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# leadership message

It's been another great year at Inter-Faith! Thanks to your involvement and support, we were able to provide 14,210 nights of shelter to 23 families including 43 children; we also helped 1,750 individuals with access to food through the Inter-Faith Food Cupboard in Roslyn. Our 1,301 volunteers contributed 16,705 hours of their time to make all of this possible.

Our staff and volunteers do a lot at Inter-Faith, but we can't do it all. The needs of our community are too great and too complex. A family that turns to Inter-Faith for assistance likely has some needs that we are not able to address on our own. It takes a whole community, working together with patience, open minds, and a collaborative spirit, to create real, sustainable change.

That's why we believe in partnership at Inter-Faith. And we practice what we preach. Volunteers and partners are at the core of all of our programs. They cook meals. They paint rooms. They offer nurturing and support to their neighbors in need. They do almost anything you can imagine volunteers and partners doing – they're the best! It would be impossible for us to effectively connect with and assist families without regularly reaching out to the community to create opportunities for engagement.

We also recognize that even with many strong partnerships and committed volunteers in place, Inter-Faith is just one organization in a network of many caring groups working hard to make our community better. We happily collaborate with other organizations to make sure our families have the resources they need and to prevent additional families with children from having to experience the trauma of homelessness. And it's not just nonprofit organizations that are getting involved: the solution includes the faith community, landlords, small business owners, government, and anyone who cares about Montgomery County.

Although the needs are great, never doubt that one person can make a difference. You matter. Your actions and contributions can result in positive change. What we're doing together at Inter-Faith is working! We are helping people experience the security of housing stability and significantly improving the quality of life for our families, volunteers, and partners. Thank you for all that you do for Inter-Faith, our families, and our community!

With sincere appreciation,

Marsha Eichelberger

Executive Director

Tom Wynn

Board President



# mission

To provide opportunities for families in our diverse community to achieve self-sufficiency by offering community-based programs designed to bridge homelessness and independence.

resilience

success

stability

education

resources

innovation

partnership

collaboration





# programs

### emergency shelter

23 local congregations of the Interfaith Hospitality Network help shelter families for up to 90 days.

### transitional housing

Families live at Hope Gardens apartments for up to two years and receive comprehensive support services. They work toward identified goals for a successful transition to permanent housing.

### supportive housing

This program bridges the gap from transitional housing to permanent self-sufficiency. Families at Hope Forest work toward paying fair market rent and a case manager provides light oversight to promote their continual progress to independence.

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### aftercare

Families who have moved on to permanent housing receive support and resources to keep them on track.

### food cupboard

The Inter-Faith Food Cupboard in Roslyn is open six days a week, year round, to make sure Montgomery County residents living with low income are nourished.





# comprehensive support

Families in housing programs don't just get a place to live. We support them with tools they need to become self-sufficient.



case management

life skills instruction

budget counseling

"The stability of having three months to get myself back on my feet allowed me to put long-term solutions in place that I would not have had access to."

"You guys have helped me tremendously while I was here and I want to thank you very much for that!"





# impact



14,210 nights of shelter were provided



1,301 individuals provided 16,705 volunteer hours



820 callers were referred to appropriate community resources



74 people (including 43 children) were housed



1,750 individuals received food from our Roslyn Food Cupboard



100% of families at Hope Gardens and Hope Forest improved their financial status



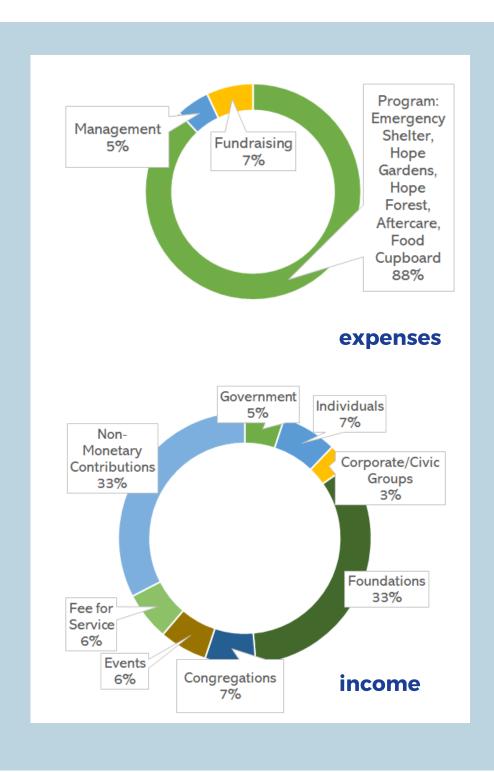
12 of 14 families exited to permanent housing



23 graduate families received aftercare



# financials





# volunteers



"Every year we get more volunteers because people spread the word about how positive an experience it is!"

"You get more from the experience than what you give."

"It's an interfaith initiative...you put your faith into practice...to love your neighbor."

### 1,301 volunteers

From congregations, schools, scout troops, and corporate and community groups.

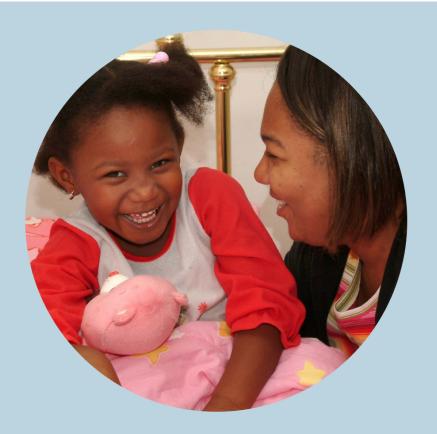
### 16,705 hours

Providing meals, transportation, and overnight assistance, help with cleaning, maintaining our buildings, and sorting donations...and much, much more.





# congregations



### interfaith hospitality network

We partner with 23 congregations to make our emergency shelter, the Interfaith Hospitality Network, possible. Our eleven congregations host families overnight for a month at a time, Volunteers from **buddy** congregations support hosts by helping to provide meals, transportation, and overnight care.

### hosts

Ambler Church of the Brethren Bethlehem Baptist Church Congregation Beth Or First Presbyterian Church of Ambler Grace Baptist Church of Blue Bell **Gwynedd Friends Meeting** Jarrettown United Methodist Church Supplee Presbyterian Church Trinity Episcopal Church, Ambler Trinity Lutheran Church Fort Washington Upper Dublin Lutheran Church

### **buddies**

Ambler Mennonite Church Citylight Church Congregation Kol Ami First Baptist Church of Lansdale New Beginnings Community Church of Ambler Or Hadash

Sanctuary United Methodist Church

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

St. Paul's United Church of Christ

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh Zion Baptist Church



# board of directors

Tom Wynn, President Community Volunteer

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# our supporters

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**BLBB** Charitable

**BNY Mellon Charitable Trusts** 

Breaking the Cycle Foundation

Connelly Foundation

Dolfinger-McMahon Foundation

**Dow Chemical Company Foundation** 

**Drueding Foundation** 

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W. W. Smith Charitable Trust

Wawa Foundation

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Wynnstay Foundation

### corporations

**Ambler Savings Bank** 

Caddick Utilities

Earth Engineering

Essent

FedEx

Penn Community Bank

**R&R Wood Products** 

Streamline Payroll

Therm-Omega-Tech

**Trump Lender Services** 

Univest

WhartonHill Advisors

Whole Foods Market

### government

Community Development Block Grant,

**Montgomery County** 

Federal Emergency Management Agency

(FEMA)

Upper Dublin Township

### community groups

Colony Club of Ambler

Family Promise

Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger

Kiwanis Club of Ambler

Rotary Club of Blue Bell

Woman's Club of Suburban Philadelphia





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