

ForKids

Our Solutions

All children deserve a home and chance for success. We focus on three main service areas designed to bring our families long-lasting stability.

Housing

Last year, ForKids provided housing services to 450 families: 1500 individuals with 920 children.

Our Process: Families are first assessed through our Regional Housing Crisis Hotline and then referred to shelter and housing services through an evolving coordinated assessment process that involves multiple cities. ForKids is scrupulous about meeting the requirements of our government funders (45% of our budget), yet we believe we are ultimately responsible to our families and the community. Our community contributions (46% of our budget) allow us to be courageous in meeting those responsibilities when funds might not otherwise be available.

We offer emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, veterans support services, rental assistance and permanent supportive housing.

More info: <https://www.forkids.org/housing>

Education

Last year, 409 children received assistance from the ForKids Education team last year and 159 students received intensive, customized tutoring from our trained

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staff and volunteers. By being in ForKids' educational programs for at least 90 days, 95% of our students are promoted to the next grade at the end of the school year.

Research shows that children experiencing homelessness are more likely to exhibit educational deficits than other children. So ForKids has built our program to address each student's individual academic needs, providing customized instruction and the necessary tools to close academic achievement gaps, promote to the next grade and graduate from high school.

We provide after-school tutoring, mentoring, advocacy in the schools, summer educational programs, and social emotional learning.

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Critical Services

Last year, ForKids' services provided intensive assistance to a total of 1,568 individuals, including 982 children from 469 families.

To effectively break the cycle of family homelessness and poverty, parents and children need quick access to comprehensive support services, which must follow them to permanent housing. This full spectrum service model simultaneously identifies the compound root causes of each family's homelessness and improves their health, education, and circumstances with supportive services culminating in self-reliant families with permanent housing.

Our services include housing placement, employment services, mental health coordination, and case management.

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