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This newsletter is created monthly by FPGHC volunteers.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING IT WITH OTHERS



Director's Corner

Nicole Rosser, MPA
Executive Director

As many of you know, we had 10 children in the program over the Christmas holiday. It was a very busy time for parents, children, and volunteers. The support and donations for current guests and some graduate families was overwhelming. The rooms were full of roller skates, tablets, board games, clothes, and many other goodies. Santa definitely stopped by Family Promise. While we try to create a sense of normalcy for our families, this is especially exciting during the holidays.

Homelessness is temporary, and when our families, adults and children, think back on their stay with Family Promise we always hope there will be fond memories and looked upon as a time of family bonding and fellowship.

This leads to my opportunity to share a message I received from a former guest this week. She shared a Facebook post (see photos) from her stay at Family Promise over a year ago that popped up on her memories; "What a great day it was!"

A families' stay at our program is so much more than needing shelter!

Thank you to all who support our program and families throughout the year, but a heartwarming Thank you to those that make the holidays so special for our children.

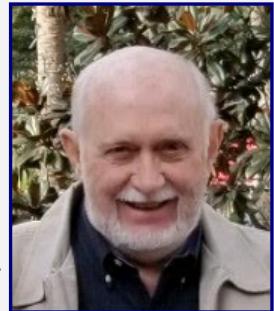




We are pleased to share with you that Ronnie Shivers has accepted the position of President of the Board of Directors, FPGHC for 2019. He begins his responsibilities by sharing with you:

Ronnie's Ramblings

HAPPY NEW YEAR to all! It is great to be back and fully engaged in the daily workings of Family Promise. I look forward to all the exciting things in store for us in 2019. I want to thank all the wonderful volunteers that take care of our families and many of the daily activities that are so important to the network. I want to especially thank Dave Razo for leading the charge for the last few years. Dave has worked tirelessly to chair our board and personally take care of many details required to keep the network going. He has certainly been a blessing to FPGHC. I will be getting around soon to meet the new volunteers and get reacquainted with those that have been with us for a while. Again, I thank everyone for all you do to end homelessness in Houston County.



The **Centerville United Methodist Men's Group** hosted Nicole Rosser, FPGHC Executive Director, during their January meeting. Centerville United Methodist is an active host church for Family Promise but they asked Nicole to come by to give them an overview of our program and give them the opportunity to present a check. Their donation is from the proceeds of a fundraiser held by their group.



Pictured L-R are: Kevin Clotfelter, J.O. Miller (church coordinator), Nicole Rosser, Leon Hudson, and Pastor Anthony McPhail



Was one of your New Years Resolutions to become involved in your community? Then we have the perfect way for you to begin acting upon that desire.

The first Volunteer Training Class of 2019 will be held
Monday, January 28th

6pm, in the Conference room
Day Center, 2762 Watson Blvd.

Please call the office, 328-8181, to let Nicole know you plan to attend.



Christmas Tree at the Day Center

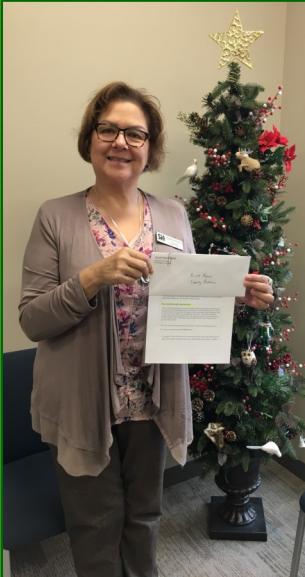
Group from The Assembly Congregation with the many gifts they provided for a family this holiday season.



Tammy Norton, of "Party With A Purpose", came by the Day Center to leave gifts.



Pastor Chad from The Assembly Delivers gifts to the Day Center



Representative from the Sacred Heart Congregation gives a donation to support our guest families



Nicole, Diane, and Twyla organize gifts by family and recipient, then wrap and prepare them for delivery before Christmas Day





One of the many children that had a Merry Christmas because of the generous support of donors.

From Nicole: Coordinators hold a special place in my heart. I love the passion they bring to serve our families. Many of our coordinators wear different hats at Family Promise outside of the role of preparing for a host week; van drivers, fund raisers, you name it...they have pretty much done it. It is no wonder that I look forward to our annual Christmas parties for Coordinators. We had a wonderful time of laughter and fellowship.



Family Promise



Family Promise will be a part of Peaches to the Beaches, Georgia's biggest & longest yard sale, March 8 & 9, 2019. The booth will be located at Grillmaster BBQ, 1509 8am Nunn Blvd. in Perry. The hours are 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. We are seeking donations of items for the sale. (No clothes, please.)

Family Promise has a storage unit at Little House Self Storage on Moody Road in Warner Robins. If you have donations, someone can meet you at the storage unit or we will provide pick up of your items.

Call Diane South at 860-908-6687 or
Ronnie Shivers at 478-396-1917

Family Promise will provide a tax deduction form for the items donated.

Ending Homelessness One Family At A Time



As you just read on page 5, Family Promise will be participating in "Peaches to the Beaches" again this year. We invite you to print page 5 to share with your friends about this event. We need your 'treasures' to have for our sales tables, we need volunteers to price merchandise, help pack and move items from the warehouse to the yard sale site, and to work on the two days of the sale. Please contact Diane or Ronnie and let them know how you can be a part of this important fund raiser event.



Each month we list a few "Wish List" items. These are supplies needed for our guests to use at the Day Center. Gift cards are used to purchase needed supplies or gasoline for the van.

Please call the office to be sure someone is there to receive your donations.

Here is our list for January:

Cold Medicine for Adults & Children
 Laundry Detergent
 Trash Bags, 13 gallon
 Walmart Gift Cards



Mark Your Calendar!

Our signature fundraiser event
"Car City, Experiencing a Night of Homelessness"
 will be held April 26-27, 2019
 In the CGTC Parking Lot
 Details will be coming soon



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(Note: The board is being established for 2019. The new members will be confirmed soon and will be added to this list then.)

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