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## **14TH ANNUAL A SWING OF GRACE GOLF TOURNAMENT RAISES OVER \$523,000 FOR GRACE PLACE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES**

NAPLES, FL — Grace Place for Children and Families hosted its 14th annual charity golf tournament, *A Swing of Grace*, at Bonita Bay Club on Tuesday, May 12, 2026. The event brought together golfers, sponsors, and supporters for a day of community and purpose, raising over \$523,000 to benefit free, family-centered education and English literacy programs for students and families in Naples.

The tournament featured 18 holes on Bonita Bay Club's championship course, followed by a cocktail reception, silent auction, and strolling dinner. The evening closed with remarks from Lupe, an adult student in Grace Place's Bright Beginnings program, whose words captured the heart of the night.

"Because of you, hard-working families like mine get the support we need," she said. "This helps us build a better and brighter future for our children, which is the hope and dream of every parent."

"A Swing of Grace is a testament to what is possible when a community comes together around a shared belief that education changes everything," said Grace Place CEO Lära Fisher. "The support we received this year was extraordinary, and every dollar raised will go directly toward helping students and families build brighter, more stable futures. We are deeply grateful to everyone who showed up for our families."

Proceeds support Grace Place's no-cost educational programs for families in Naples, including early childhood development, after-school and college readiness programs, and adult education in English, financial literacy, and technology. By equipping entire families with English literacy skills and pathways to college and careers, Grace Place works to end generational poverty one family at a time.

Grace Place extends special thanks to its generous sponsors whose support made the event possible: Calvary Chapel Naples, First Horizon Foundation, Lisa and Ken Ewell, Diane and Michael McGrath, Mercedes Benz Bonita Springs and Naples, and Naples Illustrated.

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**About Grace Place for Children and Families**

Grace Place for Children and Families is a nonprofit organization in Naples, Florida, that helps remove barriers to opportunity by providing free, family-centered English literacy programs. By supporting every member of the family, from infants through adults, Grace Place strengthens English skills, academic success, and pathways to college and careers. Discover more at [graceplacenaples.org](http://graceplacenaples.org), follow @graceplacenaples on social media, or schedule a campus tour to see the impact in action.