

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER Spring 2025



HopeHealth Hosted Streater Community Center Grand Opening



HopeHealth and the **Greater Florence Chamber of Commerce** hosted a Grand Opening and Business After Hours event at the newly-opened Streater Community Center. Located at 301 N. Dargan Street, the Streater building has a rich African American history dating back to 1904. HopeHealth purchased the building in 2018 and, with support from the state, embarked upon a renovation project. **The Streater Community Center** is used to strengthen community engagement and enhance the availability and accessibility of programs focused on underserved populations such as seniors, Veterans, and Black men. Close to 20 members of the Streater family were in attendance for this special event (pictured).

Yvonne Van Camp Quality Improvement Award



Alanna Scott, PharmD, received the 2024 Yvonne Van Camp Quality

Improvement Award for Advancement in Medication Safety. As Director of Clinical Pharmacy, Dr. Scott is dedicated to constant improvement within our pharmacies. Among other accomplishments, she helped streamline the prior authorization process, ensuring our patients receive their medications in a timely manner. To learn more about our pharmacies and the expert care we provide, visit **hope-health.org/pharmacy.**

A Collaborative Approach To Mental Health





Meridith Graham, LMSW

Dalina Rainey, LISW-CP

HopeHealth **behavioral health consultants** Meridith Graham, LMSW, at HopeHealth in Kingstree, and Dalina Rainey, LISW-CP, at HopeHealth in Orangeburg, are partnering to facilitate community offerings. The providers recently offered a workshop focused on diversity awareness, emotional intelligence, and implicit bias in the workplace. This workshop was provided as part of an initiative to reduce the stigma around mental illness and lead behavioral health awareness through advocacy, education, and community service. They plan to continue to offer more of these community workshops in the future.

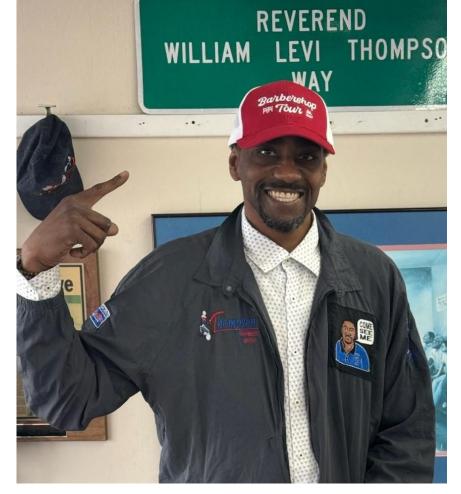
HopeHealth offers integrated behavioral health counseling services at locations throughout Florence, Williamsburg, Orangeburg, Aiken, and Clarendon Counties to help meet your mental, social, and emotional needs. To learn more, visit hope-health.org/behavioral-health-services.

HopeHealth At The Manor



HopeHealth is excited to announce a new partnership with **The Manor**, a premier retirement community in Florence, to provide on-site primary care services. Dana Jones, FNP-C, a family nurse practitioner and certified dementia practitioner (pictured), will serve as the provider at this location, with physician assistant Atalee Jones, PA-C, providing primary care as well. Stay tuned for more information about **HopeHealth at The Manor**.

Heart Healthy Barbershop Tour Sees Success



William Thompson, Thompson's Barber Shop

Revamped in 2024 by Community Health Worker Terrance Legette, the **Heart Healthy Barbershop Tour** has expanded its men's health focus on education, care coordination, community outreach, and advocacy—meeting men where they are and empowering them with tools to take charge of their health. With generous funding from **TD Bank**, this program made a direct impact by providing heart health education and hands-on blood pressure training for barbers and community members, as well as free blood pressure monitors. Most importantly, there was continued engagement through follow-up calls and support, keeping participants on track with their health goals. Originally piloted in 2023 with a group of 22 men, the program saw remarkable growth in 2024, increasing participation to **102 participants.** Of those:

- **59%** stayed engaged throughout the year, consistently following up with monthly readings and check-ins.
- **29%** saw a measurable decrease in blood pressure, reflecting the impact of sustained awareness and lifestyle changes.
- **Three participants** became new HopeHealth patients, further strengthening their commitment to their health.

The year concluded with a celebratory event, bringing together participants, barbers, and community members to recognize these achievements and introduce upcoming men's health initiatives. This program's success is a testament to the power of trusted community relationships, ongoing support, and strategic partnerships. We extend our gratitude to our community health workers, our local barbers, and every participant who made this initiative possible. Together, we are making heart health a priority— one barbershop at a time.





Community Health Worker Terrance Legette (right) meets with community partners like Florence City Council Member J. Lawrence Smith, II (left) to promote the Barbershop Tour. Participants receive promotional items like Barbershop Tour baseball caps and other HopeHealth information.

Children of Hope Impact Report



HopeHealth's 2024 **Children of Hope** program received **\$52,000** donated by HopeHealth staff and community members to support children of HopeHealth patients during the holidays. **280 children** were identified from HopeHealth's service areas and instructed to fill out Christmas wish lists. HopeHealth staff spent their time shopping for each child. Gifts included bikes, toys, clothing, games, art supplies, cold-weather gear, and more. HopeHealth practice administrators, office managers, and case workers were especially hands-on with this effort! Staff and volunteers wrapped gifts for **over 73 hours** at the "North Pole," located at the firehouse on Palmetto Street in Florence. The use of the property was generously donated by **First Reliance Bank**. HopeHealth is grateful to all staff, volunteers, and donors who contributed to making the holidays special for these 280 children.

Children of Hope is part of HopeHealth's Compassionate Care Fund. To learn more, visit **hope-health.org/donate.**

HopeHealth Primary Care



HopeHealth's **primary care** providers offer high-quality, cost-effective health care to prevent and detect the early onset of disease, provide routine wellness exams, and promote overall health and well-being. As part of the integrated care model, primary and specialty care providers often work together to secure the best outcomes. As a patient-centered medical home, HopeHealth provides integrated health services for nearly 85,000 patients, offering primary care in Florence, Lake City, Timmonsville, Kingstree, Greeleyville, Hemingway, Manning, and Orangeburg. To learn more about making HopeHealth your primary care home, call **(843) 667-9414** or visit **hope-health.org**.

HopeHealth Pharmacy Greeleyville



In order to better serve our patients, we have added Greeleyville Pharmacy to our list of pharmacies! Located at 215 Varner Avenue, **HopeHealth Pharmacy Greeleyville** is open Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm and Saturday, 9am-12pm. For more information, call **(843) 426-2170**.

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