

ALL ABOARD FOR OUR SPECIAL CHILDREN!

Southern Division Children & Youth • 2026–2027

— Hop on the Train – Every Mile Matters! —

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Partners,

Welcome aboard The Hope Express!

As we begin our 2026–2027 journey, I am honored and excited to serve as your **Southern Division Children & Youth Chairman.**

This year, our train has one very important destination: making a difference in the lives of our **Special Children.**

Our national theme, **"All Aboard for Our Special Children,"** reminds us that every Salon, every Partner, every project, and every act of service has a place aboard this train.

Hop on the Train – Every Mile Matters!

No act of service is too small.

Whether your Salon holds a major fundraiser, supports a children's program, collects needed supplies, educates your community, volunteers locally, or simply finds a new way to brighten a child's day, **every mile** moves our mission forward.

YOUR SALON HAS A TICKET ON THE HOPE EXPRESS

Throughout this year, I encourage every Salon in the Southern Division to find meaningful ways to support **Children & Youth**, particularly projects benefiting our **Special Children** and the **Eight and Forty mission.**

Look around your own community.
Where are the children who need us?

Consider children's hospitals, camps, respiratory programs, schools, community organizations, families facing difficult circumstances, and other programs serving children.

Then ask:
"What can our Salon do?"



STARS ALONG THE JOURNEY

I want to hear about what YOU are doing!

Throughout the year, please share your Salon's Children & Youth projects, photographs, accomplishments, creative ideas, and special stories.

Your work deserves to be celebrated, and your ideas may inspire another Salon hundreds of miles away to start a project of its own.

Together, we can create Stars Along the Journey

and show just how far the Southern Division can travel when we work together.

OUR FIRST CHALLENGE

As the **Hope Express** leaves the station, I challenge every Southern Division Salon to identify **at least one Children & Youth project or activity** you would like to accomplish during the 2026–2027 year.



It can be something you've successfully done before or something completely new.

The important thing is to get aboard and start moving.



Then tell me about it!

I want to know where the Hope Express is traveling throughout the Southern Division and how our Partners are serving children along the way.

LET'S SEE HOW MANY MILES OF HOPE WE CAN TRAVEL!

- One Salon can make a difference.
- One Partner can make a difference.
- One project can make a difference.
- Every donation.
- Every volunteer hour.
- Every project.
- Every child helped.
- Every story shared.

EVERY MILE MATTERS

So grab your ticket, bring your ideas, and get ready for an incredible year of service.

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In Service and Fellowship,
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