

Families of 500

We have 51 Families of 500!
Please pledge now to get us to 60 families in honor of our second anniversary!

Board

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We are seeking two more board members as we grow the size of our board.

A message from Executive Director Shannon Fisher:

Has a four year old ever told you a joke? Typically, they are rambling and fail to have anything resembling a punch line. Likely total nonsense. No offense, four year olds reading this.

Lately, I've had the joy of sharing a joke with an FPJ guest. Every couple days she whispers to me, "I don't trust stairs." I dutifully ask her why she feels that way. Honestly, it gets me every time when she replies, "because they are up to something." The joy of this encounter (and how good that joke is) makes my days so special.

Recently at a meeting with the congregational coordinators, Dennis Cunningham described volunteering at Family Promise as filling his pot with oil. Perhaps he was alluding to a biblical story, but maybe he also meant how using his time in this way keeps him energized and fulfilled. I agree with him strongly. Spending time with Family Promise guests is a joyful part of my job.

Yes, it is real, and we walk with people through a difficult season. But always, even when things don't end up how I'd hoped, I am blessed by every family I encounter. I am further convinced participation in FPJ is grows our guests and grows our volunteers. We become better, deeper, more thoughtful people.

Since April of 2017 FPJ has grown in relationship with 22 families experiencing homelessness. We have grown in relationship with over 500 volunteers, 17 faith congregations, and seven civic groups. Juneau, you have provided 113 continues weeks of service to these 22 families. You have changed lives by taking pressure off adults who did not have to worry about a roof over their child's head and where the next meals would come from. Now, kids are sleeping under their own roofs in safe homes. Parents are buoyed by the success from their own hard work.

I pray that this has changed you too. For the better. Spread the word, because we always welcome more people who want to make a meaningful impact.



Congregations & Organizations

Hosting

Chapel by the Lake
Northern Light United Church
Shepherd of the Valley
Holy Trinity
The Salvation Army
Church of the Nazarene
Church of Christ
St. Paul's
Cathedral of the Nativity
Resurrection Lutheran
St. Brendan's
Emmanuel Baptist

Supporting

Juneau Unitarian
Universalist Fellowship
Auke Bay Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints
Alaska Native Sisterhood Camp 2
TMHS National Honor Society

Circle of 500

Congregation Sukkat Shalom
Shepherd of the Valley
Chapel by the Lake
Holy Trinity
Bishop Segher's Council #1760
Bishop Crimont Assembly
NLUC Community of Christian Women
Northern Light United Church
Filipino Community, Inc.

Job Opportunities:

Executive Director: We are excited for our Executive Director Shannon Fisher on her engagement to Brendan Vaughn! Shannon is a fantastic executive director, but she wants to live by her betrothed by the end of September.

We are beginning the search for our next Executive Director. Please send resumes to director@familypromisejuneau.org by July 7.

Van Driver: We are looking for a weekday morning van driver to pick up guests at 6:30 am and remain at the day center until 9:30 am.



Office Manager: We are also looking for an administrative assistant to provide technological support, enter data into our cloud based database, and track donations.

Both positions require a background check. The van driver needs to be over 25 and a clean driving record. 500-3032 for more information.

Lives Touched:

Total bed nights since opening: 5000!
22 families served
16 graduated
3 in rotation
84 total people

Of the families we have served 83% have graduated into housing, this is above the national average. Studies show that 86% of families who graduate from Family Promise remain permanently housed.

We are always learning. Thank you for those who spoke up at the last volunteer training about the bias in the training materials.



Thank you to all the congregational coordinators.

The congregational coordinators gathered on June 25 and shared a lovely supper and conversation about retaining volunteers. Ideas were brought forward to make volunteers more visible to the faith communities, thus elevating their value and showing appreciation. Opportunities need to be made available for volunteers to give feedback and to connect to one another.

We all need to be reminded of how we are making a difference in the lives of our neighbors by investing in their lives.

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Finances at a glimpse:

We are halfway through the year so a good time to look at the budget.

Yearly budget: \$138,000

Income to date: \$60,000

Expenses to date: \$57,313

Needed in July to pass halfway point: \$9000

Family Promise of Juneau meets every dollar donated with at least three dollars of in-kind offering. We are able to provide hospitality as well as wraparound support so families can find permanent housing. The families who find housing during the program are often still in that housing a year later.



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Pulled Pork Picnic
Kid's Races * Bouncy House * Prizes
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5pm to 6:30pm
Shepherd of the Valley
4212 Mendenhall Loop Rd

Accepting entries for BBQ Sauce, Baked Beans, Coleslaw and Potato Salad
at www.bitly.com/fpibbq

Tickets: \$20 for individuals, \$50 for families up to 2 adults and 3 children

