

Host Congregations

Christ United Methodist Church

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Englewood United Methodist Church

First Baptist Church

Grace United Methodist Church

Knights of Columbus Venice

(Council #7052)

Trinity Presbyterian Church

South Venice Baptist Church

Unitarian Universalist

Unity Church of Venice

Venice Church of the Nazarene

Venice Presbyterian Church

Venice United Church of Christ

Support Congregations

Christ Lutheran

Epiphany Cathedral

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

New Abundant Life Worship Center

Northland Fellowship

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

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MISSION STATEMENT

Family Promise of South Sarasota County is a faith based non-profit organization which enables the community to work together to address the needs of homeless children and families by providing temporary shelter, meals and comprehensive services to help them achieve lasting self-sufficiency.



What is Family Promise?

Family Promise serves homeless families with compassion and dignity. The organization pools existing community resources and enriches the volunteers and local host congregations who participate.

Family Promise of South Sarasota County is part of a nationwide network of over 202 affiliates that touch the lives of over 53,000 homeless family members each year. This is accomplished through the use of 160,000 volunteers in 6,000 congregations. Our goal is to help families help themselves by giving them the tools and support they need, to work through the crisis in their lives. Family Promises' model is nationally recognized for its effectiveness and success.

How Does Family Promise Work?

Professional Staff

Our professional staff creates opportunities for families to develop life skills for moving from homelessness to self-sufficiency.

Social Service Agencies

Local agencies screen and refer families to Family Promise and provide resources for families in the program.

Host Congregations

At least 13 congregations in the community provide overnight lodging, meals, and opportunities for fellowship.

Family Promise Day Center

The Center serves as the hub for families during their time in the Family Promise Program, as well as provides a van to transport families.

Volunteers

Cheerful and supportive volunteers at the host congregations set up sleeping quarters, prepare meals, fellowship and interact with parents and children at the end of the day.

Advantages of Family Promise

Homelike Accommodations

Host congregations provide overnight lodging and meals in a comfortable, safe, and private setting.

Short Lead Time

The use of existing facilities (houses of worship) eliminates time-consuming and expensive activities, such as buying and/or renovating buildings.

Cost Efficiency

An Affiliate maintains low expenses by relying primarily on existing community resources and volunteer support. An affiliate can provide services at less than one-third of the cost of a traditional shelter.

Social Concern Outreach

Congregations benefit by adding this tangible form of outreach. Volunteers are inspired by their congregation's commitment to helping those in need in their own communities.

Ecumenical Efforts

Allows volunteers from many different congregations to work together to solve a problem in the community.