



FRIENDS
of the **FAMILY**

Take Back Tomorrow. Today.

BLACK HAWK COUNTY HOUSING PROJECT

“If somebody offers you an amazing opportunity but you are not sure you can do it, say yes – then learn how to do it later!” – Richard Branson

Over the past year, we have been in discussion with the Otto Schoitz Foundation to think big around the idea of ending homelessness in Black Hawk County. I never saw this opportunity coming and was so excited to think about building programming that would make such a large impact. Many days and nights were spent researching and developing the plan. I talked with leadership internally and several programs across the state and started to finalize the dream. In March, we received word that the project was funded, and it was now time to think about implementation. So here we are ready to launch the Black Hawk County Homeless Project on August 1st.

We will be working to bring local providers together to develop a by-name list of people experiencing homelessness and provide up to 60 units of rental assistance monthly. This will include the use of highly intense case management, developing budget and employment skills, creating opportunities for connection into the community, and conducting street outreach in the county.

We are so excited for what this project can accomplish, and we thank Otto Schoitz Foundation for having faith in us. We learn to be better every single day and in the end, **we have one vision “Everybody has a Home”.**

-Ben Brustkern, Executive Director



SUMMER NEWSLETTER

NEW WAYS TO DONATE!

We are excited to share a few new ways we have made donating even easier!

We created an **Amazon Wish List for Top Needs**. From this list you are able to select top needed items and have them shipped directly to us. You can find the link to our wish list shared from our Facebook page.

From our website, you have the option for your payment to be a one time donation, or you can choose one of the hassle-free options for your payment to reoccur 1) monthly, 2) quarterly, or 3) annually.

We also added two **mobile payment options** for monetary donations:

- **Venmo** @FriendsoftheFamily
- **Cash App** \$FriendsoftheFamily1

OUR TOP NEEDS:

- NEW PANTS/LEGGINGS - L, XL, 2XL
- NEW T-SHIRTS - ALL SIZES
- NEW SPORTS BRAS - ALL SIZES
- NEW SOCKS
- BLANKETS
- PADS & TAMPONS
- DIAPERS - SIZES 3/4/5
- NEW OR USED POTS/PANS/SILVERWARE/DISHES/CUPS

Please connect with office manager, Monique, with donation questions or to schedule drop off at 319-576-2200 or Monique@fofia.org



LOCAL PARTNER FUNDING

Friends of the Family relies on funding from local partners to meet the needs of people affected by violence and homelessness. **Thank you!**

- Commonbond/ Greenhill Project
- Otto Schoitz Foundation- Partnership Grant
- United Way of North Central Iowa
- Bremer County FEMA Phase 38
- Black Hawk County FEMA Phase 38
- Teen Trust
- Waterloo Housing Trust Fund
- United Way of Dubuque Area Tri-States
- American Family Insurance Dreams Foundation
- United Way of Winneshiek County
- Women's Giving Circle
- Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors
- Cedar Valley United Way
- Waverly Shell Rock Area United Way
- Bremer County Community Foundation
- Wells Fargo Foundation
- Bremer County Board of Supervisors
- Continuum of Care Safely Home

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

As we come to the close of our fiscal year, we would like to send a huge THANK YOU to our donors!! It is with your support that we are able to do all that we do!

**LEGACY
CIRCLE**
Annual Gift of
1,000+

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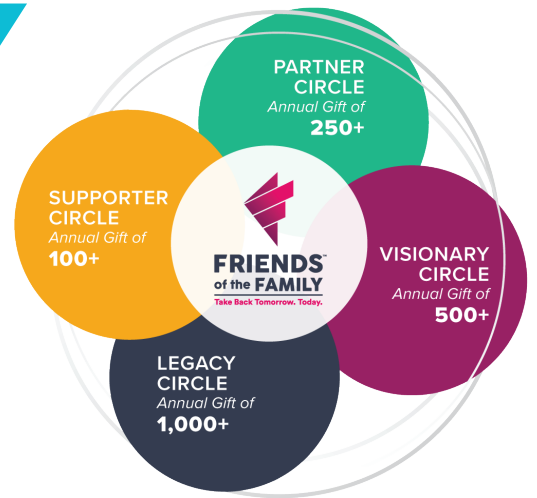
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YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK

Thank you so much to all of you who have helped make the Circle of Friends annual campaign a huge success - thanks to YOU we were able to raise **\$12,660** - help us surpass that goal this year so we are able to raise even more funds to help with direct client services.

Here's the impact that you have made with those dollars:



96% OF HOUSEHOLDS WERE MOVED INTO PERMANENT HOUSING



127 HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS SERVED (101 ADULTS + 26 CHILDREN)



127 PEOPLE WERE SERVED IN HUD PROGRAMS, AVERAGING 21 DAYS FROM HOMELESS TO HOUSED



132 VOLUNTEERS GAVE **9,155** HOURS OF THEIR TIME TO US, DESPITE THE PANDEMIC



235 NEW DONORS DONATED **\$32,440**



290 PEOPLE WERE SERVED IN RAPID REHOUSING PROGRAMS, AVERAGING **30** DAYS FROM HOMELESS TO HOUSED



4,038 CRISIS CALLS WERE RECEIVED WITH **935** SHELTER ASSESSMENTS COMPLETED



6,168 NIGHTS OF SAFETY WERE PROVIDED TO **1,043** INDIVIDUALS



\$468,947.90 DIRECT CLIENT ASSISTANCE DOLLARS SPENT

**VISIONARY
CIRCLE**
Annual Gift of
500+

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VISIONARY CIRCLE (\$500+)

*Julie Lowell & Jay Lees
Heather Solomon
Bethel Lutheran Church
The Accel Foundation*

*Mack + Mav Boutique
UNI Center for Violence
Prevention
Kiwanis Club of Greater Waverly
Lynn & Kathy Olson
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Jeff Sage
Janesville United Methodist
Church
Dana Benning
St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran
Church
Deborah Loers & David Prentice
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Heritage United Methodist Church
Pam Riggs
Dean & Marcia Sonquist
Ben Brustkern*

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Jeffrey & Vee Sage
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Jeffrey Hay
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Kent & Kimberly Brunner
St Mary Church
Frances Mueller
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St John's Lutheran Church
Edgar & Verona Zelle
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**PARTNER
CIRCLE**
Annual Gift of
250+

PARTNER CIRCLE (\$250+)

*Marilyn Johnson
Annemarie Woods
Nicole Fens
St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran
Church
Kim Folkers & Bruce Ecker
Kim Brustkern
ABD Property Management
Hank & Jo Bagelmann
Serenity Therapy LLC
Mangrich Construction & Home
Remodeling
Heritage United Methodist Church*

*Vern Byl
United Methodist Church
ConAgra Foods
Easy Risers Kiwanis Club
Kevin Hill
Jack & Marietta Schemmel
Waverly Lyons Club
St Mary Church
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Network Management & Control
Group
Lynn & Kathy Olson
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Miller)
Julie Bruetzmann
Peace United Church of Christ
David & Sharon Walker
Edward & Patricia Brown
Veridian Credit Union
B&B Builders & Supply*

*Spirit of Life Church
Tricia Whittle
Bergan KDV
Redeemer Lutheran Church
Trinity United Methodist Church
Miranda Canfield
Waverly Shell Rock Community
Schools
Melanie Vance
Richard & Cheryl Jensen
Angie Edgington
Brock Mulder
Mt Hope United Methodist
Church
St Matthew Evangelical Lutheran
St John Lutheran Church
Kevin Huegel
John & Sandy Marsau
Audrey Schoeman
Michael & Ann Bock
Roger Peppel
Nancy Zimmerman
Meyer Pharmacy
First Baptist Church
Skogman Companies*

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**SUPPORTER
CIRCLE**
Annual Gift of
100+

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SUPPORTER CIRCLE (\$100+)

John Dahlby
Keith & Virginia Tomlinson
Thomas Neal
Kim Rowell
Will Bird
Connor Kenney
Priority 1 Automotive
Sherri Clark Crane
Mary Schlicher
Kim Maclin
Liane Nichols
Kaiser-Corson Funeral Homes
Tenenbaum's Jewelry
Duiane & Charlotte Westpfahl
William & Janet Striepe
Elly Folkers
Cyndi & Lyman Campbell
Gerald Schmitz
Helen Melichar
Larry & Lois Trachte
First Security State Bank
Bruce & Diane Holmes
John & Deloris Radke
Mary Ellinger
Robert & Jolene Wyatt
Jerry & Audrey Elsamiller
Erin Hinton
United Methodist Church (New Hampton)
Marsha Koenig
Jamie Fens
George & Mary Warren
Carol Morgan
Tatroe Electric
Micaela Lorenz

Rick & Pat Deike
William Wentz
Kelsey Jorgensen
Doug Drape
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Jayne Hall
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Mercedes Hawkins
Allison Congregational Church
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Joseph & Sandra Dunn
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Women of ELCA
Deborah Baker
Nancy Sereduck
Cecily & Dave Mellenthin
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Kathy Folkerts
Jan Mitchell
Marilyn Pinkley
Stanely & Pamela Schrock
Trinity Lutheran (WELCA)
Sheila Trapp
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Darrel & Christy Colson
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Grace Lutheran Church of Women
Michael & Elizabeth Hogan
Michael & Kathe Sherer
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Donna Andreessen
Gary & Mary Burke
Sandra Hagemann
Maurice & Connie Busch
St. John's Lutheran Church
Kimberly & Otto Maclin
St. John Women of ELCA
Russel & Mary Bingley
Norman Homeyer
Scott & Cindy Miller
Barbara Drews
Nettie Treloar
Jerry Adelmund
Diane Wolff

Gary & Cindy Dean
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Bailey Brandt
ABD Property Management
Thomas & Joan Loew
Pixel Labs
Edward (Jim) Kelly
Linda Biermann
Sue Huber
Facets by Susong
Margaret Phelps
Marvin & Catherine Orth
Applebee's Neighborhood Grill (Waverly)
Iowa Women of Today
Karyn Richardson
Gerald & Susan Vallem
Beverly Boveia
Vicki Bark
Alpha Zeta ADK
Candice Lanning
St. Luke's Episcopal Church



A NIGHT IN...

Learn more at fofia.org.

- Friday, November 12, 2021
- 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
- Prairie Links Golf and Event Center
- 19 Eagle Ridge Drive, Waverly

We are excited to be preparing for our 8th annual A Night In... fundraiser, and thrilled that we will get to see you all in-person this year!! Tune in to our social media for the location announcement in August and ticket sale launch!

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