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Grace Place Receives \$10,000 Grant from Baker Family Foundation

Naples, FL – December 17, 2024 – Grace Place for Children and Families is thrilled to announce it has been awarded a generous \$10,000 grant from the Baker Family Foundation. This vital funding will directly support the organization's elementary after-school program, which provides 220 students from Golden Gate with enriching educational opportunities and critical support to help them succeed academically and socially.

The elementary after-school program at Grace Place serves children from the Golden Gate community, offering a safe and nurturing environment for learning beyond the traditional school day. With a focus on academic support, literacy, and personal growth, the program helps bridge the achievement gap and empowers students to reach their full potential.

“We are incredibly grateful to the Baker Family Foundation for their commitment to supporting education and their belief in the transformative power of our programs,” said Stacey Vaughn, Chief Development Officer of Grace Place. “This grant will enable us to continue providing high-quality academic support that make a lasting difference in the lives of our students and their families.”

The Baker Family Foundation's generous contribution will be used to enhance program resources, including classroom materials, staff support, and engaging learning activities tailored to the needs of elementary-aged students. With this support, Grace Place can continue to foster a love for learning and equip students with the tools they need for future success.

ABOUT GRACE PLACE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Grace Place for Children and Families, celebrating its 20th year, is a nonprofit family literacy center committed to providing pathways out of poverty by educating children and families. Grace Place enrolls over 1,200 individuals in its education programs each year, offering the nationally recognized early learning initiative Bright Beginnings (nursery to 4 years old), which involves a parent in the early learning needed to be kindergarten ready, and comprehensive School Age Programs (grades K-12) funded by the Florida Department of Education. The organization also provides Adult Education courses and operates a Food Pantry serving hundreds of families weekly. For more information about Grace Place for Children and Families and to explore volunteer opportunities, visit www.graceplacenaples.org.