What is Circle of HOPE?

Circle of HOPE (Helping Others through Partnership and Engagement) is Carpenter’s Shelter’s family-centered giving group. Founded in 2010 by three Alexandria mothers concerned about local homelessness, Circle of HOPE provides parents and children the opportunity to support the shelter through donations, acts of service, and community outreach.

What activities does Circle of HOPE host?

Circle of HOPE hosts both kid-friendly and adults-only activities that take place at-home and in the shelter. Signature events include the Cocktails & Canned Goods Event to restock the food pantry, Thanksgiving Food Basket Assembly for our shelter graduates, and marching in the annual Scottish Christmas Walk. Families also prepare bagged lunches for our working residents, host lemonade stand fundraisers, and support our largest fundraiser of the year, Carpenter’s Cook-Off.

How can I get my family involved?

If you would like to get involved with Circle of HOPE, visit Carpenter’s Shelter online at www.CarpentersShelter.org and click the large, lime green “Donate” button. When the donation form loads, select “Circle of Hope: $250” under “Enter A Gift Amount.” Then complete the form and submit! This one-time annual gift will establish your membership for a full year. Once you’ve established your membership, the group’s co-chairs will connect with you.

Have Questions?

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