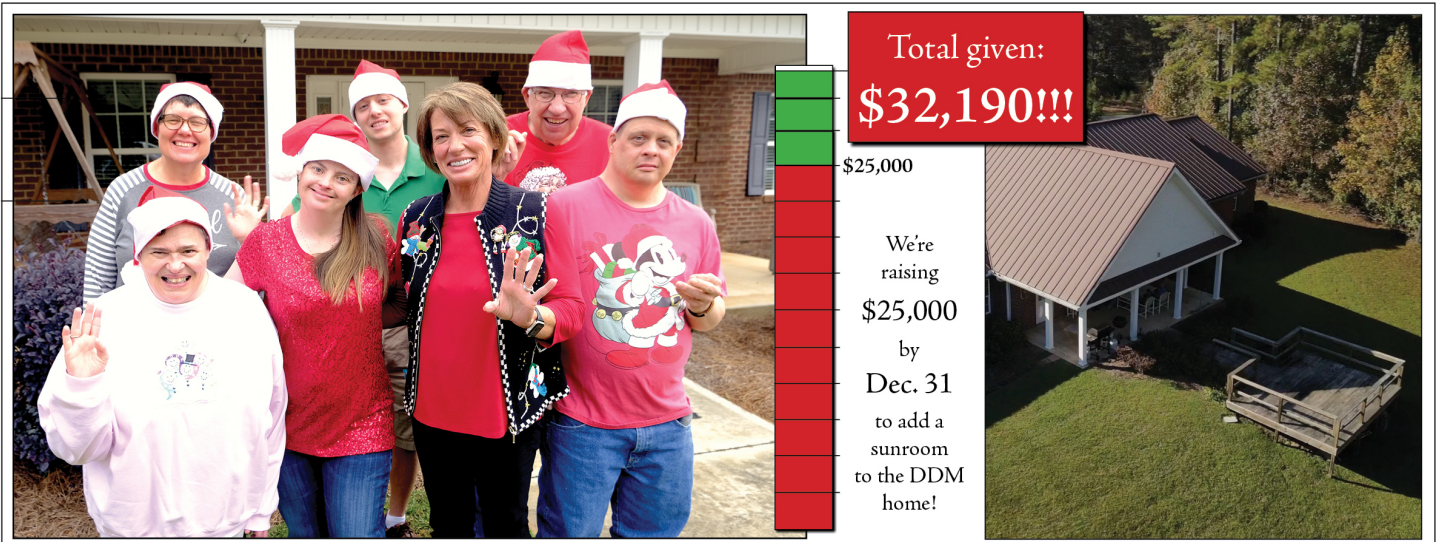


News from the heart

A quarterly newsletter from the Heart of Georgia DDM Home/January 2021
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WE ARE SO GRATEFUL!



Total given:
\$32,190!!!

\$25,000

We're raising
\$25,000
by
Dec. 31
to add a
sunroom
to the DDM
home!

Our first-ever year-end campaign raised a stunning \$32,190 for the Heart of Georgia DDM Home!

The money will be used to enclose our back porch, converting it into a sun room. This extra living space will be a blessing for our current residents as they ride out the COVID-19 pandemic and for all residents and staff for years to come.

We're recruiting volunteer workers now for this project. Construction will probably take place in the spring. We'll also be replacing the deck and providing shade on it. Want to help? Contact us today for more information!

Though the families of our residents pay monthly rent to live at the DDM Home, donations are a key source of income for this ministry.

In 2020, several monthly donors helped us offset costs at the home. In total, \$xx,xxx was given to the DDM besides what was given to the year-end campaign.

Regular gifts of paper goods, home supplies and staple goods also help us keep costs low. All gifts are tax-deductible.

And of course, your prayers and encouragement keep us going!



COVID-19 Vaccinations

Our residents received the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccination on January 20. As residents in a group home, they qualified for the first round of the vaccinations.

BIRTHDAY BANNER!!

February 8 - Johnnie Mack Arnett, April 10 - Judy Youmans,
April 11 - Dany Cook, April 12 - Audra Holmes,
April 19 - Stephanie Justen, April 26 - Holly Hart

DDM at a Glance

The Heart of Georgia Developmental Disabilities Ministry (DDM) supports families with special needs adults. Our first home was opened in 2011 and has six residents, three full-time staff and five part-time staff. This is a non-profit ministry supported by donations, volunteer involvement, room and board income from our residents, and from community grants.

Welcome to two new staff members

The DDM Home welcomes Katie Swaim and Jessica Young as part-time staff members.

CPR Training

Thanks to Lew Jarrell, husband of DDM Board member Shirley Jarrell, for donating his time and knowledge for CPR training for our staff!

Bags of love!

We are grateful to the Donald Black Sunday School class from Shirley Hills Baptist Church for the regular gifts of paper products!



Connie Hauck and Sam Garner enjoy the party.

A quieter Christmas

Pandemic can't stop DDM joy!

Our residents enjoyed a different kind of Christmas party in December.

Limited to staff and residents, this year's party was far smaller than in years past. Even so, it was filled with laughter and too many gifts to count.

Our residents also spent a short break at home with their families at Christmas before returning home to the DDM Home.

Thanks to everyone who helped make this very different Christmas feel very special despite all the "2020" limitations!

Shopping? You can give to DDM at the same time!

Two places you already shop will give half a percent of your purchases to DDM if you take a few simple steps.

For Kroger: Go to [kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com) and either set up your account or log into it. Under "Community Rewards," enter **YB597** as your charity choice. The Heart of Georgia information should automatically pop up. Once you choose the DDM Home, you'll be giving every time you shop!

For Amazon: Access your Amazon account information. Under "Lists," look for the Amazon Charity Lists. Enter **Heart Of Georgia DD Ministries Inc.** in the search box and then be sure to use **smile.amazon.com** instead of [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) when you shop!

