

**Committed
Host Congregations**

- Aldersgate United Methodist Church
- Berea Presbyterian Church
- Ebenezer United Methodist Church
- The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
- Grace Lutheran Church
- Hockessin Baptist Church
- Hockessin United Methodist Church
- Limestone Presbyterian Church
- St. James Mill Creek Episcopal Church
- St. Mark's United Methodist Church
- St. Philip's Lutheran Church
- Westminster Presbyterian Church
- White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church



**Committed
Support Congregations**

- Avondale Presbyterian Church
- Bethel A.M.E. Church
- Impact Family Worship Center, Inc.
- St. John the Beloved Catholic Church
- St. Stephen's Lutheran Church
- Trinity Community Church

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Family Promise[®]
of Northern New Castle
County



***Helping Homeless Children
and Their Families***

"The strength of Family Promise is empowerment. It's all about giving people the skills and encouragement to take responsibility for their lives."

About Family Promise® of Northern New Castle County

Family Promise of Northern New Castle County helps homeless families with children move toward lasting independence by providing a nurturing, supportive environment in which they can begin the process of rebuilding their lives with step by step action planning.

As a community of faith-based congregations and volunteers we assist our families to develop the necessary tools to return to independence. We provide case management, life skills, and financial literacy training combined with support and encouragement. The congregations offer a secure environment to eat and sleep. Family Promise of NNCC is an affiliate of the national Family Promise organization, which has 163 affiliates in 41 states.

There are five basic components to the Family Promise® program:

1. CONGREGATIONS

Host congregations provide lodging, meals and welcoming care for the families rotating a week at a time. Support congregations provide volunteers to assist host congregations.



2. TRANSPORTATION

Our 15 passenger van allows us to transport the families to the various host congregations on a daily basis. Our volunteer drivers are sensitive to the program needs and always ensure that no one is left behind.

3. FAMILY PROMISE® CENTER

The Day Center houses our offices for permanent staff as well as facilities for our families.

- Families receive assistance with their employment search activities, identification of sustainable housing, as well as assistance with medical care, or counseling, etc.
- Facilities are also provided for washing clothes, showering, and school buses are arranged to pick up the children from our center.

4. VOLUNTEERS

Committed volunteers interact with families, cook and serve meals, play and/or tutor children, and as much as possible provide a home-like atmosphere.

5. SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES

Local social service agencies refer families to the network. The agencies are also available to assist with community resources to obtain financial help.

How Can You Help?

Be a Host Congregation

Host congregations provide a place to sleep and meals which include breakfast, lunches to-go plus evening meals. Host congregations convert their classrooms into bedrooms for up to 14 people or 3-4 families on a rotating basis about 4 times a year. They are very helpful providing goods and services when our families graduate. They become an "extended family" for our families.

Be a Support Congregation

Support congregations assist with meals and provide volunteers and hold special fund raising events to be a support to our programs.

Support Financially

Funds are needed to staff and operate our Family Promise® Center which serves as the hub of our network. 98.5% of the contributions stay in Delaware and go directly to support our local network.

Volunteer

We have ongoing needs for volunteers to assist our program in many areas. If you have a passion to make a difference in the lives of Delawareans who are homeless and want to give back to the community, please contact us. Your gifts will be put to good use and you will not be disappointed.