

Families of 500

We have 51 Families of 500!
Our goal is 60. If you become a new Family of 500 before or during the halibut dinner, then your donation will be matched by the Block Foundation.

Board

Please feel free to contact any of the board members below.

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A message from Executive Director, Katti Carlson :

Family Promise of Juneau (FPJ) is sure rocking around the clock. As we all adjust to recent changes including new staff and programming, we celebrate the new opportunities. The Rapid Rehousing program gives us the ability to support households while they remain in their home.

Over the last few months we experienced a phase without families to immediately serve within our shelter. Even with no families, there is still a lot going on in FPJ. Coordinators are still planning for their weeks of service; the staff is still getting phone calls, intakes and holding community meetings; and the FPJ Board of Directors is still meeting, fundraising and carrying FPJ with their wonderful leadership.

It is often an assumption that if we are not serving families then there is no need - they are all safe, sheltered or housed. I honestly wish it was true. There are 82 children currently enrolled in the Families in Transition Program through Juneau School District and 1 in every 16-25 children experience homelessness in Alaska (Family Promise National). In short, just because we are not serving homeless families in shelter does not mean there aren't any.

It could, however, mean a multitude of things:

- Families do not know of FPJ,
 - Families are afraid to enter shelter due to the stigma around being in a homeless shelter, or wrong assumptions being made about being in shelter,
 - Families are embarrassed to ask for help,
 - Families are fearful of what such a big change could entail and overwhelmed by stressors that the "average" family could not fathom.
- I know that we are all movers and shakers from the person donating \$5,000 dollars to the equally important person donating a meal and breaking bread with our families.

The question now arises, "What can we do?"

We can do our part in making sure that Family Promise of Juneau is spoken into every ear possible. In fact, I dare you all to share our story with at least 5 new people in the next month, share our Facebook posts and information on social media. Share your heart for Family Promise of Juneau with others, and watch the ripples go forth.

Blessings.
Katti

You are invited to the 3rd Annual Meeting!

Please join us 5:30 pm-6:30 pm on Thursday, February 20 at Chapel by the Lake to meet board members, learn more about the budget, and help set priorities for the next year.



spent interviewing graduates.

We will provide soup, bread and brownies.

We will also recognize some outstanding volunteers:

Joe Orsi who has served on the board faithfully for three years, donated countless hours as a van driver, and helped coordinate the day center at Chapel by the Lake.

Kim Kiefer volunteers as a congregational coordinator, van driver and cheerleader for Family Promise throughout the community.

David Reed produced one promotional video and is working on another for the halibut dinner. We all were touched by the time

Rapid Rehousing Update: We are thrilled to be stewards of Rapid Rehousing funds through Alaska Mental Health Trust Fund. These funds are for households who are currently homeless or soon to be homeless. Kate Wolfe, our care navigator, is also managing this program. For more information call 500-2740.

Thank you to all our sponsors.

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Lives Touched:

Total bed nights since opening:
over 6500
27 families served
19 graduated
1 in rotation
97 total people

The Richard L. and Diane M. Block Foundation will match all new donations up to \$20,000. Now is a fantastic time to support families.

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
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TMHS National Honor Society

Circle of 500

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Filipino Community, Inc.
Aldersgate Methodist

Check out the New Website www.familypromisejuneau.org:

Thank you to Jen Pegues, our office assistant, for the fantastic new website. The website is a great way to find help, volunteer opportunities, donate, or introduce a friend to the program.

Welcome new board members:

We welcome Shane Carson, Vickie Gartley, and David Morris to the Family Promise Board. Shane has been a faithful volunteer and he works as the state investment officer. He brings a heart for the mission as well as strong financial and administrative skills. Vickie Gartley is a realtor and has been a great champion of Family Promise in the community. David Morris is head lifeguard at DPAC and a trustee at Chapel by the Lake. He is willing to help in whatever is needed.

This is a working board that is deeply invested in the mission. If you are interested in serving on the board or working on a committee, please send an email to stageharvey@gmail.com

Dessert Auction Items Needed!



The halibut dinner will include a live auction of all the desserts this year. We need at least 25 sumptuous desserts. Please submit an entry on our website under halibut dinner.

We will also live auction two Alaska Air tickets to anywhere! There will be many other tour opportunities available for auction.



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**Fifth Annual Halibut
Dinner**
*Halibut Chowder
made by Chef Beau Schooler
Homemade bread bowl
with salad and appetizer bar*

Sunday, March 15

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Thunder Mountain High School

Tickets are \$25 and available from any board member or at the Day Center. Tickets will not be available at the door.