

ENDING FAMILY HOMELESSNESS, ONE FAMILY AT A TIME.

- Celebrating three years of serving the Knoxville community, Family Promise of Knoxville is modeled after a successful 20-year-old national program. Family Promise reduces family homelessness by mobilizing the interfaith community and existing area resources to provide shelter, meals, life-skills training, and comprehensive support to homeless children and their families: enabling them to achieve sustainable independence. Family Promise is ending family homelessness - one family at a time.
- Family Promise of Knoxville hosted its first families on July 3, 2005. Since that day, Family Promise has served 225 guests -- 59% have been children -- and moved 45 families into permanent or temporary housing: a 69% success rate of securing permanent or transitional housing for long-term sustainable independence.
- Through staff members, the mobilization of existing community resources, and hundreds of volunteers, Family Promise provides comprehensive services to families at a fraction of the cost of government programs. In 2005, the National Alliance to End Homelessness conducted a cost analysis of a traditional shelter vs. Family Promise. The study shows the program saves money for American communities:

Traditional Shelter	\$ 200 (bed, meals, employment counseling)
Family Promise	\$ 70 (bed/shelter; meals; employment, budget, nutrition counseling; housing referrals, childcare, legal & medical assistance, related transportation)
Savings per Family & Night	\$ 130

Multiply by 4 -- Family Promise serves about 4 families a night

Traditional Shelter	\$ 800
Family Promise	\$ 280
Savings per Night	\$ 520

Multiply by 365 days per year

Traditional Shelter	\$292,000
Family Promise	\$102,200
Savings per Year, Per Family Promise	\$189,800

- Throughout the country Family Promise shows proven success: In 2007, 80% of guests families secured permanent or transitional housing -- helping reduce family homelessness.

PROGRAM REPORT

July 2005 - October 2008

Services

- 225 Individuals Served
 - 64 Families (31 - Knox County) (17 - Other Counties) (16 - Out-of-State)
 - 132 Children (62 Children, 5 & Under)
- 26 Former Guests Returned for Additional Services
- 416 Individuals (*not included above*) Received Assistance or Referral
- 59 Days, Average Length of Stay
- 11,991 Shelter Nights
- 36,585 Meals Served
- 16,866 Volunteer Hours (2007)
 - 12 Host & 18 Support Churches
- **Results**
 - 69% Success Rate
 - 45 Families Secured Permanent or Transitional Housing
 - 17 Families Referred to Other Shelters or Unknown Housing Status
 - 26 Guests Found Employment During Stay

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HOST CONGREGATIONS

Ball Camp Baptist

Bearden United Methodist

Church of the Ascension Episcopal

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First Baptist Knoxville

First Farragut United Methodist

First Presbyterian

Fountain City Presbyterian

Fountain City United Methodist

Powell Presbyterian

Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist

Trinity United Methodist

SUPPORT CONGREGATIONS

Church of the Savior United Church of Christ

Church Street United Methodist

Crossroads Christian

First Christian

First Presbyterian of Lenoir City

First United Methodist

Holy Ghost Roman Catholic

John XXIII Roman Catholic

Knoxville Jewish Alliance

Knoxville Mennonite Church

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