

ANNUAL REPORT



**Family Promise
of Baldwin County**

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OUR MISSION

To provide temporary shelter, transitional housing, related services and nurturing support to families with children experiencing homelessness and to assist them with obtaining suitable and permanent housing.

Dear Family Promise Friends and Supporters,

Family Promise of Baldwin County has been serving homeless families with children since 2008, and we're happy to say 2023 was another blessed year.

In the past year, we have seen the need for programs grow exponentially. With a rising cost of living and lack of affordable workforce housing, many members of our community are struggling. Family Promise has continued offer shelter as well as to expand our programming to meet this rising demand. In 2023, we served **184 unique individuals**. Our Prevention and Diversion programs served **42 families** preserving stable housing for **98 children**.

We are very excited for the expansion of our Transitional Housing program. In 2022, FPBC purchased 7.8 acres next to our Day Center in Summerdale. This acreage is the site of our Tiny Hope Hotel serving several families in lieu of hotel stays, and our Hope House. The Hope House has been a temporary transitional home to several families allowing them time to secure independent permanent housing.

This past year our Board of Directors adopted a Strategic Plan to direct the development of our new property. This plan includes the construction of an additional 10 single family units to serve as affordable workforce housing. With the help of committed volunteers and plenty of hard work we have cleared the property and are now prepared to move forward in adopting a Master Site Plan.

We are looking forward to everything 2024 has in store for the growth of Family Promise of Baldwin County. We hope you will consider joining us on this journey.



Sincerely,

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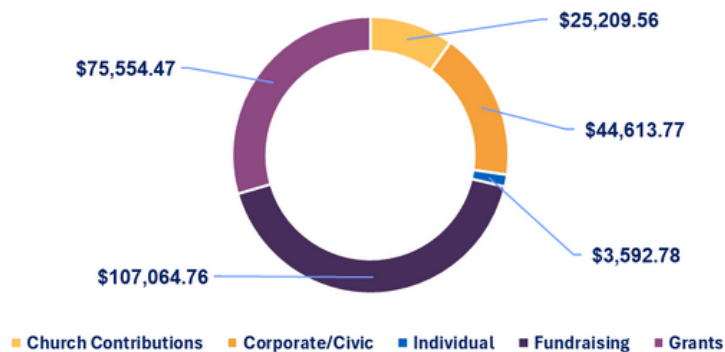
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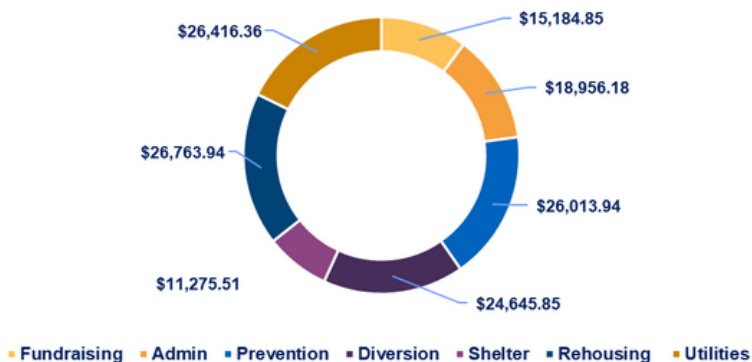


Family Promise of Baldwin County 2023 Financial Overview

2023 INCOME



2023 EXPENSE



NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

In 2022, Family Promise of Baldwin County began expanding our **Transitional Housing Program** with the purchase of 7.8 acres. In the last year, our staff and board recruited an expert to help us adopt our Strategic Plan for implementing this major undertaking. This process included surveying external stakeholders, curating timelines, identifying partnerships and funding sources and all steps necessary to ensure a successful venture. We are looking forward to adopting a Master Site Plan in the near future and look forward to being “shovel ready” in 2024.

Worship on the Water has offered immense support to our program, hosting us for several speaking engagements and raising \$20,000 in donations from their congregation!

Every child entering shelter is provided with a “comfort Kit”, this includes a new pillow and bedding set of their choosing. **Eastern Shore Sertoma Club** donated \$1,400 for the purchase of these kits so that we can offer a variety of age and styles to make each kid feel at home.

Foley's Society of Black Hats hosted their **Annual Witch's Ride**, a lively event that benefits a multitude of charitable causes, including that of Family Promise of Baldwin County. This year they offered their continued support, honoring us with a \$10,000 check!

Resale Heaven has been an incredible support. This year they blessed our organization with a \$10,000 donation!

Our **16th Annual Chocolate Affair** was a great success again this year! With the generous support of local business and donors we raised over \$58,000!



We Love our Volunteers!



Neighborhood Bridges helped us pair a family with a much needed vehicle, large enough for family of 12.

PROGRAMS

EMERGENCY SHELTER PROGRAM & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Our Emergency Shelter Program is a rotational model, utilizing our Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN). FPBC partners with local congregations to provide beds and meals for families at night. This allows our organization and hosts to accommodate 4 families, or up to 15 people, at a time. In 2023, we were thrilled to welcome Robertsdale Church of Christ as our newest host congregation. They have been a blessing to our organization and our families, regularly hosting our families and continued education courses.

FPBC provided emergency shelter to 70 individuals. Our volunteers provided 7,791 meals!

We currently own 2 transitional homes. These homes are offered to individuals whom are ready to support their families independently while they are in search of their permanent housing.

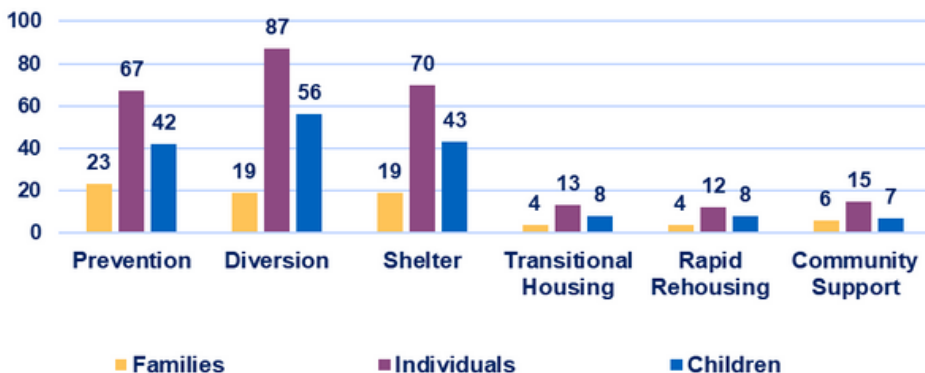
SHELTER DIVERSION & HOMELESS PREVENTION PROGRAMS

FPBC's Diversion and Prevention Programs have doubled the number of families we are able to aide in their time of need. Prevention services are geared to provide support to families in imminent danger of losing their homes. Our Diversion program focuses on providing rental assistance and resources to families, avoiding entrance into emergency shelter. In 2023, 154 individuals received these services, preventing 99 children from experiencing homelessness!

GRADUATE AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

This program provides support to former families of the Shelter Program; as well as families experiencing crisis and low-income families in the community. This includes case management services, financial literacy classes, resource referrals, and other assistance to keep our community on track. 24 individuals were a part of our Graduate and Community Outreach Program in 2022.

2023 PROGRAMS IMPACT



FPBC served 428 individuals in 2023. Some individuals were supported in multiple programs.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT & PARTNERSHIPS

- Baldwin County Impact 100
- Baldwin Realtor's Foundation
- Belforest Christian
- Belk
- Charles and Michelle Huguley
- Christ in Action
- Christ Presbyterian
- Christ the King Catholic Church
- Church of the Apostles
- Church of the Highlands
- Eastern Shore Baptist Church
- Fairhope Christian Church
- Fairhope United Methodist
- Foley Society of Black Hats
- Foley United Methodist Church
- Gulf Shores First Presbyterian Church
- Hart's All Supply
- Holy Spirit Episcopal Church
- Leslie Alexander Foundation
- Lillian United Methodist Church
- Lolique
- Malouf Furniture & Design
- National Charity League
- Noble Family Foundation
- Orange Beach Presbyterian
- Orange Beach United Methodist Church
- Philip and Rhonda Hadley
- Redeemer Lutheran
- Resale Haven
- Resurrection Church
- RJB Family Foundation
- Robertsdale Church of Christ
- Robyn Roberts
- The Snook Foundation
- Spanish Fort United Methodist Church
- St. Andrew by the Sea
- St. James Episcopal Church
- St. Margaret Queen of Scotland Catholic Church
- St. Patrick Catholic Church
- St. Paul's Episcopal
- St. Peter's Episcopal Church
- Trinity Presbyterian
- United Way of Baldwin County
- Whit's Frozen Custard
- Worship on the Water