

Media Reference Guide



A Columbus-based nonprofit organization providing homeless prevention and rehousing, education, and financial stabilization services, Home for Families is dedicated to holistic, strength-based programs celebrating each person's resilience, hopes, and dreams for their future.

Our Mission

Home for Families partners with families and youth to resolve their housing crises, strengthen financial stability, and bridge education gaps to prevent future homelessness.

Our Vision

Home for Families will be the leading ally and innovative housing advocate preventing and ending homelessness for Central Ohio families and youth.

Historical Background

Originally founded as The Homeless Families Foundation, Homes for Families (HFF) was established in 1986 by impassioned community members driven by the conviction that no child should ever experience homelessness -- not even for a night. HFF began operations with five modest apartments and an all-volunteer staff. In 1991, the first children's program, a two-week summer camp, was introduced.

Today, HFF delivers comprehensive wraparound services and holistic programs tailored to support the entire family unit. We champion the fundamental rights of all families, including housing security, financial stability, and educational opportunity. Our experienced staff uses multiple housing prevention and housing options, providing case management and connections to crucial services and resources. By addressing systemic barriers to stability, we empower the families we serve to overcome their housing challenges, address the trauma of homelessness and housing insecurity, and thrive beyond their time in shelter.

Programming



As the largest non-shelter provider of family housing in Franklin County, HFF helps nearly 1,000 and youths (nearly 2,000 individuals) each year achieve housing stability and financial self-sufficiency through essential housing interventions, homelessness prevention, and wraparound supportive services.

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Our programs empower families to overcome homelessness and chronic housing instability through proven, Housing-First and rapid re-housing strategies that provide our clients with the targeted assistance and intensive case management services that they need to transition from emergency shelter to permanent homes. We also help families achieve financial stability through direct financial and in-kind material support and referrals and linkages to community resources, including financial, educational, and employment services. Additionally, our out-of-school-time and kindergarten readiness (SPARK) education programs help low-income children achieve academic success, regardless of their family's housing situation.

Our network of programs provide a vital continuum of care in the housing community that meets the holistic and specific needs of our clients. We work collaboratively with an array of community partners and local, county, and state governments to ensure that our clients have access to the resources they need to achieve housing stability and financial self-sufficiency.

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