



Family Promise®
of Greater Houston County

Building communities, strengthening lives.



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This newsletter is
created monthly by
FPGHC volunteers.
Please share it with
your friends.



FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BANQUET
WILL BE HELD AT CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH
ON FRIDAY, APRIL 29, STARTING AT 6:00 PM

CONTACT JANET FOSKEY BY APRIL 24TH TO RSV^P
478-320-3500 OR janet.elaine@cox.net

GOOD FELLOWSHIP
& GOOD FOOD;
A GIFT TO
OUR FAITHFUL
VOLUNTEERS

BOUQUET OF
BLESSINGS

The time is quickly approaching for the Annual Family Promise of Greater Houston County Volunteer Appreciation Banquet. The board plans this event each year to honor everyone that has been a part of supporting and serving FPGHC over the past year. You will have the opportunity to meet a national representative and many other fellow volunteers. A wonderful meal and program is planned; it will be a "Bouquet of Blessings" for each one in attendance!

**However, we must have your reservation ASAP!
If you have not already done so, contact
Janet Foskey no later than April 24th;
478-320-3500 or janet.elaine@cox.net.**

We will see you there!

Director's Corner

By: Nicole Fogle

National Conference

I had the wonderful opportunity of attending Family Promises' 14th National Conference this month in Long Beach, California, and what an experience! It is amazing to see how Family Promise is growing throughout Georgia and nationally. The conference was inspirational, educational, and offered the chance to collaborate and fellowship with colleagues from more than 40 states. I had the opportunity to experience great presenters such as Karen Olsen (Founder and President Emeritus of Family Promise), Congresswoman Maxine Waters (from California), and Dr. John Francis (author, environmentalist, and inspirational speaker). I attended great round tables and workshops and look forward to sharing the information to strengthen our program in Houston County. It wasn't all work and no play. I had lots of laughs with the FP Family.



Nicole with the President of Family Promise, Claas Ehlers



Dr. John Francis speaking at the National Conference.



The Mikes

Big Mike and Little Mike

Family Promise of Greater Houston County has been blessed with the opportunity to serve our first single father. Big Mike and Little Mike have been a pleasure to work with. Thank you to all the volunteers who have been involved and especially our male volunteers that have been active during the host weeks.

Connections

We welcome all volunteers and understand that not everyone interested in Family Promise is connected to a church in our network. Anyone interested in volunteering with Family Promise during a host week please contact Nicole Fogle for more information about serving: nrosser.familypromisega@gmail.com.

Please Note: This volunteer opportunity would entail working with a particular church during the host week which can include, but is not limited to, sleeping overnight, providing meals, or providing supplies. FPGHC is required to complete a criminal background history on anyone interested in serving.

Great News about Previous Guests

Congratulations to the Smith family and the Sapp family! During the month of March both of these families completed their responsibilities with FPGHC and moved into permanent housing. We are so proud of them!! Thank you to each volunteer and host church that was a part of helping them obtain this goal. Together we are "Ending Homelessness One Family at a Time"!!



The Spring BELK CHARITY DAY SALE will be Saturday, April 30th from 6AM to 10AM

Contact Vivian Stilley at vivian.stilley@cox.net or 333-3357 if you have not yet obtained your ticket to support Family Promise of Greater Houston Co.



Let's work to make this our best charity day ever!



Have you neglected to make time for our training classes? If so, now is the time to join us. We want you to begin to experience the blessing of serving our guest families.

Our next Volunteer Training class will be held Monday, May 16th, 7 PM at Trinity United Methodist Church, Room 106.

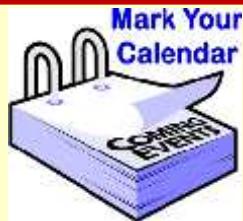
Call 328-8181 to reserve a spot!



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I paid less than a dollar per gallon for gas!

Here's how: Kroger provides fuel points when you join their rewards program. Periodically they offer four times (4x) the amount of points on the purchase of gift cards. They have a promotion like that running right now. So when you buy one of their wide variety of gift cards you get four times (4x) the points. And to make it even sweeter, when you register your favorite charity (Family Promise of Greater Houston County) with Kroger Community Rewards, then Kroger also provides money back to the charity as a community partner. That's a WIN -WIN! You win and your charity wins. Register today at Kroger Community Rewards :

<https://www.kroger.com/topic/community-rewards-5>



April 29: Volunteer Appreciation Banquet
April 30: Belk Charity Day Sale
May 13: Casino Night Fundraiser
May 16: Volunteer Training Class

Looking for an evening of fun? Then make plans to attend this upcoming fund raiser event sponsored by the Central Georgia Board of Realtors.

Call the numbers listed for more information and to purchase your ticket. All proceeds from this event will support Family Promise.

Central Georgia Board of Realtors proudly presents:



VFW @ 1101 Corder Road, WR, GA 31088

Tickets: \$75

Includes: Entry For 2 People, 2 Drink Tickets, Food, \$500 Casino Money Per Person, DJ, Photo Booth, Great Prizes, Silent Auction & Cash Bar!

- Additional Buy-in Casino Money will be available for purchase.
 - Real Blackjack, Poker, Roulette & Craps Tables
 - Professional Dealers & Slot Machines
- Open to the Public. *Tickets sold in advance, only 150 tickets to be sold.*

All proceeds from this event will be given to Family Promise of Houston County.

Call (478)922-0099 or (478)225-7252 for ticket information.

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families in transition and part of a national
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Promise Network Program provides
shelter, meals and support services to
families without homes through a network
of local congregations.

**Contributions are tax deductible
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Westminster Presbyterian Church
1st Christian Church-Disciples of Christ-Grace Group

Could you provide any of these needed items?

Air Fresheners
Cleaning Supplies
Walmart Gift Cards



Thank you!

Keep in touch; We love hearing from you!



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