together, we will also share educational resources and collaborate on future events designed specifically for children with brain injuries and their families.

Looking ahead, Natalie and Tim Siegel are partnering with local neuroscience facilities throughout the Atlanta area to host community collaboration events this summer. These gatherings are designed to educate healthcare professionals, community organizations, and local partners about the children and families Hope for Minds serves, while fostering trusted partnerships that connect families to the resources and

support they need throughout their recovery journey.

By building strong partnerships with organizations across the country, Hope for Minds is ensuring that more families have access to the education, emotional support, and community they deserve regardless of where they live.



## **Hannah Fallgren, Family Support Coordinator**

This spring, Hannah partnered with our newest community partner, Inspire Chiropractic and Dr. Shah Khan, to establish Hope for Minds' first in-person support group in the Dallas area. Launching on July 10, these gatherings will provide parents and caregivers with a welcoming space to connect, share experiences, and find encouragement from others who understand the journey of pediatric brain injury.

In her day-to-day work, Hannah provides individualized support to families as they navigate the challenges of recovery. One family she worked with was searching for answers after their daughter developed precocious puberty following an acquired brain injury. Hannah connected them with another Hope for Minds family who had experienced a similar diagnosis and helped locate research, educational resources, and a children's book that empowered the family and reduced their sense of isolation.

She also supported another family facing behavioral challenges and financial barriers to therapy after their child sustained a brain injury in a motor vehicle accident. Through ongoing guidance, practical resources, and a Luke's Legacy Grant, the family was able to begin parent management therapy and cognitive behavioral therapy while continuing to work toward their goals.

Through compassionate support, trusted relationships, and personalized resources, Hannah helps families find hope and confidence as they navigate life after brain injury.

# COMMUNITY IMPACT THROUGH EVENTS

## LUBBOCK WENT ALL IN



On May 2nd, Hope for Minds hosted its first-ever All In For Hope Casino Night in Lubbock, transforming our longtime concert fundraiser into an exciting new community event. Guests enjoyed an evening of fun while raising critical funds to support children with brain injuries and their families.

One of the most meaningful moments of the evening came as Somer Gaskins shared her family's journey, the impact Hope for Mind and our Making Connections Pediatric Brain Injury Conference & Resource Fair has had on their lives. Her story

reminded all of us that the support of our community provides families with hope, connection, and resources when they need them most.

Thank you to our sponsors, volunteers, and everyone who helped make our inaugural Casino Night a wonderful success. We're already looking forward to next year!

## AUSTIN DROVE HOPE FORWARD



We held our 15th Annual Hope for Minds Golf Tournament on May 11, which brought 180 golfers to Onion Creek Golf Club for a beautiful day of golf, fellowship, and giving back. More than just a tournament, the event celebrated the incredible community that comes together each year to support children with brain injuries and their families.

We are especially grateful to the many volunteers who generously gave their time to make the day a success. Their dedication reminds us that every act of service helps create hope for the families we serve.

This year's tournament also welcomed our new community partner, Hawkeye Health. Sean Sullivan, founder of Hawkeye Health and creator of the HealthDesk program, volunteered throughout the event, demonstrating the shared commitment our organizations have to improving the lives of children with brain injuries and their families. Learn more about our exciting partnership and the HealthDesk program in the What's New section of this report.

Thank you to our golfers, sponsors, volunteers, and community partners for helping us continue to make a meaningful impact one family at a time.



# WHAT'S NEW THIS QUARTER

## A NEW ERA OF FAMILY SUPPORT

### INTRODUCING THE HUB, POWERED BY HEALTHDESK

At Hope for Minds, we believe support doesn't end when a child leaves the hospital. Families deserve ongoing guidance, trusted resources, and compassionate relationships that walk beside them throughout every stage of recovery.

That's why we are proud to introduce The HUB, powered by HealthDesk—a first-of-its-kind digital platform designed specifically to support children with brain injuries and their families. Following months of collaboration with Hawkeye Health, families began joining The HUB on July 1, marking an exciting new chapter in how Hope for Minds delivers personalized support.

The HUB is **not** designed to replace the personal relationships families have with our Family Support Services team. Rather, it is designed to strengthen them by streamlining communication, organizing resources, and providing families with personalized tools. The HUB allows our team to spend more time doing what matters most: listening, encouraging, educating, and walking alongside each family on their journey.

Families now have access to a personalized digital experience that delivers tailored educational content, connects them with services and community resources, provides insurance navigation support, enables secure messaging, and empowers them to share their experiences while strengthening their voice within the pediatric brain injury community.

Beyond supporting individual families, The HUB is transforming how Hope for Minds understands and responds to the needs of the community we serve. Secure, real-world insights help us identify unmet needs, measure outcomes, strengthen programs, and advocate for better support and services for children with brain injuries and their families.

As Sean Sullivan, Founder of HealthDesk, shared:

***"HealthDesk is honored to partner with Hope for Minds... Together, we're building a platform that helps ensure every family stays connected, supported, and engaged throughout their journey."***

Together, Hope for Minds and Hawkeye Health are creating more than a digital platform! We are building a connected community where innovation enhances human connection, families remain at the center of everything we do, and every child has access to the support they deserve.

Our Families



Resources  
Support  
Community

### WHY THE HUB MATTERS

- Centralizes a family's care journey
- Connects families to trusted resources
- Improves communication and care coordination
- Strengthens engagement with Hope for Minds
- Identifies unmet needs to improve future services

### HELP US EXPAND THE HUB

Your investment will help bring this innovative resource to more families navigating pediatric brain injury. Please contact Shanna Melton, Director of Development to learn more about partnership opportunities: [shanna@hopeforminds.org](mailto:shanna@hopeforminds.org)

# WHERE HOPE FINDS COMMUNITY

## CELEBRATING THE 10TH ANNUAL MAKING CONNECTIONS PEDIATRIC BRAIN INJURY CONFERENCE & RESOURCE FAIR



The Making Connections Pediatric Brain Injury Conference & Resource Fair is the only conference of its kind in the United States created exclusively for children with brain injuries, their families, caregivers, and the professionals who support them.

For ten years, this one-of-a-kind event has brought families together to discover innovative therapies,

learn from leading experts, build lifelong friendships, and find hope in a community that truly understands their journey.

### LIGHTING THE WAY FOR FAMILIES

No family should miss this life-changing experience because they cannot afford to attend.

Through our **Light the Way Campaign**, Hope for Minds provides travel scholarships that help cover transportation and lodging, ensuring families can access the education, resources, and community they deserve.

Thanks to the generous support of **The Moody Endowment**, **82 families** have already received travel scholarships to attend this year's conference.

*"Before I came here, I didn't know what therapy my son needed. At the conference, I discovered the Feldenkrais Method—and it was like God handed me the answer."* - 2025 Travel Scholarship Recipient

Every scholarship helps a family find knowledge, connection, and hope that lasts long after the conference ends.

## NEW WAYS TO MAKE AN IMPACT

# GOLD4GOOD

Hope for Minds is proud to partner with Gold4Good, giving supporters a simple way to transform unwanted or broken gold jewelry into travel scholarships for families attending the conference. Every donation helps remove financial barriers and brings another family into a community where hope begins.

More information coming over the next few weeks.

## WEAR HOPE. SHARE HOPE.



Our new Hope for Minds merchandise collection gives supporters another meaningful way to champion our mission. Every purchase helps raise awareness for pediatric brain injury while supporting programs that provide education, connection, and hope to families across the country.

<https://hopeforminds.org/get-involved/visit-our-store.html>

# UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

## 5K Color Run, Walk, Roll

August 22 | Lubbock, Texas

## North Texas Brain Injury Education Symposium (Free)

August 27 | Plano, Texas

## Making Connections Pediatric Brain Injury Conference & Resource Fair

September 25-26 | Austin, Texas

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