THE Michael James Cotton FOUNDATION

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Join us for the 3rd Annual
One Heart Touching Many Gala
June 6, 2026

One Night. One Goal. Infinite Impact.

Are you ready to change lives?

Our upcoming **Third Annual Gala** is more than just a fundraiser—it's the engine that powers our mission for the entire year. Every ticket sold and every paddle raised brings us one step closer to helping fund those on their sobriety and mental health journey.

Our **"One Heart Touching Many" Gala Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at the beautiful Lakeway Resort and Spa in Lakeway, TX.**

Energy is building, the silent auction is stacked, and the momentum is unstoppable. We need **your** voice and **your** heart in the room to reach our goals.

Let's change lives together!

We aren't just hosting a party; we're creating a night to remember, filled with incredible testimonials from grant recipients, auction items, gourmet dining, casino fun, and a community ready to make a massive impact.

This is your chance to dress up, show up, and give back in the most spectacular way possible.

Tickets are moving fast Don't let the doors close on you!

Register for Gala here

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Help Us Create an Unforgettable Auction!

Our 3rd Annual Gala is officially just around the corner, and our auction team is looking for more show-stopping items and experiences for our **Live and Silent Auctions.**

Last year, our auction was the talk of the night—and this year, we want to go even bigger. Do you have access to a vacation rental, sports tickets, or a unique "behind-the-scenes" experience?

From luxury stays to local treasures, your tax-deductible donation puts your brand (or your heart!) front and center at the **Lakeway Resort and Spa** on **June 6th**.

Help us reach our goal and make a lasting impact.

Your generosity "touches many hearts" by providing the critical funds we need to serve our community. Don't wait—help us finalize our lineup!

Ready to donate?

Contact Beth at ***beth@themjcfoundation.org*** to secure your spot in our program!

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Celebrating a Milestone: 120+ Grants and Counting

Since officially receiving our 501(c)3 status just 26 months ago, **The Michael James Cotton Foundation** has reached a powerful milestone: we have awarded **over 120 grants** to to young women and men seeking a path forward.

This number represents more than just financial assistance; it represents 120 lives reclaimed, 120 families given hope, and 120 unique journeys toward healing.

Saving Lives, One Grant at a Time

Our mission has always been rooted in the belief that financial barriers should never stand in the way of survival. In the landscape of recovery, these grants are more than assistance; they are a life-saving intervention.

We have seen firsthand how timely support can be the literal difference between life and death. Whether it is securing a spot in a treatment facility or providing the stability needed to stay focused on sobriety and mental health, these resources serve as a lifeline for those who felt they were out of options.

Empowering the Journey to Sobriety

Impact is measured in the strength of those we support. We are incredibly proud of our grant recipients, who do the heavy lifting every single day by:

- **Working Hard:** Committing to the daily discipline of sobriety.
- **Healing:** Facing mental health challenges with courage and professional support.
- **Rebuilding:** Returning as active, healthy members of their communities.

The Road Ahead

While we celebrate these 120+ lives, each one is a testament to Michael's legacy and a promise to keep fighting alongside those in their darkest hours.

*To our donors, we want to extend a heartfelt **"Thank You".** You are the engine behind these success stories. Together, we aren't just funding grants—we are fueling a movement of resilience and recovery.*