

NO ONE ALONE

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2024/25  
**ANNUAL  
REPORT**

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Providing Shelter and Support Services  
to Victims of Domestic Violence in  
Dawson and Lumpkin Counties

[www.noonealone.org](http://www.noonealone.org)

Administration - 706-344-3853  
24/7 Crisis Line - 706-864-1986  
P.O. BOX 685  
Dahlonega, GA 30533



## A Safe Haven for Women & Children



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## A COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER

As the chairperson of No One Alone, I am honored to reflect on the remarkable strides we have made this year in our mission to combat domestic violence and support survivors. Our organization has been a beacon of hope, providing critical resources and advocacy for individuals and families affected by abuse. Through the tireless efforts of our team, volunteers, and supporters, we have strengthened our programs, expanded outreach, and helped empower countless lives to break free from the cycle of violence.

This year, we achieved a significant milestone with the completion of our new emergency shelter in 2025. This shelter stands as a testament to our commitment to providing safe spaces and immediate support for those in crisis. It marks a new chapter in our ability to serve our community and ensure that survivors have access to the care and resources they need to rebuild their lives.

We also witnessed an inspiring community coming together with compassion and resolve. From hosting educational workshops to organizing awareness campaigns, and providing safe spaces for those in need, our achievements are a testament to the collective commitment to end domestic violence. The partnerships and contributions from our supporters have been vital to our success, and we are deeply grateful for the trust and collaboration that continues to fuel our mission.

*Joanie Cullity, Board Chair*

**Mission: NOA provides safe haven and support services for victims of family violence. Through educational programs, NOA works to foster attitudes in the community that violence is not acceptable.**



# NOA SERVED 3,198 women, children and men in 2024

The NOA crisis line is the first point of contact to reach much needed help, information and support. As victims turn to NOA for help, we are available 24/7/365 to listen, comfort, give hope and save lives. Every crisis call is an opportunity to intervene and assist. In 2024, **NOA advocates responded to 2,503 crisis calls.**

Victims of family violence need immediate safe shelter to escape violence and achieve stability. As a safe refuge, the NOA shelter provides a place of safety, healing, comfort and hope. **NOA sheltered 89 different people** (42 women, 45 children and 2 men) for a total of 3,532 bed nights. 25 clients were placed in local hotels due to lack of space.

## SERVICES PROVIDED

NOA helps vulnerable families protect, nurture, and care for their children. Case management, life skills groups, parenting classes, financial assistance, trauma counseling, legal advocacy and community referrals provide the help victims need to live stable and productive lives.

**Families were provided financial assistance totaling \$192,077.**

A paramount goal of the program is to reduce the risk of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, depression, and other indicators of adverse effects of family violence so that families can heal together and regain a sense of control over their lives. Counseling is offered in a group setting as well as individual sessions by a licensed counselor. In 2024, **277 clients attended counseling sessions and 356 clients attended parent education and stress management groups.**

Using a holistic approach, NOA works with children and their non-offending parents to promote healthy relationships, coping skills and resilience. A primary goal of the children's program is to address the impact of traumatic stress which profoundly affects the development of children.

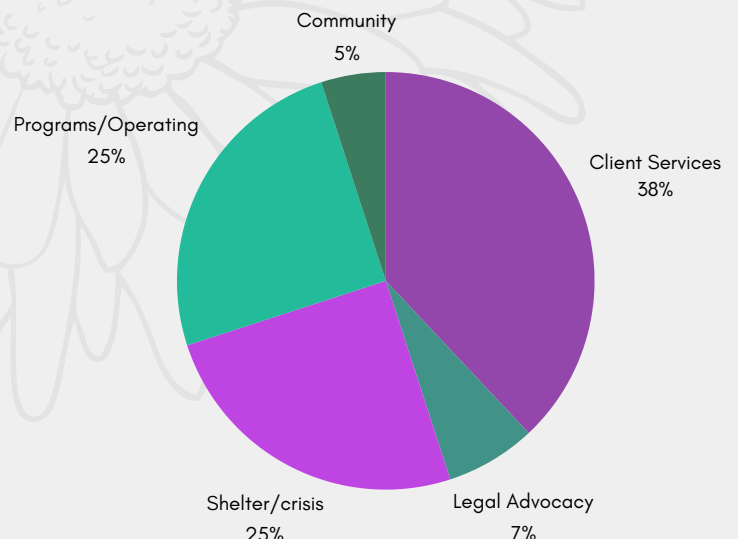
**In 2024, 160 children attended weekly support groups.**

By partnering with local law enforcement, our proactive approach fights family violence on all fronts. NOA reviews 9-1-1 calls/police reports and contacts the victim to develop a safety plan and offer services. Legal advocates are able to connect victims with life saving resources such as shelter, protective orders, court support, counseling and various other support services.

**Advocates assisted 348 victim resulting in protective orders in 2024.**



### Expenses



# RAISING AWARENESS

Our collaborative efforts reach and educate more people to break down barriers that prevent victims of family violence from seeking shelter and support services. Awareness and understanding of domestic violence is important to achieve our vision to: "Create a community with zero tolerance for all forms of violence and abuse".



**1st Annual 5k Run to End DV  
Rock Creek, Dawsonville**



Did you know 57% of college students who report experiencing dating violence and abuse said it occurred in college? Furthermore, over half of all college students (57%) say it's difficult to identify dating abuse.

**If you would like NOA to present to your business, agency, church etc. please call 706-344-3853**



**Cullity Martin Grp & North Point Mortgage donate grab bags for the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Sigma Nu Golf Tournament benefiting NOA**



**Family Fair, in Dawsonville Brings Families Together Connecting them with fun and resources**



**NOA Receives Best Non Profit-2024**

In 2023, advocates presented to 107 different organizations, businesses, schools, agencies and churches reaching a total of 4,707 community members



**"Dining for A Cause" Campaign**

Enjoy a great meal while supporting No One Alone.

**Thank you to all the participants:**

Shenanigans  
Spirits Tavern  
19 Degrees North  
Roosters, Dahlonga  
Taco Mac, Dawsonville

## Program Needs:

**\* Non Perishable foods**

**\*Cleaning supplies**

**(trash bags, bleach, Clorox wipes, toilet cleaner, laundry soap, dish soap, dishwasher soap)**

**\*Diapers (all sizes)**

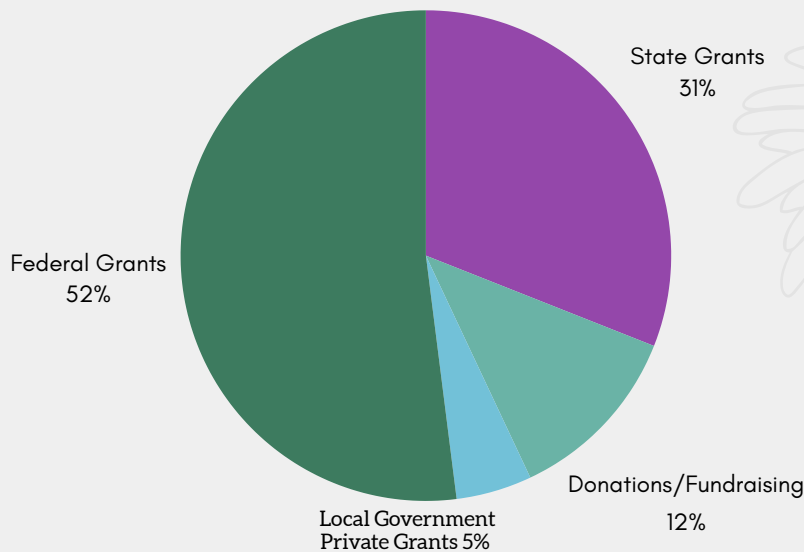
**\*Paper products (toilet paper and paper towels)**

**All donations can be dropped at Southern Finds Thrift Store**

**Tuesday - Saturday 11-5**



# FINANCIAL SUPPORT



## PRIVATE GRANTS AND FOUNDATIONS

Big Canoe Chapel  
 Big Canoe Women's Guild  
 Food Lion Feeds Charitable Grant  
 Jackson EMC Foundation  
 Lowell S. & Betty L. Dunn Family Foundation  
 Northside Hospital  
 United Way Dawson County  
 Walmart Community Grant

## LOCAL/GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Dawson County Commissioner  
 of Roads and Revenue  
 Lumpkin County  
 Board of Commissioners



**Jackson EMC awards NOA  
 \$7,500 for Counseling Program**



**The Dahlonega Car Club  
 donates \$10,000 to Support  
 the New NOA Shelter**



**Donation from U.S. LBM for  
 the New Shelter Build**



**Food Lion Awards NOA \$2,500**

## STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council  
 Department of Human Services  
 Administrative Office of the Courts

## LOCAL SUPPORT



Southern Finds is an outreach program of NOA. The store provides clothing, personal items and necessities for women, children and men who are experiencing hardship due to domestic violence. 100% of the proceeds from this store support our program and the clients we serve. Donations and volunteers are always needed and appreciated.

**For more information call 706-867-6167  
 Store Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 11 - 5 pm**

# THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

## Individuals

The Late Betty L. Dunn  
Payton Anderson  
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## Businesses

331 Investments, LLC  
Accent Cellars  
Azek Cares  
Administrative Solutions Group  
App Studios  
Brown Haven Homes  
Builders First Source  
Bull & Bull P.C.  
C&M Consulting & Training  
Cutting Cave, TDR Circles  
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Darrel Dinsmore Grading  
Davis Engineering  
Ellite Garage Door  
EXOATIONS  
Extreme Industries  
Food Lion  
Forever Exteriors  
Grit & Grace Hot Yoga, LLC  
Grogan's Sani-Service Inc.  
Heart Studio & Yoga Wellness  
J White Electric  
James Hardie  
Keller Williams Community Partners  
Marksman Exterminators  
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Mighty 8<sup>th</sup> Media  
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Northside Hospital  
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Randall Brothers  
RefrigiWear  
Quinn Design Concepts  
Serenity Medical Health and Beauty Spa  
Shenanigan's Irish Pub  
Staton Heating & Air  
Southern Auto Color  
Spirit's Tavern  
Townley Construction  
United Community Bank  
U.S. LBM  
Walker Spirit's  
Womack Electric Co

## "Be the Change"

Dr. J.M. Clagett  
Caitlin Blank  
Loran Dale  
Naomi Fris  
Debbie & Chuck Jones  
Cara Ledford  
Beverly Smart  
Brandy Thomas  
Roone & Tracy Unger  
Pennye Westbrook  
Laura Witt

## Civic Organizations

Achasta Ladies Club, Inc.  
Dahlonga Car Club  
Dahlonga Sunrise Rotary  
Dahlonga Woman's Club  
Dawson Woman's Club  
Delta Zeta  
Sigma Nu  
Vietnam Veterans of America

## Churches

Challengers Sunday School Class  
Christ Fellowship Church  
The Bridge Ministries Network, Inc.  
Dahlonga Baptist Church  
Dahlonga Methodist Church  
Grace Presbyterian Church  
St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church  
St. Luke's Catholic Church  
Wesley Chapel UMC

## Family Foundation

The Lowell S. Dunn & Betty L. Dunn  
Family Foundation

## Living Trust

Shirley B. Prichett

*We rely heavily on our donors  
and with out your support  
our mission would not be  
possible! From the clients  
you may never meet, but whose  
lives you have touched,*

**THANK YOU!**

*Our sincerest apologies if we  
have omitted your name.*



# VOLUNTEERS ARE A VITAL RESOURCE TO OUR PROGRAM

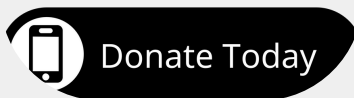


Volunteers work in partnership with staff at the shelter, in fundraising activities, as office support and at our thrift store Southern Finds. Training and ongoing support is provided to help volunteers feel rewarded, confident and engaged. In 2024, 51 active volunteers and board members contributed over 3,200 hours to the shelter program, children's program, outreach and awareness programs and NOA's thrift store, Southern Finds.

## Its Easy to



## and make a difference!



[www.noonealone.org/bethechange](http://www.noonealone.org/bethechange)



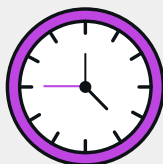
Mail to:  
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Dahlonega, GA 30533



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Donate your time  
Consider Volunteering  
your time



NOA is a non-profit  
charitable organization.  
Donations are tax deductible  
Our IRS Tax ID # is 58-196083

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## 9-19-25 Fundraising Benefit

Enjoy Dinner, Live Auction & Guest Speaker:

Matt Emmerson - R Ranch, Dahlonega

Matt Eversmann, is who "Black Hawk Down" the movie was filmed about. He is a world-renowned speaker and has written several great books with James Patterson



Get To Know Mike

<https://www.n-magazine.com/american-hero>

## 10-4-2025 NOA's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual 5k Run/Walk



(Peachtree qualifier)  
Rock Creek, Dawsonville

<https://runsignup.com>

## Fishing Tournament

Date/Time TBD



For More Information Visit:

[www.noonealone.org/events](http://www.noonealone.org/events)

or Call 706-344-3853