

THE PLACE OF THE SUNLIGHT OF GOD

# Tamassee

DAR SCHOOL

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## Dear Friends of Tamassee,

Recently I went to a BBQ event with a friend. We were excited to eat some delicious BBQ and enjoy a beautiful spring day. It had rained hard the night before, and the parking was crowded. So, I pulled the car along the side of the road where others had parked. I didn't notice how soft the ground was, and the passenger side tires sunk into the mud. We were stuck!

When I became CEO five years ago, that's how the situation at Tamassee felt. We were on the cusp of having no choice but close our children's home program and the unexpected realignment of our longtime support from the Daughters of the American Revolution. It was a challenging season to be sure, but we remained confident in the Lord's goodness and guidance as well as his calling for Tamassee as the place of the sunlight of God.

On that spring day at the BBQ, a kind soul chained my vehicle to his massive 4x4 pickup truck to get us free of the mud. At first the tires spun, but as he gently pulled, the tires gained traction and out we came. After many expressions of gratitude, we found a better parking spot and enjoyed the day.

Today at Tamassee, we've gained new traction. We now have six families in our Starlight community, and they are making amazing progress. We even have eleven moms on the waiting list. We've expanded the Early Learning Center to serve more infants and toddlers in Starlight and the wider community. We've begun a new partnership with the Blue Ridge Innovation Entrepreneurial Foundation to reach and impact more students with STEM learning in our Afterschool program. Enrollment for our incredible Summer Day Camp is at an all-time high. And we've added hundreds of new donors each of the last two years while also engaging new foundations to support our work.

God has indeed been good to Tamassee, and as you read this annual report, I hope you will join me in giving thanks for his unfailing faithfulness and in recommitting to supporting the life-changing work Tamassee does for children and families.

Basking in the Sunlight of God,

The Rev. Jon Holland, CEO



MESSAGE FROM

## The Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Lee Norris

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It has been another excellent year for Tamasee!

We found our footing with the Starlight at Tamasee recovery program, improving staffing, admitting new moms, improving our referral pipelines, increasing inquiries and applicants, and strengthening the overall program. The continued growth of Starlight at Tamasee means we are on track to see our first graduates this fall!

We expanded the Early Childhood Learning Center into Pouch Cottage and added another playground. Our Afterschool Program grew significantly by adding a new Robotics Club. Plus, our students just completed their best year of academic improvement in the program's history! During June and July, our Summer Day Camp program returns with Art, STEM, Sports and Recreation, cooking, and numerous other enrichment activities.

We also had a robust year of fundraising in 2023, seeing over \$1.32 million in total donations and adding 313 new donors. At the same time, our fundraising so far in 2024 has been slow. This is not uncommon for non-profits, but it does highlight the importance of your continued generous partnership.

Finally, the Board of Trustees continues to uphold their duty to steward the funds entrusted to the school, work in concert with the CEO to establish policy, review short-term and long-term goals and objectives, and evaluate the overall progress and direction of the organization.

As you can see, there is still a lot of work to be done, but the Board, CEO, and staff are excited, energized, and confident that Tamasee DAR School's mission, vision, and programs are just as essential in our world today as they have ever been. May I invite you to join us as we continue to do our small part in making Tamasee "The Place of the Sunlight of God" for those we serve.

Rev. David "Lee" Norris, IV  
Chairman – Board of Trustees  
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Tamasee DAR School is now making it even easier for you to make your IRA, DAF, Stock and Planned Gift through our partnership with FreeWill.com. Through this partnership you will have the ability to make an IRA rollover or Donor Advised Fund contribution through FreeWill to Tamasee.

In addition, FreeWill will guide you through the process of making a simple legal will where you can include Tamasee as a beneficiary. Scan the QR code to the right to make your tax savvy gift today.



 SCAN ME

Tamassee served **140 CHILDREN**  
and **8 MOTHERS IN 2023**

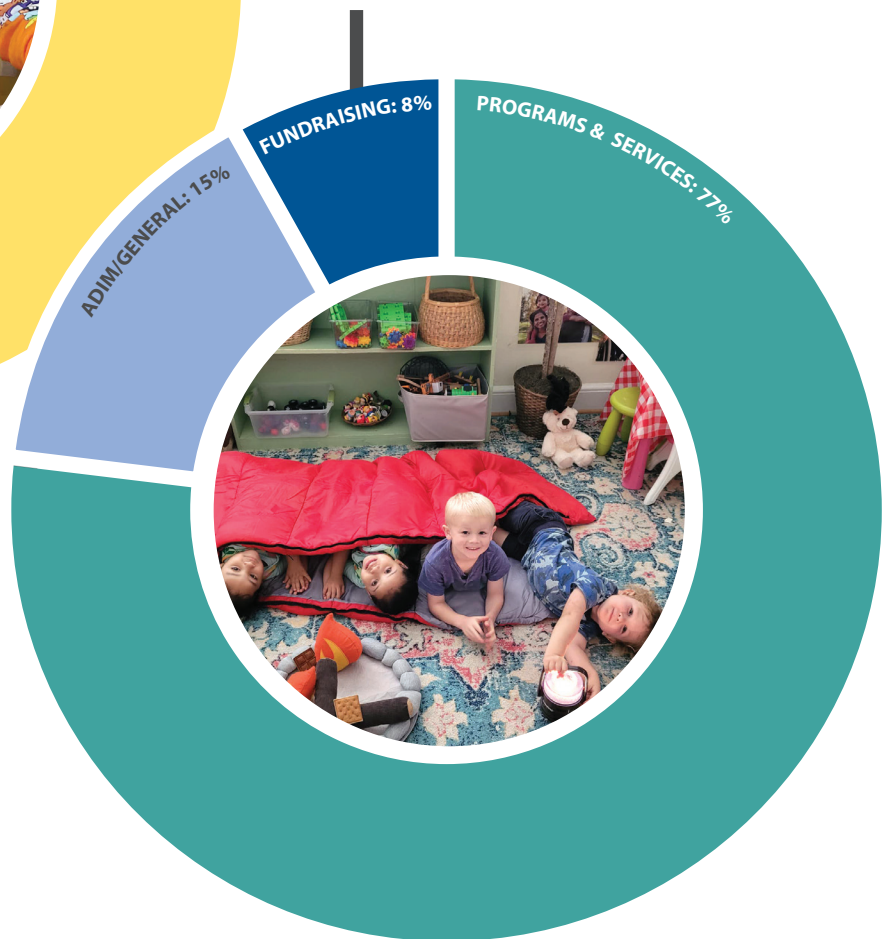


**2023  
TOTAL REVENUE  
\$2,176,883**

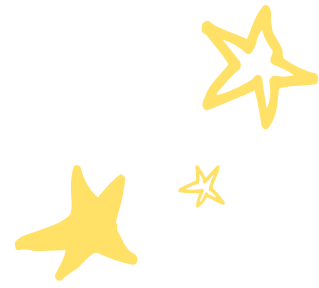
- Annual Giving – 57%
- Fees/Aid – 9%
- Investments – 25%
- Productive Enterprise/Other – 9%

**2023  
TOTAL EXPENSES  
\$2,795,648\***

- Programs & Services – 77%
- Administration & General – 15%
- Fundraising & Public Relations – 8%



\*When necessary, funds are transferred from the unrestricted portion of the School's investment account to meet operating expenses during the year.



# Starlight

## at Tamassee

### Reuniting Families

One of the greatest miracles Starlight at Tamassee offers mothers and children is the opportunity for reunification. The women who come to Starlight have faced not only substance abuse but also domestic violence, homelessness, poverty, mental health issues, and other traumatic experiences. Sometimes these challenges lead to their children being placed in foster care. The stability and support Starlight offers allows moms the chance to regain custody of their children.

One of our current Starlight moms is making the most of this opportunity. Her children have been in foster care for over two years. Normally, the SC Department of Social Services (DSS) terminates a parent's rights after their children have been in foster care for that long, but a clerical error extended this mom's timeline. What the court calls a clerical error was in fact providence! The delay allowed this mom to come to Tamassee, and she has grown by leaps and bounds. Her supervised visits with her children have gone well, and DSS staff now support reunification. While there are still important milestones for her to reach, this mom hopes her children will be back with her later this summer. This is the family-changing opportunity Starlight offers!



## Healing Hearts

"You can't take Imodium for a headache!" The Starlight moms broke out in laughter at the facilitator during a recovery group. They laughed, but they also understood. Addiction is a symptom of a deeper problem – unresolved trauma. Addiction is bad medicine for real pain that needs to heal. If you take the wrong medicine, not only will your headache get worse, but you'll get other unpleasant symptoms too.

Recently, one of the Starlight moms used a self-evaluation tool for her recovery and noticed that she was "speeding up." During the group, she processed these behaviors and discovered that she was speeding up to avoid seasonal depression related to several significant painful experiences in her past. Avoiding this pain had only led to relapse. To heal her heart, she needs to work through these past wounds – by processing, grieving, forgiving, and choosing healthy relating. She felt empowered as the lightbulb went on. Now she can take the right medicine for the real pain she feels and find freedom to live in wholeness in the future. This is the life-changing power women and children find at Tamassee.



To learn more about Starlight, visit [www.starlight.tdarschool.org](http://www.starlight.tdarschool.org) or contact us at **864-944-1390**.  
To learn how your financial gift will provide miracles for Starlight families, visit [www.tdarschool.org/well-campaign](http://www.tdarschool.org/well-campaign).



SCAN THE QR CODE TO WATCH STARLIGHT MOM TESTIMONIALS



# Starlight Success

Starlight saw the following accomplishments during the 2023-2024 school year.

Starlight served **seven mothers** and **eight children**.

**100%** of moms remained **sober** while in the program.

Starlight moms received over **200 hours** of **individual and group counseling**.

Starlight moms engaged nearly **600 hours** of **recovery groups and services**.

Starlight moms received nearly **900 hours** of **parenting coaching and support**.

Starlight moms engaged over **900 hours** of **life skills development**.

Starlight moms participated in over **450 hours** of **spiritual growth opportunities**.

Three Starlight moms and one Starlight child were baptized or renewed their baptism.

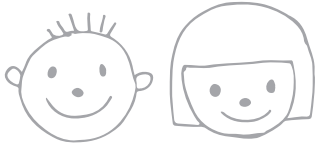
**All Starlight children** at the Early Learning Center **met all six developmental benchmarks**.

Starlight children enjoyed nearly **600 hours** of **family bonding activities** with their moms.



2023-2024

**21**  
Total children served



**100%**

met developmental benchmarks in all six areas.



**83%**

exceeded Physical and Language expectations.



**67%**

exceeded Social-Emotional and Cognitive expectations.



**45%**

exceeded Mathematics expectations.



**42%**

exceeded Literacy expectations.





"I just wanted to take the time to acknowledge the Tamasee Early Learning Center. The staff are knowledgeable, kind, and patient. All three of my grandchildren have attended, two of which are still enrolled. Due to circumstances, my children were sad and hurt but every one of the staff have helped them heal and overcome and prepare them for the schooling to come. They have a place to belong and are always excited to go to school. The oldest has excelled and done wonderful in kindergarten due to her time attending the center. The director went above and beyond to help our little family and has been so supportive of us. I would recommend this facility to everyone I know. I am so thankful for being given the opportunity for them to attend. My babies are happy there."

– Diana Loper

## Parent Feedback

AUGUST 2023-MAY 2024



“ I would definitely recommend the Afterschool program to families. The staff care about the children and go out of their way to build the children up. ”

68

children served

in Tamasee's Afterschool Program during 2023-2024.

AFTERSCHOOL: 35

ROBOTICS: 26

FULL DAY: 7

ABC

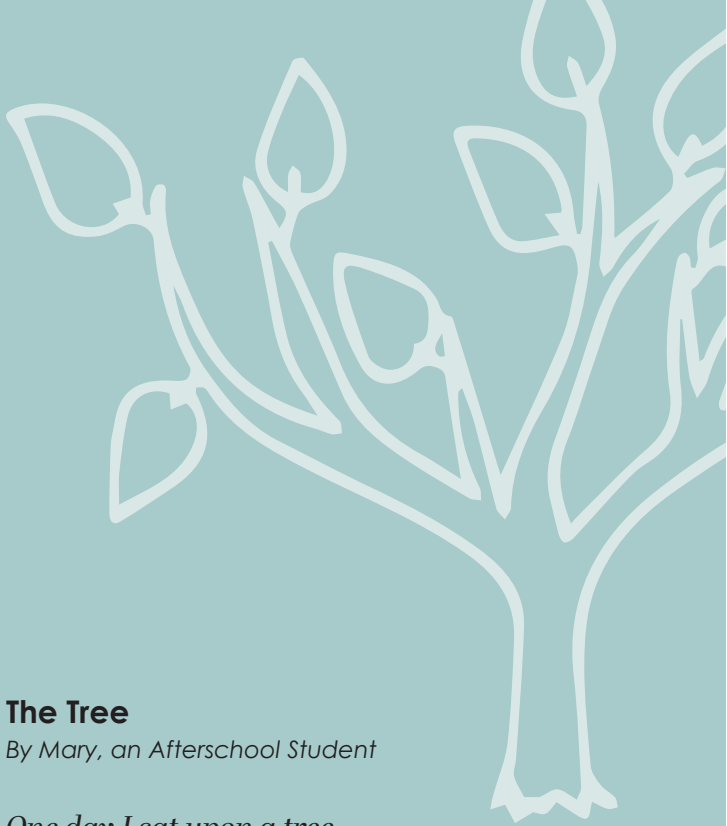
92%

of students improved in reading. Average improvement was a full grade level.

$\pi = 3.14285$

85%

of students improved in math. Average improvement was more than a full grade level.



### The Tree

By Mary, an Afterschool Student

*One day I sat upon a tree,  
Feeling lonely as could be.  
So, I looked around to see  
what there was to see.  
A squirrel scurried merrily across the ground.  
Nothing but woodland all around.  
Birds chirp and chatter from way up high.  
Clouds float leisurely through the sky.  
Yes, as I sat up in the tree.  
I realized it was not, but only me.*



### Parent Feedback

"I can't think of anything more the staff could do for my student. She is thriving under the supervision of the staff at the Afterschool program."

"The Afterschool Program is perfect for our family. The staff treat my children with love and respect. I have nothing but good things to say about this program."

# COMMUNITY EVENTS



Friends from the community along with Tamassee staff and Starlight moms worship on Good Friday during the Stations of the Cross service.



Jason Eller, Development Officer, stands with the winning cooks at the Annual Barbecue Cook-Off.



The Walhalla Chapter DAR sponsored a Flag Retirement Ceremony with the Afterschool students.



Awards Day! The Winning Afterschool team hoists the Citizens Cup.



FORE! Golfing for miracles at the 12th Annual Tamassee Golf Tournament.





# Building Bridges to Better Tomorrows



**F**or many children, overcoming learning challenges can be incredibly difficult, and even more so when their home-life is unstable. Tamasee's education programs play a vital role in bridging the learning gaps and providing essential support to these students.

Bridges symbolize more than just physical structures that connect two points; they represent hope, opportunity, and progress. Just as bridges provide safe passage over obstacles, Tamasee Bridge Scholarships serve as crucial pathways for children in need; both for academic success and for emotional resiliency in the face of adversity. Your support will help them see a better future-- one filled with hope.

Your support, whether through a large or small donation, is instrumental in building these bridges and creating pathways for these students to succeed. Consider the profound impact your contribution will make:

- **A donation of \$5,000 or more annually** supports a full year of Early Childhood Learning for infants to 4K students in need, encompassing cognitive and social-emotional development, kindergarten readiness, healthy meals, enrichment activities, and dedicated professional staff. Such comprehensive support not only fosters academic growth but also nurtures the overall well-being of these children.
- **Your contribution of \$2,000** sponsors a full academic year of Afterschool programming, providing students with the opportunity to engage in enriching activities beyond regular school hours. This not only enhances their learning experiences but also creates a supportive environment for their holistic development.
- **A \$1,000 gift** significantly impacts the lives of elementary students by providing a summer of programming filled with enrichment and learning. This ensures that children have access to continuous educational opportunities, even during the summer break, promoting consistent growth and progress.
- **Your contribution of \$500 in memory or honor of a loved one** will shape 10 young people through our citizenship program. This support empowers students to internalize character traits and leadership skills they will rely on for the rest of their lives.

Every donation meaningfully impacts the lives of Tamasee children. Whether it's \$500 or \$5,000, each contribution is a vital part of building bridges to a brighter future for these children.

**For those who generously give \$500 or more, recognition during the annual Awards Day celebration** serves as a token of appreciation for their support and commitment to making a difference in the lives of these children.

There are countless ways to make a gift in support of a child at Tamasee. **Many supporters give stock, provide a grant from their Donor Advised Fund, or make a Qualified Charitable Distribution from their IRA, all of which are more tax-smart ways to make a gift.** We invite you to explore these options by scanning the QR code below or make an immediate gift by going to [www.tdarschool.org](http://www.tdarschool.org) and click on the donate button. Thank you for your generosity and help in shaping tomorrow's generations.



# 1471

## Total Volunteer Hours

69 individuals | 10 organizations

### STARLIGHT

Est. Total Volunteer Hours.....86

### SUMMER CAMP

Est. Total Volunteer Hours.....122

### THRIFT STORE

Est. Total Volunteer Hours.....600

### AFTERSCHOOL

Est. Total Volunteer Hours.....501

### EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING

Est. Total Volunteer Hours.....140

### BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Est. Total Volunteer Hours.....22

## VOLUNTEER STATISTICS

## DONOR SPOTLIGHT | KEOWEE FALLS CLIFFS RESIDENTS OUTREACH



Picture a home where every child's potential is nurtured, where every struggling mother finds support, and where families broken by trauma find healing and restoration. This is the transformative work happening every day at Tamasee DAR School, and it's all made possible because of compassionate and generous donors like the Keowee Falls Cliffs Residents Outreach (CRO).

For nearly a decade, the CRO has been a shining example for the children and mothers we serve. With their generous support, we have seen lives transformed and families restored. Jason Eller, Development Officer for Tamasee DAR

School, puts it, "The CRO's commitment to the children and mothers we serve in our Starlight and education programs has been nothing short of extraordinary."

Betty Vandeputte, a member of the Keowee Falls CRO Board and liaison for Tamasee DAR School, says, "Our niche as a community is to support the education of children, especially those at high risk due to poverty or trauma. Tamasee was just a great fit for our mission." And what a mission it is! Together, we are building a legacy of love, learning, and empowerment.

Whether it's updating sidewalks, volunteering with our mothers and children, furnishing classrooms with innovative technology, or hosting Tamasee's 2024 golf tournament--CRO contributions have created an environment where learning and healing can thrive. Now, through their amazing fundraising efforts, the CRO has also committed to supporting Grace Cottage,

a home for mothers and children in the Starlight Program at Tamasee.

The Starlight Program is a haven for young mothers and their children who are determined to change their stars, to overcome addiction and trauma, and to be restored as a family. Thanks to friends like the CRO, these mothers have a chance at a new life.

The future is indeed bright for Tamasee's children and mothers, and with the continued partnership of Keowee Falls CRO and others, we are confident that our programs will not only endure but will flourish. When asked about the future partnership of Keowee Falls CRO with Tamasee, Betty replied, "I foresee CRO continuing to support and partner with Tamasee well into the future."

From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you, CRO, for your incredible support. We eagerly anticipate the many children and families we will help through your continued generosity.

January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

# The Well Campaign



The Well Campaign is Tamassee's fundraising initiative to support the launch and growth of the Starlight program. In its first two years, more than 430 donors have given to the Well Campaign. Not all donors could be contained within this document, but their generosity has allowed Tamassee to implement all components of the Starlight program. Major and significant donors to The Well Campaign are recognized as **Living Water Donors** who support the cost of care for mothers and children and/or **Jacob's Well Donors** who provide donations for capital and facility renovations to support the growth of Starlight.

*Thank you!*

## LIVING WATER DONORS

Your unrestricted gift to Tamassee will support the families who come to Starlight.

### Gifts of Hope – \$50,000.00 +

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## JACOB'S WELL DONORS

Naming opportunities are still available. This includes living room, bedrooms, bathrooms, and more. Jacob's Well Donors are literally making a house into a home.

### \$50,000.00 +

Mr. & Mrs. Terry J. Eld

### \$25,000.00 +

Keowee Falls Cliffs Residents Outreach

### \$10,000.00 +

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas J. Bomicino  
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Dale and Wendy Brott  
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**\*Major Donors to The Well Campaign will be listed on the Well Donor Monument that stands in between two of the Starlight cottages – a lasting testament to your generosity, the success of the campaign, and the love of God for families.**



January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

# Family of Donors

# Thank you!

## CIRCLE OF GIVING SOCIETY

The "Circle of Giving Society" recognizes those individuals, foundations, businesses, and organizations and friends of Tamassee DAR School that have contributed \$500 or more to either a temporary restricted fund or permanently restricted fund during the 2023 calendar year. We deeply appreciate all of our Circle of Giving Society members for their special gifts.

*It is our sincere intention to accurately recognize every precious gift received. If you detect any misrepresentations of missing information, please contact the Office of Development so we may correct the record.*

### Philanthropist Circle – \$50,000.00+

The Duke Endowment

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South Carolina Department of Social Services  
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### Partner Circle – \$10,000.00+

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### Pioneer Circle – \$5,000.00+

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### Family Circle – \$1,000.00+

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The "Tamassee Angels Giving Society" recognizes those individuals, foundations, businesses, churches, organizations, and friends of Tamassee DAR School that have made a single or cumulative unrestricted gift of \$500 or more for the 2023 calendar year. Thank you, Angels!

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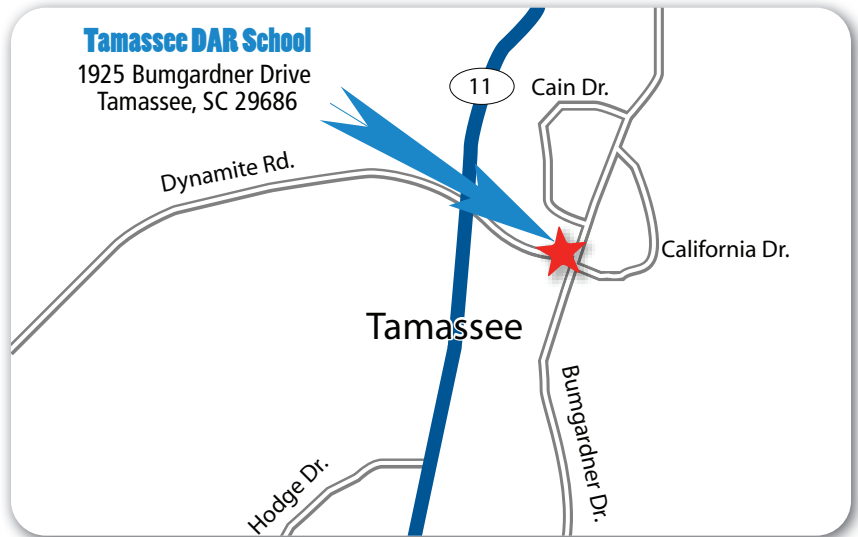
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