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ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT



Director's Note

What a year 2020 was!

I don't say that completely negatively though. While I saw some of the most painful and heartbreaking stories unfold that I have ever seen, I also saw some of the most tremendous and unprecedented generosity during this difficult time. The stories enclosed warm my heart and bolster my belief that, Together We Can!



Warmly,

Jennifer Fagenbaum
Executive Director

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Merry Christmas! From a single dad in the FPSSC Open Door Program in 2020

I would like to take this time to thank you from the bottom of my heart for what you did for myself and my boys/family! It is not every day that people go out of their way to do what you guys did and I am so grateful! I had been really struggling due to COVID after being laid off in April 2020. Family Promise helped me with rent assistance but then stayed in touch. Then someone donated gifts for my boys for Christmas. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year and know that I will never forget 2020 and all you did to help us!

Love, Joshua, Dylan, Cameron, Caiden and Carter





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Pathways Home

"I'm receiving a stimulus check that I am so grateful that I don't have to have to survive. While I always make donations to Family Promise and other agencies that help with vulnerable people and animals, I decided this year to double my donations. We can do this together. Wilda Kelly"

"I was a Real Estate Broker for 25 years in Omaha Nebraska. We have a lot of rental homes and many renters are only one or two paychecks from being homeless. We understand how fast a family can become homeless. We feel that Family Promise is giving a Hand Up to the problem and not just throwing money at the problem. Good luck!! Thanks, Mike and Pam Rezac"

In-Kind Support

Including volunteer hours, meals, goods, shelter, transportation, etc.:

\$427,448

Family Promise SSC started our new Pathways Home Program (PH) in 2020. One of the families entering that program, Hannah and her son, Kingsman, had a rough year in 2020.

Through the generous support of our donors and community, we were able to work with a local landlord and FPSSC rented a home from him. When Hannah and Kingsman were about to be homeless, we were able to sub-lease this home to them for an affordable program fee. Hannah will be able to save money and work toward better financial stability while in this home for at least a year. When FPSSC's lease expires, our hope is that the landlord is pleased with Hannah and Kingsman and will turn the lease over to them so they do not have to move again.

As mentioned previously, Hannah had a rough year and hopefully with the help and support of our staff and our amazing community, this family will be able to come out of this crisis with the knowledge that they can overcome anything... together!

For more information on our Pathways Home Program, visit our www.familypromisessc.org.



162Total Families Served
(All Programs)



10,000+Meals Provided



88%

Families We Served Find Permanent Housing



1,200+ Volunteers

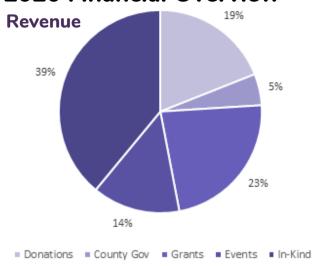


52 Days Shelter Average Length of Stay

STATS ON SERVICES TO STABILIZE FAMILIES (OD & PH)

152 Families; including 483 individuals, 282 of those were children

2020 Financial Overview



Programs

OPEN DOORS (OD)

40% of Americans are just one unexpected expense from financial distress. Preventing families from spiraling into homelessness is an essential part of the Family Promise mission. We offer a variety of strategies to ensure the people we serve do not fall into the cycle of housing instability that can devastate families and alter the course of children's lives. These include administering formal diversion programs, providing rental assistance and landlord mediation, and community-based approaches that keep families housed.

BRIDGE HOUSING (BH)

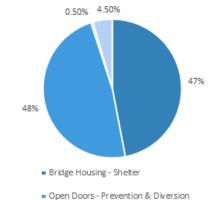
Hospitality is a powerful word and it is at the heart of the Family Promise shelter program. Across this country, communities offer hospitality to families through Family Promise Affiliates. This innovative model—using existing space like congregations and volunteers motivated by compassion—has helped hundreds of thousands of children and adults in our 200+ Affiliates nationwide. Working with community resources, Family Promise Affiliates provide comprehensive and targeted services, including extensive case management, at one-third the cost of traditional shelter. Furthermore, affiliates are able to serve families of all compositions, often providing their only shelter option in a community.

Envisioning a nation where every family has a home, a livelihood, and the chance to build a better future.

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NEW - Pathways Home Affordable Housing

Administration

Expenses

PATHWAYS HOME (PH) - OUR NEWEST PROGRAM

Homelessness has many causes and housing stability involves many solutions. Our goal is not simply getting families into housing; it is keeping them in housing. The result is families no longer at risk of homelessness. We help families by creating the basis for that security. Our new Pathways Home program provides an affordable place to live while clients work toward improved life and financial skills and income. This stability separates families from poverty and allows them and their children to aspire to the future every family and child deserves. Through Pathways Home, FPSSC leases and owns property for which the client family pays a small program fee to live in while working with case managers on overcoming roadblocks to greater income and prosperity. To learn more about this program or to help FPSSC provide this low-cost housing to families in need, please visit our website at www.familypromisessc.org.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS THE ANSWER

Of Sarasota County households with children, 37% or 10,393 households (including over 60,000 people), are struggling to meet basic living expenses, which is defined by the United Way's ALICE report as requiring \$56,520 in annual income for a family of four. Single parents are hit especially hard, with over 60% not meeting this basic survival budget threshold.

We help families experiencing homelessness and low-income families achieve sustainable independence through a community-based response.

Investing in our community



"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

~Margaret Mead

Help families unlock the door to safe, permanent housing, which is the gateway to a brighter and better future for all the children we serve. By giving of your time, talents and treasure to Family Promise of South Sarasota County, you are ensuring that homelessness for children is rare, brief and non-recurring.



FOR OUR CHILDREN - Monthly Giving Program

Family homelessness knows no season. Please consider joining other For Our Children monthly donors with a recurring monthly gift to give children in need the promise of home all year long. Simply go to our website, www.familypromisessc.org, click on donate and chose to make it a recurring gift. Making this commitment allows

Family Promise of South Sarasota County to properly plan for future growth to better meet the needs of homeless and at-risk children and families. Members will be recognized in our annual report, newsletter, website and event programs.

Thank You FOR OUR CHILDREN Monthly Donors 2020

Matthew Britton - Michael Cornell - Anthony Defilippo - Charles Denton
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Legacy/Planned Giving & Endowment Giving

Make a difference, change lives forever! With a Lifetime

Charitable Gift, After-Life Gift and/or Endowment Gift, you can help fund the work of FPSSC because you know just how much good is possible!



Funding for Property & Property Donations

Affordable housing is the answer to the homeless families

issue. By donating a home or funding to purchase a home, you will be helping us to create affordable housing for our local working families.

To Donate go to www.familypromisessc.org or call or email to 941-497-9881, info@familypromisessc.org





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