



**Gas South - Buckhead Coalition Partnership Gives Record-Breaking \$310K Donation to Shepherd Center**

ATLANTA – Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Leading natural gas provider Gas South is excited to announce a generous donation of \$310,000 through the Buckhead Coalition, more than tripling their previous donation of \$100,000 in 2022. The donation will benefit the creation of a Gas South Family Recreational Room at the new Arthur M. Blank Family Residences, which will accommodate the increased family housing demand that will follow the expansion of Shepherd Center’s inpatient and day programs.

“The Buckhead Coalition is proud to partner with Gas South in support of the world-class care that Shepherd Center provides for those recovering from devastating injuries,” said Jim Durrett, President and CEO of the Buckhead Coalition.

Gas South's commitment to Shepherd Center, in collaboration with the Buckhead Coalition, traces back to the late Mayor Sam Massel and has evolved into an enduring 11-year partnership.

“We express our gratitude to Mayor Massell for his vision and leadership to bring our three community-minded organizations together to do good things for families in need” Kevin Greiner, President and CEO of Gas South, said. “Together, we are empowered to create positive change and uplift the communities we serve.”

Greiner currently serves on the Buckhead Coalition Board of Directors. This latest donation supports Shepherd Center’s Pursuing Possible capital campaign, which will transform Shepherd Center’s footprint and the way they serve their patients and community for years to come.

“We’re grateful for this enduring collaboration with the Buckhead Coalition and Shepherd Center,” said Gas South Vice President of Customer Operations Greg Dunavant, who also serves as Chair on the Shepherd Impact Council and as a Board Member for the Shepherd Center Foundation. “This partnership enables us to uplift our community even more through our services and philanthropy.”

Gas South has donated more than \$550,000 to Shepherd Center since 2013.

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**Attached Photo Cutline:** Buckhead Coalition President & CEO Jim Durrett (at left), Kevin Greiner, President & CEO Gas South (center) and Gas South Vice President of Customer Operations Greg Dunavant (right back) present check for \$310,000 to Shepherd Center. Accepting the check for Shepherd Center were (from left) Ali Prickett, Philanthropy Officer and Alana Shepherd, Founder and Chairman of the Board.



**About The Buckhead Coalition:**

The Buckhead Coalition is a nonprofit civic association with a mission to advocate on behalf of the Buckhead community within the city of Atlanta and metropolitan region; to support the well-being of Buckhead’s residents, businesses, and visitors; to convene public and private sector leaders and partner organizations; and to connect Buckhead to other areas of the city and region. For more information, visit [www.thebuckheadcoalition.com](http://www.thebuckheadcoalition.com).

**About Gas South:**

Gas South is one of the largest retail natural gas providers to over 450,000 residential, business and government customers in 14 states spanning across the Southeast, Mid-Atlantic and Midwest. Gas South is an Atlanta-based subsidiary of Cobb EMC, providing simple natural gas plans and excellent customer service. Gas South upholds its mission to *Be A Fuel For Good* by giving back 5% of their annual profits to help children in need, prioritizing basic needs, education and health. The company has donated more than \$16 million to charities since 2006, including \$4.5 million in 2023, its largest year ever for corporate giving. To learn more about Gas South and its mission to *Be A Fuel For Good*, visit [www.GasSouth.com](http://www.GasSouth.com).

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