

2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Family
Promise
of Spokane



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Hello friends,

It's been a big year at Family Promise of Spokane and we're proud to share our achievements in this Annual Report.

Thanks to you, we were able to serve over 1,000 families in 2025, 1180 to be exact. That has been a long term goal of ours, and we surpassed it last year. This is just a glimpse of what we have to share in this Annual Report. Inside, you'll find data across our work from Prevention to Rehousing, along with an incredible story about one of our guests, a mother who made difficult choices and showed real strength for the sake of her children. I think you'll find it meaningful.

Before we dive in, I want to share a brief note. You may be hearing more about Family Promise of Spokane in the near future. There's a growing national conversation about homelessness, and as one of the nation's leading organizations at ending homelessness, we intend to be part of it.

The children we serve have no voice in their homeless situation and therefore no say in the policies and decisions that are made that impact their lives. I will draw on my experience as a faith leader, father, and community service provider to be a voice on their behalf. If you want to stay up to date with our upcoming thought leadership content, check out our LinkedIn page!

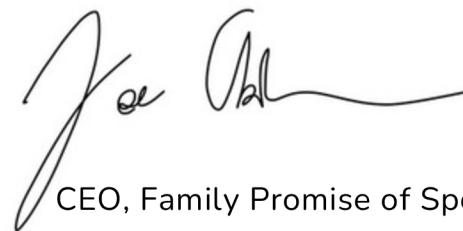
For the children and families we serve, and for most people, the rapid pace of changes we have experienced at a federal level has left many systems and people in a state of whiplash and confusion. Nonprofits and families alike are scrambling to stay afloat in these waves of constant change. Family Promise of Spokane was no exception.

In the midst of this uncertainty and increasing need, our team has been committed to creating a place of order, peace and focus children and families can rely on. This has served our community well and has allowed us to help more families get housing and keep housing than ever before. What you're about to read now is proof of that.

My hope is you'll walk away from this Annual Report with a clear picture of the strides that together we made to end family homelessness in Spokane County 2025, and with a renewed determination to continue doing so alongside us.

Best,

Joe Ader



CEO, Family Promise of Spokane



Greetings!

As the chair of the Facilities Committee and Board of Directors President, I am proud of the progress made to serve those families in a compassionate and loving manner. I support the work done to end the cycle of homelessness, children who experience unstable housing growing up are at much higher risk of housing instability as adults. Children should be able to experience a safe and secure place, a place to call home. But there remains more to do to reach the goal of eliminating the need for family emergency shelters.

The facility saw several upgrades completed, all designed to reduce the stress and anxiety while creating a more dignified, supportive environment. A new playground was completed that provides a secure and safe place for children to play. A walk-in storage cooler was completed which allows for families to store fresh food for meals. HVAC upgrades and energy efficient windows, which makes for a more comfortable living space and for Family Promise staff to work. Even the parking lot received needed upgrades. Above the shelter, eight renovated apartments now provide transitional housing.

The Family Promise staff continues to be recognized as leaders locally and nationally. Their dedication, compassion, and expertise drive our mission forward every day as they work to end the cycle of family homelessness.

We are deeply grateful for the individuals, congregations, and organizations whose time, resources, and generosity make this work possible.

Family Promise of Spokane welcomes you to come and see this work firsthand. They are eager to show you the facility, share the impact of these programs, and help you discover ways to get involved. With funding through Federal, State and County sources being less secure and more restrictive, that is why the support of our local community remains essential. I encourage you to visit, check it out for yourself and if you feel led to help families avoid and escape homelessness, please consider supporting Family Promise.



Jack Harper
President, Board of Directors

Updated Walk-in



New Play Structure

Updated Apartments



Playscape in honor
of Wulan Mar



New windows from Avista



IN 2025, WE SERVED:

4,160 people

including

2,354 children

from

1,180 families



96%

of families who stay
engaged in our
programs **remain
stably housed**



100%

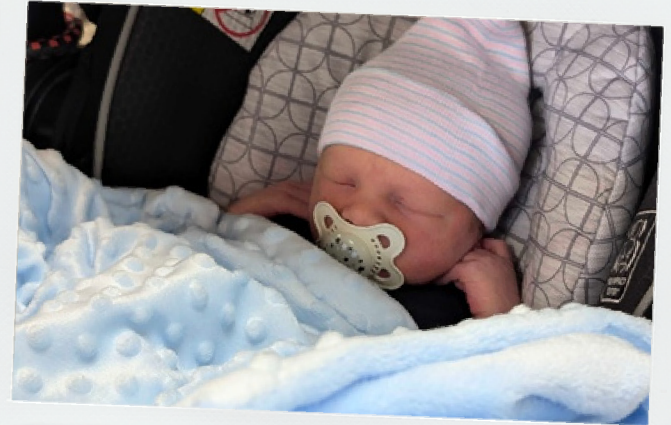
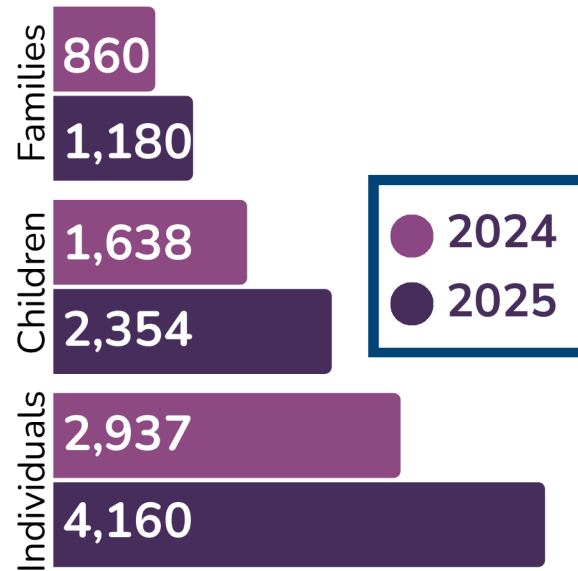
of families who
stay engaged in
our programs
will get housed



AND WE CONTINUE TO GROW

37% growth
we served 300+
more families

44% growth
we served 700+
more children



25 babies were born in our program!

We are the **#1** Housing agency in
Spokane County and a leader for
homelessness agencies **nationally**.



“Your kids will follow the example you set.”

A mantra first born from shame took on a new meaning for Mo, a Spokane mother of 6 children. She’s been fighting homelessness for nearly as long as she’s been alive. Mo stayed at her first homeless shelter when she was 8 years old, and went on to spend much of her life going in and out of them. If anyone knows what the cycle of homelessness is like, it’s her.

Mo’s mother passed away when she turned 21. She identifies this tragedy as the inciting incident which led her to alcoholism and dealing drugs. Over the course of the next decade, life moved fast.

“I came back to start a new life– or so I thought. I was still doing the bad things that I’m not proud of, very much still drinking. Drinking was really, really hard.

I didn’t know what was right, what was wrong. I never had a father, so I’d lost both of my potential role models. [But] my grandma was still living in Spokane, [so] when I came back, I always had a place to come to.

But then [my grandma] got involved in drugs and went down the wrong road with that. After being a survivor in recovery for over 25 years from alcohol, she ended up addicted to heroin. I lost her when I was 38.”



With the passing of her grandmother, Mo was left without any kind of support system. One cold night sleeping in her car in zero degree weather, Mo decided to take the first step towards the rest of her life. She called Family Promise of Spokane.

“We’re women. We’re resilient. We’re supposed to be able to get back up and keep on flapping our wings. There’s just no looking back... [so] I refused to lose.”

After some time at Family Promise, Mo’s relationship with her partner began to fray as she realized their future goals no longer aligned. Mo wanted to get clean, and get her kids housed no matter the cost, but her partner couldn’t move past his drug use. So, they split.



I said, 'I'm done, I don't want to live like this anymore.' I was trying to find better ways for me and my children. Honestly, I just got on my knees and started praying, and gave it to God."

Thanks to help from Family Promise of Spokane and her own enduring will, Mo achieved huge steps to change her life.

"I've honestly never met such caring, wonderful, and reliable people [as I did at Family Promise of Spokane].

They inspired me, kept me eager, and encouraged me all the time.

If it wasn't for them, and God, and my kids– I don't even know. Because I didn't do it alone, you know?"

This past February marks Mo's first year of sobriety. Mo, now stably housed, also now cares for her children under the same roof, and works at the first job she's kept in over a decade.

"I want to move forward and see my life progress. I want to have my own house, my own car. I want to be able to take my children to eat if I want to. I want to provide for my children the way that I'm supposed to."

Mo broke free from the cycle of homelessness and freed her children in the process, but she isn't content to stop there. She sees herself being a volunteer, or even owning her own shelter one day. It's her way to give back to the Spokane community which she feels has given so much to her.

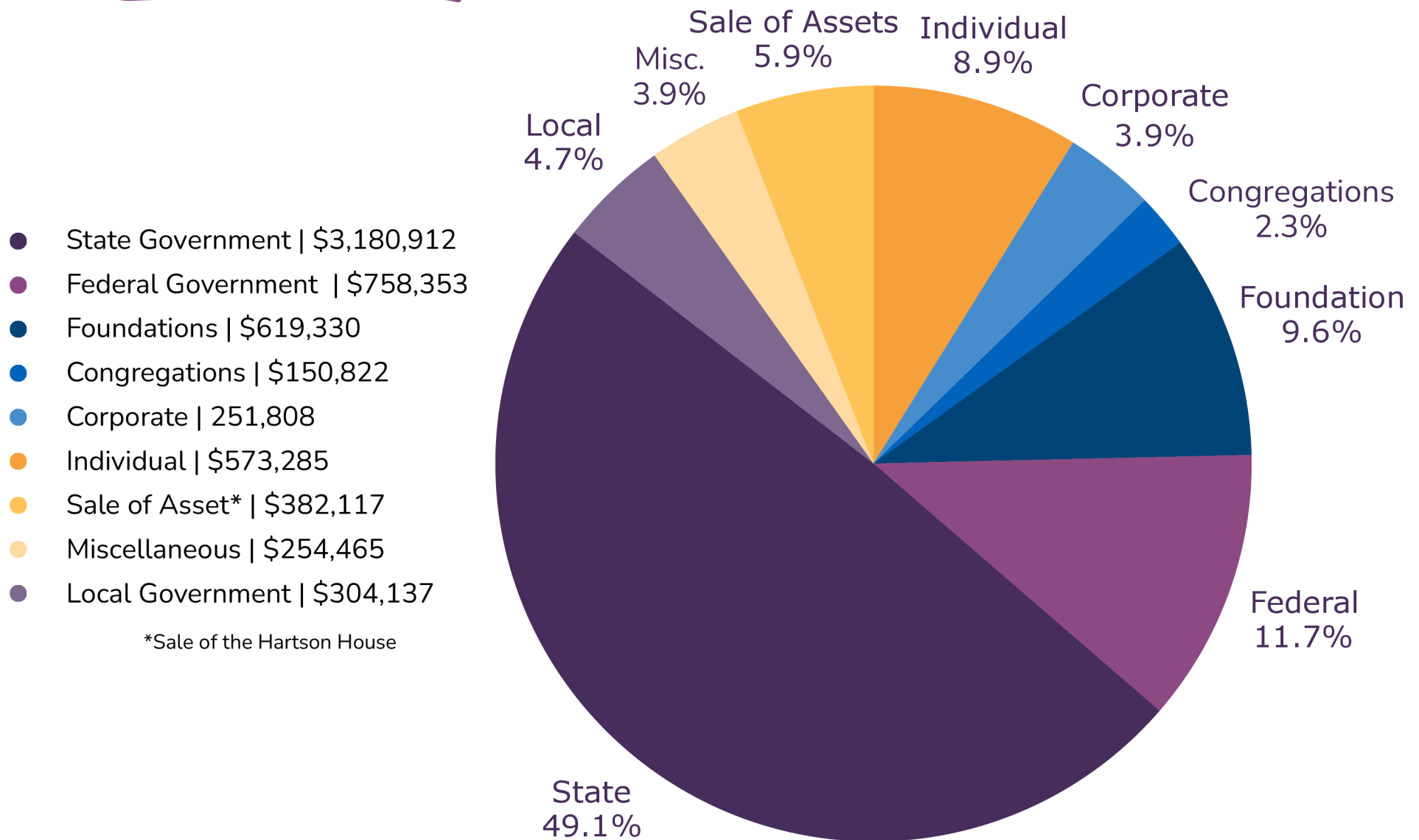
"Your kids will follow the example you set."

Mo sees this mantra in a whole new light now. Rather than creating shame, it's given her hope. Mo realizes now that her experience of facing huge challenges and overcoming them has equipped her children to break the cycle of homelessness– because she proved it is possible in the first place.

"One thing I can say is that I'm so very thankful for my kids. Despite the life I've led, the struggles and suffering I've put them through, I have some great kids. I really, really do."



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Dutch Bros	Living Water	Thrivent
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And many more community members who are a vital part of helping end the cycle of homelessness.



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