

Huge Grants Announcement

Hope Haven is thrilled to announce that we have received two major multi-year grants totaling more than \$700,000 to support our work.

The first, a grant of \$500,000 from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for a partnership between Hope Haven (HH) and the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), will fund a project that treats and evaluates adolescent victims of sexual abuse and assault. Teenagers who have experienced sexual trauma, are at increased risk for substance abuse, mental illness, school dropout, teen pregnancy and crime. The NIH grant will allow HH to give critical, life-changing services to nearly 600 adolescents over four years.

The second grant of \$216,000 from the Children’s Trust of South Carolina will fund the implementation of Strengthening Families Program, an internationally recognized parenting program for families with children aged 6-11. Designed to provide families with concrete parenting support, the program is proven to reduce child abuse and neglect through training on parenting and family life skills.

The program is proven to reduce problem behaviors, delinquency, alcohol and drug abuse in children, while improving social competencies and school performance. The 100 local families (with 250 children) participating over three years will develop a safe and strong family.

“This is huge and hopeful news for families in South Carolina and is the result of an enormous amount of hard work by our staff and volunteers,” said HH Executive Director Shauw Chin Capps. “This funding will allow us to greatly expand our reach as we work to strengthen our community through healing the trauma of abuse, violence and neglect and promoting safe, healthy and stable families through research based services.

Sun City Award

Sun City Hilton Head’s Government and Business Affairs Committee (GBAC) honored Hope Haven during its Lowcountry Community Recognition event on October 2 at the Lakehouse Ballroom. GBAC hosted the event to honor those in the community who make a difference. Thank you, Sun City, for this recognition and support!



Executive Director Shauw Chin Capps accepts Sun City Award

Volunteer Opportunities

Hope Haven is looking for volunteers to serve as advocates for victims of child abuse and sexual assault. Volunteers will serve as advocates to child abuse and sexual assault victims and must complete Hope Haven’s 25-hr volunteer training in January 2014. Volunteers will be trained to answer crisis calls from Hope Haven’s 24-hr hotline and accompany victims at the hospital. During the training, volunteers will get the chance to learn from experts in the Law Enforcement, Counseling and Medical fields as they discuss their role in helping victims of child abuse and sexual assault. The volunteer training also includes multi-media presentations, group discussions and role plays to equip volunteers with the skills necessary to help victims in crisis situations.

For more information and to register for the January 2014 Hope Haven volunteer training, please contact Christine Smith by email at: hope9@islc.net or call (843) 524-2256.

Staff/Volunteer Spotlight

We want to highlight two outstanding Hope Haven staff members! Jeanne Garifallou and Lori Miller are part time support staff members at Hope Haven.



Lori Miller



Jeanne Garifallou

Both ladies started their journey at Hope Haven as volunteers and have excelled as volunteer advocates in the community. Jeanne began volunteering with Hope Haven in February 2012 and Lori began as a Hope Haven intern/volunteer this past summer.

As Hope Haven support staff, Jeanne and Lori enter data, answer phone calls, and manage Hope Haven’s lobby by making families’ time at Hope Haven as comfortable as possible. Thanks so much to Jeanne and Lori for their dedication and service to child and

STAFF

- Shauw Chin Capps,  
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*Director of Prevention and Outreach*
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*Therapist*
- Kristin Dalton, PNP,  
*Child Abuse Medical Provider*
- Mary Beth Hefner,  
*Forensic Interviewer/Therapist*
- Marian Lindsey,  
*Coordinator of Victim Services*
- Sarah McKenna,  
*Intake Coordinator/ Family Advocate*
- Christine Smith,  
*Sexual Assault Outreach Specialist*
- Nicole Smith,  
*Family Advocate*
- Jeff Spargo,  
*Violence Prevention Specialist*
- Jeanne Garifallou,  
*Program Support Staff*
- Lori Miller,  
*Program Support Staff*
- Kendra Twitty,  
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- Mandy Renteria,  
*Therapist*
- Meghan Young  
*Therapist*
- Sitha Patel  
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Did you know Hope Haven has a list of needed items posted on Amazon?

Simply go to Amazon.com, hover over the “Wish List” icon on the top right and select “Find a Wish List” from the pull down menu. Type “Hope Haven of the Lowcountry” in the search field on the right and our wish list will appear! All donations are tax-deductible.





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# Hope Haven Fall 2013 Newsletter

## Words of Hope

"Before coming to Hope Haven my autistic son had a lot of aggression; no discipline techniques we tried worked. He had no interest in playing with me, cuddling with me or just interacting in general. It was stressful, heartbreaking and at times made things very tense for our entire family. I felt our situation was hopeless.

After receiving Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) at Hope Haven, life is better than I could have imagined. My son and I have a great bond now. He includes me in his play and his aggression is nearly non-existent. His speech has improved because of all the interaction we have throughout the day. Hope Haven changed my life. It has helped our family so much and I couldn't be more grateful."



Hope Haven PCIT mother and son

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### From the Desk of the Executive Director

It is hard to believe that August 13, 2013 marks my 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary as executive director of Hope Haven. Time flies when you're having fun!

I am truly humbled and honored to have served this amazing organization over the past 10 years. This mile marker gives me an opportunity to look back at all the positive growth and to look forward to the possibilities and potentials still ahead.



**Chauw Chin Capps, MSW**  
Executive Director

When I first walked into Hope Haven's office in 2003, there were three staff members trying to provide services to five counties. Our budget was about \$220,000. Today our budget is \$950,000! Our staff has grown from three to 14 full-time and two part-time. Over the last 10 years, Hope Haven has served close to 4,000 direct victims of child abuse and sexual violence and more than 5,000 secondary victims. Those numbers are overwhelming, but in many ways, it is hopeful to see the impact one organization can have on the lives of so many victims and their loved ones.

Our work continues and the demand for our services grows each year as more victims need to find healing. We are proud of our growth because it means we can meet the needs of more victims. We are proud to continue the trend of implementing the evidence/research based programs that ensure our clients are receiving the best treatment possible.

As you flip through the pages of this newsletter, I hope you sense the joy and pride of being an integral part of the growth of Hope Haven. YOU, our loyal supporters, have made this growth possible. YOU have given the gift of hope and healing to so many.

### Changing the Culture of Violence

The Men of Strength (MOST) Clubs have started a new school year! At this time, we have ten clubs at seven different schools in Beaufort and Jasper Counties including Ridgeland Hardeeville High School, Hardeeville Ridgeland Middle School, Lady's Island Middle School, Whale Branch Middle School, Whale Branch Early College High School, Beaufort High School, and Battery Creek High School. The Men of Strength (MOST) Club is a best practice violence prevention program for mobilizing young men to prevent sexual violence, dating violence, and bullying.



Hope Haven is implementing the Girls Circle program at Whale Branch Middle School and Lady's Island Middle School! Girls Circle is a structured support group for girls designed to build self-esteem and healthy relationships with peers, counter trends toward self-doubt, and allow for genuine self-expression through discussion and creative activities. Girls Circle members will hold discussions and activities based on topics such as sexual abuse, dating violence, human trafficking, and bullying.