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Parent to Parent of Georgia Receives 2026 H.O.P.E. Award from U.S. Congressman Hank Johnson

ATLANTA (August 31, 2026) — [Parent to Parent of Georgia](#), a statewide nonprofit that supports Georgia families and individuals from birth to age 26 who are impacted by disabilities or special health care needs, received the 2026 H.O.P.E. Award from [Congressman Hank Johnson \(GA-04\)](#) during an Aug. 22 ceremony dinner at the Lou Walker Senior Center in Lithonia, Ga.



(Center left) U.S. Congressman Hank Johnson (GA-04) joins Parent to Parent of Georgia CEO Latoya Palmer-Addy (Center right), staff, volunteers and family members after presenting the organization with the 2026 H.O.P.E. Award on Aug. 22 at the Lou Walker Senior Center in Lithonia, Ga. Photo Credit: Office of Congressman Hank Johnson.

The H.O.P.E. Awards (Helping Other People Elevate) are presented each year as part of Congressman Johnson's annual Week of H.O.P.E., which centers around National Nonprofit Day and recognizes nonprofit organizations, leaders and volunteers working to improve the lives of residents throughout Georgia's Fourth Congressional District, with a particular emphasis on children.

Parent to Parent of Georgia was one of six organizations honored during the fourth annual ceremony, along with the Georgia Latino Alliance for Human Rights, Habitat for Humanity DeKalb, Kids'-Doc-On-Wheels, Inc., Lady T's Homeless Ministry and Made for Bigger.

“Tonight, we recognize six organizations that transform hope into action every day,” said Congressman Johnson. “Parent to Parent of Georgia is a statewide nonprofit dedicated to supporting families and individuals, from birth to age 26, who are impacted by disabilities or special healthcare needs. They didn’t cower or run for cover, but they stood up and assured their constituents, ‘We want you to know this: we are still here for you as we have been for over 40 years.’ Now that’s leadership!”

Parent to Parent of Georgia CEO Latoya Palmer-Addy accepted the award on behalf of the organization from Congressman Johnson and highlighted the collective effort of families, staff, volunteers and community partners who help ensure families do not have to navigate disability systems alone.

“Our mission has never been complicated. No parent should have to walk this journey by themselves,” said Palmer-Addy. “So, whether it’s a family who just received a diagnosis, a parent trying to understand what an individualized education plan is for the first time, or simply someone looking for another human being who gets it, we really are here for partners such as yourself. When you look across the room, you are part of this work.”

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About Parent to Parent of Georgia

As Georgia’s Parent Training and Information Center, Parent to Parent of Georgia (P2PGA) educates and supports families of children and young adults with disabilities or special health care needs from birth to age 26. For more than 40 years, P2PGA has helped families navigate complex systems such as special education, healthcare and disability services through one-on-one assistance, training, peer support, support groups, leadership development and access to trusted resources.

Whether a family has just received a diagnosis or has been navigating medical and educational resources and services for years, P2PGA helps connect them to information, support and community. Families can call 770-451-5484 for one-on-one assistance or visit www.p2pga.org to learn more about resources and training.