



PLYMOUTH
congregational UCC

family housing network
OF FORT COLLINS



Faith Family Hospitality is Our Share-the-Plate partner for February, 2024

Fort Collins provides a variety of homeless services, many of which our church supports. However, Family Housing Network and its **Faith Family Hospitality/Overnight Program** is the only program providing FAMILIES with shelter, while also providing intense case management, and individualized help with referrals and resources, all with a focus on assisting families to regain stable housing. Your support extends far beyond housing programs; it plays a pivotal role in our mission to end family homelessness in our community.



Faith Family Hospitality (FFH) is the foundational program of Family Housing Network, and not only affords families safety and security at rotating faith sites, but also unifies the greater Fort Collins Community by serving families experiencing homelessness across lines of religion, social status, gender and race. FFH is a short-term shelter program for families needing up to 90 days of assistance.

In addition, the Family Housing Network (FHN) has added a Day Center for families to have a place during the day to find a place to rest, work on job applications, meet with case managers and resource navigators, shower, make lunch, or do laundry. FHN has also opened Sherwood House, a place for seven families encountering more barriers to permanent housing, and requiring more time. Usually, these families stay 6-9 months. Additionally, FHN has a Rapid Rehousing Team, who works with families who may need a lighter touch to get into permanent housing. These case managers also help all our families who are placed

in permanent housing to stay in housing.

Plymouth Congregational UCC partners with The Heart of the Rockies Christian Church (DOC) to host Faith Family Hospitality at Plymouth. Four weeks per year, 45-50 volunteers from both congregations come together to host up to four families at Plymouth for a week. Evening hosts welcome families and ensure the night runs smoothly. Meal preparers bring and serve a meal. Overnight hosts arrive at 8 pm and stay until 7 am, when families leave for the day to get kids to school, go to the Day Center, or go to work. There are cleaning volunteers, laundry volunteers, set-up volunteers, tear-down volunteers, grocery shoppers, and even a trailer transporter, that carries the guest mattresses to the next host congregation. Our church has consistently provided a warm, safe place for families in crisis, marked by generosity, hospitality and fun fellowship.



FFH is Plymouth's Share-the-Plate Partner for February, 2024. Half of our loose offering for the month will be shared with FFH and the supporting services provided by Family Housing Network. These programs are dedicated to providing support and assistance to families in need of housing in Fort Collins. They rely on partners like Plymouth to continue to provide these services. **So, give generously to make a real difference in the lives of families experiencing homelessness in our community. Together, we can help END family homelessness in Fort Collins.**

Visit plymouthucc.org/share to donate.