

Families of 500

We have 51 Families of 500!
Watch for letters with an update on giving.

Board

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Next board meeting is
Tuesday, October 8 at
Chapel by the Lake at
4:15 pm

A message from Outgoing Executive Director Shannon Fisher:

Around the Family Promise day center we always say it doesn't happen until it happens. That new job or the new apartment that you got the verbal commitment for, we walk with families until it is certain. And even after that. On September 30 I will load onto the ferry and make the trek south to be with my fiancé in Seattle. I don't think it will totally feel real until that day.

I cannot think of a better reason to move, but it is bittersweet to leave. When the Family Promise director position brought me to Juneau I thought I knew a lot about community. That it was hard, and beautiful, and essential. Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote about his experience in a community of seminarians working against the Nazis in his book Life Together. He quotes Psalm 133 "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity" but later describes the paradox that: "The person who loves their dream of community will destroy community, but the person who loves those around them will create community."

In Juneau, relationships can go back decades. That is decades of hurt and healing, of history and growth. It is hard to run away from community here. Community is at its best when it is working together for a common goal. In our desire for kiddos and their families to be in safe, secure, permanent housing we have lived some life together. You have served through faith communities, civic groups, and as individuals to provide 6,000 bed nights and 18,000 meals to 23 families have shown me a depth of community I had not experienced before. Thank you for letting me be part of our response to families in crisis in our community.

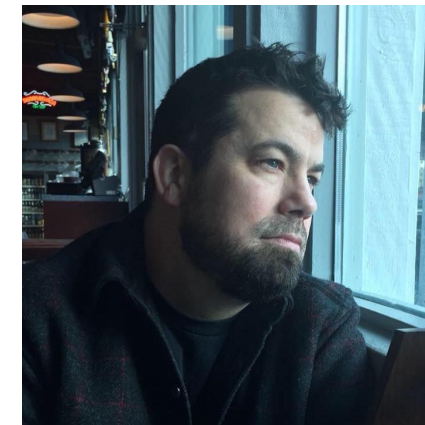
Thank you to the coordinators who arrange and shepherd volunteers for a week at a time, sometimes up to five weeks a year; I am in total awe of each of you. Thank you to those who participated in the early planning stages of FPJ, to those who joined the initial board, and those on the current board. You give heart, vision and time, and joy to this important work. Thank you to our funders. You ask insightful and challenging questions, and I am always proud to share how we have put your generosity to impactful and responsible work.

We talk about providing community to our guests. But our guests provide community to us, and we to one another. Juneau, thank you for the friendship and community you have provided me.

Welcome!

Executive Director: Katti Carlson joined us from Family Promise of the Palouse. She moved up with her husband Josey and two teen sons Tucker and Konnor and started on September 18 in Juneau.

Katti has a Masters in Social Work and nearly five years of experience leading a Family Promise. Katti is passionate about family homelessness and educating others about homelessness, and its effects on children and families. When not working with families Katti loves to be with her family enjoying the outdoors. Give them a call if you are planning an adventure.



Rapid Rehousing Coordinator: Richard Cole comes to Family Promise by way of AWARE, where he coordinated the Men's Accountability Program as well as other men's engagement work. He was raised in Sitka and has been in Juneau for the past 14 years. Richard is a husband, and father of two teens, and enjoys spending time with his family in the outdoors of Southeast Alaska. He serves on the boards of KTOO and Coast Alaska and has been involved in a variety of other organizations around the community. Richard is excited for the new challenge of working with Family Promise as Rapid Rehousing Project Manager and looks forward to working with our community partners.

Rapid Rehousing is a grant from the Mental Health Trust to help people stay in housing or quickly move into housing.

Office Administrator: Jen Pegues

I am a mother to three athletic and energetic young boys, and I have a very supporting and loving husband, Tom. I love being outdoors and going on adventures with my family, friends, and two old faithful dogs, that I spoil more than myself. I've been actively involved in the Shepherd of the Valley Summer Lunch Program over the past few summers, and I'm beyond excited to be a part of Family Promise of Juneau.

Van Driver: Russ Reifel

Please take the time to introduce yourselves and welcome this new crew.



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.

Lives Touched:

Total bed nights since opening: over 6000
23 families served
17 graduated
2 in rotation
86 total people

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
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Chapel by the Lake
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Thank you to all our sponsors.

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Finances at a glimpse:

It's PFD time! We'd like to encourage folks to give 10% to Family Promise. Our budget relies heavily on individual donations. Please help us finish the year strong.

Yearly budget: \$138,000

Income to date: \$99,500

Expenses to date: \$91,625

Needed to finish the year: \$46,375

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.

Taste of Promise

Join us for a cook off,
silent auction
& music.

**COOK
OFF!**

Sunday, October 20
5:30-7:30
Chapel by the Lake

Tickets \$10.00

**Vote for your
favorite dish.**

All proceeds go to Family Promise of Juneau,
a community response to family homelessness.

The poster features a blue stove with a pot on top, a red starburst graphic containing the text "COOK OFF!", and a background of crumpled paper.

We are looking for entries in the cook-off and silent auction. The entry form is on our website or send your information to admin@juneaufamilypromise.org

Please join us and invite your friends to the next **volunteer training** on Sunday, October 13 at 1 pm at Amalga Distillery.