BLACK FILE & Diamonds



October 1, 2025

We hope this letter finds you well. For 22 years, by hosting **The Black Tie & Diamonds Gala**, The Rotary Club of Annapolis has partnered with impactful nonprofits that improve health, support education and help alleviate poverty in the Greater Annapolis area. As you may know, BT&D is Rotary's premiere FUNdraising event, and its 2025 nonprofit partner is **Marshall Hope Corporation** - a grassroots all-volunteer food program that provides more than food and essential resources to the working poor families living in the Annapolis area. Primarily through its West Annapolis Pop Up Pantry, we are working together to ensure that no one in our community goes hungry by providing fresh food, milk, protein and infant supplies.

The 2025 Black Tie & Diamonds Gala will be held on Saturday, March 1, 2025, from 6-10 pm at The Graduate in Annapolis, Maryland. The evening includes a cocktail hour, silent and live auctions, a raffle, dinner, and dancing. We expect more than 240 guests. We sell out of tickets every year because the Gala is a wonderful gathering that gives attendees an opportunity to make a significant impact in our community. It promises to be a perfect sparkling evening that will highlight your support for the Marshall Hope Corporation and our Annapolis community that we all serve.

Will you help us reach our \$65,000 goal by committing to a sponsorship level? Together, we can raise funds and awareness of the Marshall Hope Corporation which provides essential resources and nutritious food to more than 500 families each month. By partnering with us, you will play a huge role in helping to fight hunger. Every dollar counts. Your generous support at any of the sponsorship levels identified below will directly contribute to our mission of ensuring that Annapolis families have adequate food and children have necessary supplies to thrive:

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- **\$10,000 Hope Diamond Sponsor:** You will provide 500 working poor families one month of eggs, chicken, milk, fresh fruit, vegetables and food staples that promotes growth and nourishment.
- **\$5,000 Hope for Tomorrow Sponsor:** You will be giving 10 newborn babies a leg up when they leave the hospital with the infant essentials needed to survive and grow for a month: formula, diapers, car seat, blankets, layette and unexpected pharmacy needs.
- \$2,500 Give Hope Sponsor: You will supply 25 toddlers with much-needed diapers for one month to working parents who forfeit daycare and work if there is not enough money for diapers. Most daycare facilities require an adequate supply of diapers.

Together, we can help ensure that food insecurity is addressed effectively in our community. No one deserves to be hungry in Annapolis. Let us know how you can help. Please contact Co-Chairs Jen Denney, Chera Howey, or Marshall Hope's co-founder, Amy Marshall. Thank you for helping create a stronger and thriving Annapolis!

Amy Marshall

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Sponsorships benefiting the Marshall Hope Corporation



Table
Sponsorship
Benefits

Hope Diamond

Hope for Tomorrow

Give Hope

\$10,000

\$5,000

\$2,500

2 Available

5 Available

10 Available

Your table sponsorship provides direct impact to families in the Greater Annapolis area.

Impact:

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Impact:

You will supply 25 toddlers with much-needed diapers for 1 month.

Table for 10 includes
VIP Cocktails and
Table Signage

Social Media Posts & **Program Recognition**

Pre-Gala Auction **Bidding**

Shared table for 5 includes VIP Cocktails

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Event Sponsorship

Benefits

Bar Sponsor \$7,500

Only 1 Available

Dessert & Coffee to Go

Valet \$2,500

Only 1 Available

On-site Event Signage Nearby Opportunity

Promotional Piece

Social Media Posts & Program Recognition

\$5,000

Only 1 Available

For More Information Contact:

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