## FAMILIES TC GETHER 20 ANNUAL 23 REPORT

In 1980, a small group of concerned community members conceived an idea that has since flourished into a 44-year steadfast commitment to helping families with children transition from homelessness to a place they can call home.

This Annual Report spotlights the positive, life-changing impact Families Together made in 2023, together with our amazing community of volunteers, donors, partners, and sponsors by serving over 700 children and parents in 225 families.

# PRIORITIZING **CHILDREN IN** HOUSING

Facing homelessness is especially devastating for children. Our mission is to swiftly house families with children and offer sustained, comprehensive support to establish stable homes and enduring housing solutions.

## **TOTAL ASSISTED**

















# **PRESERVING FAMILY UNITY**

In the face of a diminishing supply of affordable housing in Wake County and a simultaneous rise in family homelessness, Families Together has responded with an intentional, multi-faceted approach. We tripled the capacity of our Emergency Shelter, sustained our property portfolio, strategically collaborated with partners, and provided expanded holistic support for the whole family.



## EMERGENCY SHELTER 55 Families

Families Together (FT) provided urgently needed shelter for families with children experiencing homelessness, ensuring they remained together in a secure environment, engaging with our mentor advocates while seeking permanent housing.



## SHELTER ACCOMMODATIONS 22,177 Bed Nights\*

FT expanded shelter capacity, offering individual family members a safe and warm bed for extended periods. \*One night of shelter for one person equals one bed night.



### FAMILIES TOGETHER PROPERTIES 9 Families

The FT property portfolio, including Bridge Housing, Transitional Housing, and Affordable Permanent Rental Housing, provided a response to our community's shortage of affordable housing for extremely low-income families.



## LEASES SIGNED 66 Families

Housing navigation services and assistance with skyrocketing rent and utilities facilitated the transition of families from area shelters to permanent housing with leases in their own names.

## **ONGOING HOLISTIC SUPPORT** 80 Families

Mentor Advocates collaborated with each family for up to 12-18 months post-lease signing, providing case management, specialized support services, and connections to community resources.



## TRANSITIONING FAMILIES TO HOUSING 80% Successfully Housed

Despite the mounting housing crisis, 3 out of 4 families enrolled for Rapid Rehousing support obtained permanent housing.



### LONG-TERM HOUSING SUCCESS 94% Success Rate

Housing stabilization support for up to 12-18 months aided the vast majority in achieving successful housing outcomes.





## EMPOWERING SUSTAINABLE HOUSING SUCCESS

FT's tailored support, encompassing behavioral health assistance, employment and financial empowerment services, access to childcare, transportation, and basic necessities, enabled families to enhance financial stability, access better-paying jobs, and achieve goals in education, health, and housing. In concrete terms:

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NEW LANDLORD PARTNERS ADDED

SKILLS-BUILDING WORKSHOPS CONDUCTED

HOUSING VOUCHERS OBTAINED

INDIVIDUALS RECEIVED FT EMPLOYMNET SERVICES

INDIVIDUALS RECEIVED FT HEALTHCARE SUPPORT

NEW JOBS SECURED

FAMILIES GRADUATED



## BUILDING AND PARTNERING FOR HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

In 2023, Families Together took significant strides assisting with a pipeline of 200 units of critically needed shelter, bridge, and affordable rental units through construction, renovation, and strategic partnerships. Ongoing projects include the expansion of the emergency shelter, the rehabilitation of a triplex, both led by Families Together, and a partnership with the developers of New Bern Crossing, where FT will serve as the on-site support services coordinator for a 192-unit multi-family affordable development, bringing our effective strategic approach to more families and aiding in their long-term housing success.

# **COMMUNITY COLLABORATION**

Our work thrives on the generosity and commitment of steadfast supporters from across the community, including:

**650** Individuals, foundations, churches, and businesses providing critical financial support

**77** Individuals and groups donating essential supplies and services

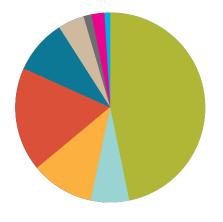
**465** Volunteers contributing 966 hours of community service

**25+** Local agencies partnering with us to support families in need

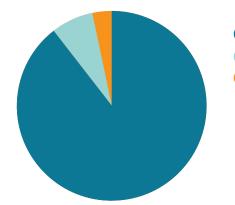
**1 4** Board members guiding FT's mission and vision



## Revenue 2022/23 \$2,723,736



## Expense 2022/23 \$3,014,423



- Government 47%
- United Way 6%
- Foundations 10%
- Individuals 17%
- Businesses 10%
- Churches 5%
- In-Kind 2%
- Program Fees 3%
- Miscellaneous >1%
- Program 88% Administrative 8% Fundraising 4%

# STORY OF IMPACT

Gwen's journey began amid significant housing challenges for her family. Through diligent collaboration with our team and holistic wraparound support, she overcame obstacles and graduated from our program.

Upon joining our Voices Together program, Gwen discovered her voice and advocacy skills for Families Together. She extended her service by joining the FT Board, providing a valuable perspective as someone with lived experience and expertise as a new HR professional. Gwen's skillset proved critical to FT's growth, particularly during a significant leadership transition last year.

Gwen's story beautifully illustrates a full circle. We provided crucial support during a challenging time for her family, and in turn, she played a pivotal role in guiding us through a challenging period for our organization. Our steadfast partnerships over many years will pay untold dividends toward making our community better for all of us.

## **CORPORATE PARTNERS & LEADERSHIP CIRCLES**

#### **COMMUNITY CHAMPION**

**\$100,000 or more** United Way of the Greater Triangle

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#### **COMMUNITY CATALYST**

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\$10,000 - \$24,999

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Families Together is a Community Impact Partner of the United Way of the Greater Triangle. We have a Platinum Rating from GuideStar and were selected for participation in the NC State Employee Combined Campaign (designation code 3957).





