

CURRENT CENSUS

PROGRAM	CURRENT FAMILIES	INDIVIDUALS	YTD BED NIGHTS
SHELTER	6	17	2,009
FRESH START PROGRAM	families in saving phase (1)	N/A	N/A
PREVENTION/DIVERSION (YTD)	43	116	N/A
TOTALS	na	133	2,009

Average length of stay as of 7/12/24: 84 days



This Week (July 7th - 13th) Forest Park Christian Church

Next Week (July 14th - 20th) Prepaid Gift Cards

On Deck (July 21st- 27th) Fellowship Lutheran



Happy Friday amazing volunteers and supporters. I hope everyone had an amazing holiday with your friends and family. Mine was quite literally a blast.

July has been a very busy month for our staff and families inside and outside of our shelter program. As the heat rises so does the need for our services. We receive numerous calls every day from moms and dads desperate to get themselves and their children out of the extreme and dangerous heat.

The need continues to grow as the housing crisis and increased costs continues to unfold. At FPTC, we do our best to serve as many families as we can, however, we are falling short of helping everyone who needs our vital and life changing services. Please continue to keep FPTC and our staff in your thoughts and prayers as we navigate the best way to serve families and children in our community.

We still have hopes, dreams, and aspirations for an opportunity to expand and have additional units and although it has not come to fruition, we still believe it will happen, one day. Until we can expand, we will continue to help the families we can with our apartment shelter program and prevention/diversion program and guide the others the best way possible until we can fully support them.

Apartment Shelter Program Update:

We have a total of six families in the program. They are all doing amazing, have secured employment and are saving for the future. Each and every one of our families are eternally grateful for each and every one of you. They are so appreciative for the meals and the gift cards to purchase food and or provide a special night out for their children. Although you do not see it first hand, YOU are making a difference. It is never just a meal, it is hope and support for a better tomorrow. Thank you, thank you, thank YOU for all you do for the families we serve.

A Future Begins at Home Update:

It was a record day at FPTC on Monday July 8, 2024. One hundred percent (100%) of our available \$5,000 in prevention/diversion funds was distributed in less than six (6) hours. In the first six hours of the application portal going live, we received 33 applications requesting over \$36,000 in support.

In the last six months FPTC has provided \$24,772.55 in financial support to families in our community. We have helped 43 families, kept 80, yes 80 children in their own homes and prevented the trauma of homelessness. We continue to have an amazing success rate for prevention/diversion funding and have kept 99% of every family we have served in their homes.

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"There is a critical need for prevention and diversion services in the Tulsa area. This is a vital strategy to address homelessness and provide support to vulnerable families. By intervening early and providing targeted assistance, we can help families on the brink of homelessness maintain their housing stability and divert them from entering the cycle of homelessness altogether. Thank you Clayton for the opportunity to keep children in their homes." —Tina Massey, ED



Why are prevention/diversion services needed in Tulsa?

What would you do if you were faced with unexpected medical expenses, job loss, or a temporary financial crisis? What would you do if that temporary financial setback put you at risk of having your lights, water, or gas turned off? What if you find yourself a little short on rent and are now facing the grim reality of a potential eviction and homelessness for yourself and your children?



Together, we can make a difference! Our prevention/diversion program is changing lives and preventing the need for shelter. Will you join us and keep families in their homes?

Share our posts on your social media channels and spread the word of this life changing program.

Share the QR code with your friends and family and donate to support children in our community.



Volunteers Needed

Do you love Family Promise of Tulsa County and our mission to end homelessness... one family at a time? Do you want to be more involved? We would love to talk to you about joining our board of directors. We meet for one hour every other month and would appreciate your consideration. If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to Tina Massey at director@familypromisetulsa.org or our board chair, Kurt Gwartney at kgwartney@gmail.com. Thank you for your consideration.

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