



# Cultivating Hope in East Dallas Hopescope

Hopescope  
Spring 2025

## VOLUNTEER Appreciation

Hope's annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon was filled with gratitude, celebration, and heartfelt connection. More than 100 volunteers gathered to celebrate the 28,341 hours of volunteer service provided in the last year.

Each hour represents someone showing up to make a difference, welcoming neighbors, distributing food, sorting donations, and offering hope. Volunteers are the heartbeat of Hope's mission, and it was a joy to recognize their incredible impact.

A heartfelt thank you to St. John's Episcopal Church for hosting us in their beautiful space, Jerry McClure for photographing the day, and Chubby's for the delicious lunch.

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## Words of Hope

I tip my hat to you and all of Hope's supporters who have made possible a record setting start to the fiscal year.

During the first six months of the fiscal year (Nov. 2024 - April 2025), Hope has set all time records in nearly every measurable category! And, in one case, we not only set a record during this time period, but then went on to break that new record.



**Dr. Greg Smith, CEO**



**89,381**

**Pounds of Food provided in February**



**92,693**

**Pounds of Food provided in April**



**3,246**

**Volunteer Hours in March**



**9,996**

**Unique Neighbors Served Nov- Apr**



**351**

**Families served at May 3<sup>rd</sup> Food Distribution**



**\$49,465**

**Hope's Thrift Store Sales in April**

## Spotlight on New Partners: CARDBoard and R&R

Hope is excited to announce new partnerships that will enable the continued growth of Hope's Empowerment Programs with a focus on workforce development.

- **CARDBoard Project:** Beginning in May, CARDBoard Project will offer digital literacy training at Hope. At the end of this course participants will have built a resume, earned a Google Workspace Certification, and created an online job search profile.
- **R& R Ministries:** Beginning in June, R&R Ministries will provide a paid commercial cleaning certification course. At the end of this course participants will be connected to potential living wage employers.

## Donagene Christian Volunteers of the Year



Lori Fallon

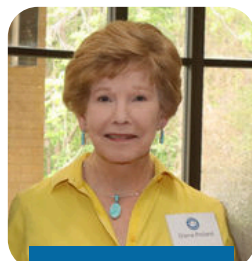


Mark Weber

We are delighted to announce White Rock Center of Hope's Donagene Christian Volunteer of the Year recipients. These four remarkable individuals — Lori Fallon, Ramona Aranda, Mark Weber, and Diana Pollard — were recognized for their exceptional service and unwavering dedication to cultivating hope in our community.



Ramona Aranda



Diana Pollard

Named in honor of our founder, Donagene Christian, this award celebrates volunteers who exemplify Hope's core values of faith, relationship, and compassion.

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I love being able to give back to my community since retiring. Some days I'm sorting donations, teaching others about internet safety, or feeding neighbors on Saturday. Hope is a great place to serve others and invite other friends to be part of the fun!

-Mark Weber, Hope Ambassador

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## GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND!



1,000+ Hours



250+ Hours



500+ Hours





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## White Rock Center of Hope Thrift Store

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10021 Garland Road  
Mon.- Sat. 9:00AM-5:00PM  
214.324.2020  
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*Selling new and gently used clothing, household items, jewelry, and collectibles, donated by neighbors to benefit neighbors in need!*

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*Donations are welcomed during store hours.  
Limited pickups are available for large donations.  
To request a driver call 469.250.7112*

Cultivating Hope through Basic Needs & Personalized Empowerment

## Hopescope Spring 2025

SPRING  
CLEANING

### Donate Your Gently Used Items to Hope

As you tidy up this spring, consider donating your gently used clothing, accessories, household goods, and furniture to White Rock Center of Hope.

### Check out Hope's New Covered Donation Drop Off

It's exciting to welcome you to the newly constructed donation drop-off area! This new covered space makes it easier than ever to swing by and donate, rain or shine. Come by to turn your spring cleaning into hope!



## Featured Food Pantry Needs

June

KID-FRIENDLY  
SUMMER MEALS

July

CLEANING SUPPLIES

August

CANNED FRUIT