

## First Quarter 2011 Newsletter



### Our New Vision and Mission Statement



**Vision:** Family Promise of NNCC is a community of faith-based congregations, volunteers and homeless families with children growing in faith, hope, and love.

**Mission:** Family Promise of NNCC helps homeless families with children move toward lasting independence by providing a safe place to eat and sleep, intensive case management, life skills training, support, and encouragement. Each guest and volunteer is important to us, and we are joyful about all of the acts that happen in our midst to restore families to stable housing.

**Goals:** *Long-term* > Double the network! *Short-term* > Deeper case management, client skills training, savings program, rental assistance, better utilize congregations to secure employment/housing, etc.

### Board Member & Staff Update

Board Member, **Vicki Gaines**, recently left the Board to allow more focus on her graduate studies. Thank you for your service, Vicki!

We welcome Interim Executive Director, **Merrie Bailey**, and Program Assistant, **Joann Temple**. Please welcome them next time they visit your church or if you visit the Center!

We have posted the Executive Director position on our blog. Applications can be submitted through April 15th.

### New Congregations - Welcome!

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### Keep Up With Family Promise Online

**Blog** [www.familypromisede.blogspot.com](http://www.familypromisede.blogspot.com)

**Facebook** Family Promise of Northern New Castle County

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### Annual Luncheon and Silent Auction

Thank you for supporting our Annual Luncheon and Silent Auction on February 26th. 130 people attended and we raised \$16,500. Thank you so much for your ongoing and generous support!

### Family Updates

Two of our families graduated this quarter.

One family (mother, father, and two girls) moved into an apartment off of Kirkwood Highway. Thank you for generously responding with furnishings for their new place. We offer a Graduate Program to assist families with needs for six months after they leave us and move into housing they control. We are in frequent contact with this family, continuing to provide support as needed.



Another family (mother and two girls) moved into a transitional living program in Middletown. This is our second family in this program. Thank you, again, for helping to provide necessities for their new place!

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### Supporting Family Promise

- ♦ Financial gifts are always welcome. Thank you!
- ♦ Support Family Promise by volunteering your time. Please contact us if you can help out on occasion by providing rides or childcare, fixing things, or helping clients move out (with your truck).
- ♦ **NEW** We are launching a number of training courses for our clients. Volunteers are on board to teach "Life Skills" classes. Contact us if you'd like to find out more about helping in this area.

