



The map to a bright future starts with a place to call home. We can help families in your school district find the way.

Housing for Success® housing navigators help people identify and overcome their barriers. A housing navigator provides resources and partners with families to take steps toward safe and stable housing.

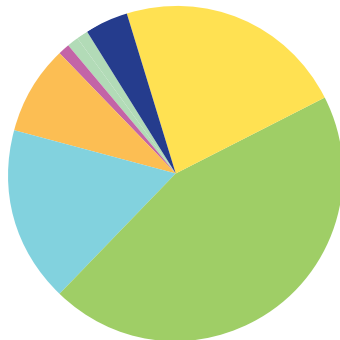
This program is made possible through Local Homeless Prevention Aid (LHPA) funding through Dakota County.

Total numbers served in Dakota County

294 Individuals **178** Children **80** Families

Who We Serve: Race/Ethnicity Demographics

- African: 4%
- Black/African American: 21%
- Hispanic/Latino: 42%
- White Non-Latino/Caucasian: 16%
- Multi-Racial: 8%
- American Indian/Alaskan Native: 1%
- Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander: 1%
- Unknown: 1%



REFERRAL COMPLETIONS

Housing navigators refer families to external programs and resources. Of the referrals made by our staff, the percentages below are a testament to the trusting relationships our staff foster with families and the follow-up they do with them.

Legal Assistance	<div style="width: 100%;"><div style="width: 100%;"></div></div>	100%
Financial	<div style="width: 97%;"><div style="width: 97%;"></div></div>	97%
Housing	<div style="width: 61%;"><div style="width: 61%;"></div></div>	61%
Healthcare	<div style="width: 100%;"><div style="width: 100%;"></div></div>	100%

2023-2024 IMPACT REPORT

YEAR ONE OUTCOMES:

\$123,875

in financial assistance distributed to overcome barriers to secure housing



30 FAMILIES STABLY-HOUSED, INCLUDING **39 ADULTS** AND **82 CHILDREN**

PARTICIPANT GOAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Employment	<div style="width: 100%;"><div style="width: 100%;"></div></div>	100%
Health	<div style="width: 75%;"><div style="width: 75%;"></div></div>	75%
Housing	<div style="width: 76%;"><div style="width: 76%;"></div></div>	76%
Financial Stability	<div style="width: 63%;"><div style="width: 63%;"></div></div>	63%

HOLISTIC SUPPORT SERVICES

Housing Search <i>Helping qualified families find affordable housing options</i>	299 times for 52 clients
Application Assistance <i>Rental/energy assistance, medical assistance, etc.</i>	112 times for 43 clients
Resource Navigation <i>Sharing requirements/procedures, helping clients find ways to reduce barriers</i>	461 times for 67 clients
Tangibles <i>School supplies, winter gear, personal care items, household goods, etc.</i>	315 items for 36 clients
Sexual or Domestic Violence Intervention & Emotional Support <i>Connecting families to 360 Communities violence prevention services: shelter, support group, advocacy, etc.</i>	21 times for 13 clients



Housing for Success[®] is a partnership between Dakota County Schools and 360 Communities. Families are referred through their school district and assessed for eligibility for the program.



OUR MISSION

360 Communities[®] delivers **safety and stability** that improves lives.

In year one of the program (2023-24), our housing navigators:

- Developed and implemented an efficient referral process to identify and support families needing housing services
- Built and sustained relationships with McKinney-Vento liaisons and support staff in schools
- Bolstered expertise in supporting families by identifying and removing barriers to housing
- Distributed financial assistance for rent, deposits, application fees, vital documents, and additional rental aid
- Supported **30** families in obtaining stable housing, including **82** children

Stories from our Housing for Success[®] housing navigators:

Resources and Trust

“The family needed affordable housing and daycare. First, we helped the mother secure a childcare scholarship and establish a consistent work schedule. Then, we completed the apartment application together. Housing for Success[®] was able to cover the application fee. She was approved for the apartment, and the program also covered the cost of a double deposit and the first month’s rent. I delivered the check to the property manager, and the family moved in that day! I stayed in contact with the mother and she told me:

“ I love it when you call to check up on me. **Thank you for everything you do for me and my kids.** ”

Goal Setting and Achievement

“We helped a family secure stable housing, and today, the mother is working as an assistant manager for a rental management company. They are housed in a beautiful apartment and have an amazing relationship with their landlord. Her children are healthy and doing well at school, and still, she finds the time to be a caretaker for her grandmother. When we first started, our goals were to find housing for her family, a stable job for herself, and childcare for her daughter. Through hard work, persistence, and a bit of luck, all of her goals were accomplished.”

Advocacy and Collaboration

*“Collaborating with other nonprofits, we resolved disputes and paid all housing debts. We are moving forward with applying for apartments again. We still have a long road ahead, but **the pathway toward stable housing is clear now.**”*



Support for New Americans

“The family I am supporting is new to America. A work permit is essential in the housing search process as most landlords require an ID from the U.S. government. I am helping both parents obtain their work permits. I expect to continue working with them to provide holistic support, and I am excited to see this family achieve their goals and dreams of establishing long-term housing.”

