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Dear Friends-

2022 was a year of change and challenge, of commitment and continuity, here at Found House IHN. This sounds paradoxical, but as we all often find in our daily lives, two different things can both be true at the same time.

We changed our name, which is a pretty big deal! After delivering services and building community as Interfaith Hospitality Network of Greater Cincinnati for thirty-one years, in April 2022, we officially became Found House Interfaith Housing Network. This change reflected our move away from affiliation with Family Promise, as well as our on-going expansion of housing programs, including Melrose Place, which continued construction through the end of 2022.

This is, however, where amidst a huge change, housing as a service and as a part of our new moniker, represents continuity. Since our beginnings in 1991, sheltering a handful of families with a handful of faith partners, we have always held the idea of not needing such a service, as our central vision. Everyone came to the table to offer shelter and hospitality as a short-term necessity until affordable housing could be available for all families in our community. Unfortunately, shelter is still very much needed, but as an organization and a community of action, we have helped to deliver affordable housing to hundreds of families, fulfilling our mission each time a lease is signed and a mom or dad gets those front door keys.

Emergency shelter provision continued to be a challenge throughout 2022 and remains so as I write this message in August 2023. After concluding hotel operations post-pandemic, we found there were not enough congregations to operate at normal capacity. We planned to utilize Grace Place to fill the gaps, but then found that property was no longer an option. We tried some other models to operate at capacity, but they also did not work.

In September 2022, we re-launched shelter using our traditional volunteer hosting model with the congregations that were ready, but at 50% reduced capacity compared to prepandemic (and 70% reduced capacity compared to hotel shelter during the pandemic). This reduction has hit the safety net system for families in Hamilton County very hard as at the same time, another shelter in the community quit operating altogether, and still others have reduced capacity due to pandemic impacts.

Talk about challenge! Even though not ideal, however, the re-launched shelter is an example of commitment in action. Despite numerous false starts and plans blocked due to circumstances Found House IHN could not control, staff and board members stayed committed to making the shelter work, however we could, putting in overtime and leaving no option unexplored. Volunteers at host and support congregations that have led the re-launch have shown this same undaunted commitment despite continued pandemic recovery in their own houses of worship and the on-going challenges of constantly changing logistics and family needs. Talk about commitment!

Change, challenge, commitment, and continuity are a part of Found House IHN's story every year, 2022 just made those four Cs more vivid, more apparent, more keenly felt. What has also been a part of our story each year is that our commitment to being there for the families that need us has never waned, but has only strengthened with every new challenge met.

Thank you for being a part of this inspiring story whether as a volunteer or employee, a donor, or an advocate. We appreciate all of you.

Sincerely,

Stacey Burge, LISW-S

President & CEO

A Letter from the Board President



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Dear Found House IHN Supporters and Friends-

As Stacey mentioned, 2022 was a year of change, challenge, commitment, and continuity at Found House Interfaith Housing Network. With a big name change, we at the same time maintained continuity of service provision, community partnerships, and diligent work toward affordable housing for families, and broadly, for all of greater Cincinnati.

There is another example of continuity going hand-in hand with change that I am particularly proud of and that is the way Found House IHN provides services that are truly family-centered. By that, I do not just mean we reach out to families, but that we take the lead in all we do directly from the families we serve. Families get to define themselves. We have always held this as a central feature of programming and in our early years that was most evident in the way we welcomed fathers when other shelters could not. Over time, we have listened to families and challenged ourselves to expand our understanding that adult children, grandparents, adults and children that identify as LGBTQIA, couples with grown, or no children, and even pets, are family. This open-armed, inclusive spirit is a big reason I volunteer my time at Found House IHN.

I can speak for the Board of Trustees when I say we are, all of us, committed to meeting the challenges faced by the families we serve, as well as by Found House IHN as an organization. In the coming year, we will need ALL of YOU (and your friends!) committed to Found House IHN's mission to offer your time, skills, and resources. We will need you to meet the challenge of shelter delivery that has not yet fully recovered post-pandemic. We will need you to maintain the gains we have secured in housing development and delivery and, of course, to do even more housing as the need remains so very high.

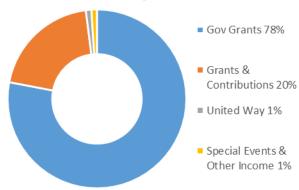
Thank you for all you have done and thank you in advance for all you will be doing to make greater Cincinnati the best place for all families to call home.

Sincerely, Chara Fisher Jackson, MS, JD President of the FHIHN Board of Trustees

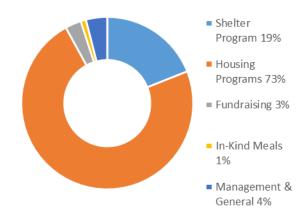
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Year-end net assets: \$2,355,911

Revenue Summary: 3.6M



Expense Summary: 3.9M



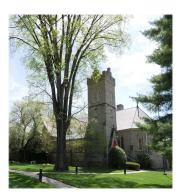
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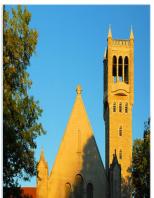






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New Name, Same Programs



In 2022, our name change to Found House Interfaith Housing Network became official! While our programs, operations, funding structures, and central vision remained the same, we did tweak our mission statement just a little. This new description of what we do and why we do it captures the same principles as the previous, being there for families that have lost housing and helping families to obtain and maintain permanent, affordable housing. Our mission is to provide shelter, housing, and support to families experiencing housing insecurity--to strengthen those services through interfaith and community partnerships--in pursuit of a community where all families have access to affordable housing.

Found House

Because it is all about housing!

Ensuring families have access to housing that meets the full range of needs—household members with disabilities, parents with limited income, kids that need nurturing spaces to play and grow, families that count dogs and cats among their members—is who we are and what we do.

Interfaith Housing Network

Because ensuring housing for all families requires the community to come together as one!

Interfaith partners have been the driving force of what we do for over thirty years. Providing temporary shelter in partnership with our professional staff, as well as supporting through continuous financial and in-kind contributions. Perhaps even more important, Catholic, Jewish, Unitarian, Muslim, Protestant, and so many other partners, representing the richness and diversity of greater Cincinnati, are community ambassadors. They spread the word that affordable housing is not a challenge too big to overcome, but one that each of us plays a part in resolving.

3 Pillars of Service



Found House IHN operates 3 pillars of service designed to:

- Provide hospitality to meet basic needs
- Keep families together
- Help families find and retain stable housing
- Build a community where no family has to go without roof overhead



Strategies

- Housing First
- Trauma-Informed
- Accept families as they define themselves
 - Partnerships with communities of faith

Impacting Lives

Keeping Families Together

The mission of Found House IHN Pet Support Program is to keep families together, like Dan and Snowy. Dan, a US veteran, was in need of a residential treatment program at Joseph House and was



facing housing insecurity. As most human shelters and treatment programs do not permit pets, his best friend, a cat named Snowy, needed shelter and care while he worked to heal. Many families, like Dan, are faced with the hard decision of surrendering their furry loved one in order to enter shelters or treatment programs. Recognizing the importance of the human-animal bond, FHIHN Pet Support

Program provides temporary shelter and care while families, like Dan and Snowy, secure pet-friendly and affordable housing.

During her stay, Snowy needed spayed. The Pet Support Program covered the financial cost of Snowy's surgery. Because of the surgery, it was discovered the Snowy had pyometra, an infection in her uterus. This infection may have killed her if not treated. The Pet Support Program was able to nurse Snowy to good health and reunite her with Dan. Snowy loves to sit on laps and she is super snuggly with the people she loves!

Dan and Snowy are now happily living together in stable, affordable, and pet-friendly housing! Support from FHIHN Pet Support Program staff, volunteers, and community, helps the Pet Support Program achieve its mission to help more families stay together!

Providing Support

Imagine walking into your new home with only your family, some clothes, and a few personal items. You have no household supplies, furniture, or bedding. The transition from emergency shelter to stable housing, while exciting and a relief, comes with new challenges.

Through our partnership with the Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati and their New Beginnings program, each family exiting FHIHN's Emergency Shelter program receives some of the basic items needed for their new home. Items include dishes, Tupperware, pots and pans, silverware, bath towels, pillows, blankets, sheets (Queen and twin sizes), and cleaning supplies.

In order to receive beds, families apply for New Life Furniture vouchers, which may take a month or more to process and receive. In the



meantime, so that families are not sleeping on the floor, we supply air mattresses. On average, this costs \$80 per family for a queen size air mattress for the adult and a twin air mattress for each child. The generous support from congregations, organizations, and individuals covers these costs and help families feel safe, warm, and comfortable in their new homes.

Found House IHN 2022 Impact

All Programs

377 families made up of 1,274 individuals, including 767 kids

93% obtained or maintained housing

95% did not return to homelessness

Housing

338 families made up of 1,159 individuals, including 706 kids

97% obtained or maintained housing

98% did not return to homelessness

Shelter

39 families made up of 115 individuals, including 61 kids

92% obtained housing

88% did not return to homelessness

Pets are Family Too!

Pet Support Program 2022



Found House IHN values the human-animal bond and advocates locally and nationally for affordable, pet-friendly housing. The mental and physical health benefits of companion pets is widely accepted and well-documented.

Pets are generally not welcome in shelters or treatment centers and separating from beloved animals can add to the trauma of homelessness for children and adults alike.

The Pet Support Program provides services to families and individuals across the community who are experiencing homelessness, or other kinds of housing insecurity, by providing pets a safe place to go while their human access services. Once housing in obtained, the whole family is reunited and stay together.

Want to help with pets? Email Garrett Parsons, at gparsons@foundhouse.org.

It's Pawty Time!

Thank you for attending the 2022 Pawty Pawlooza! We had such a great time! We extend our appreciation to our vendors, volunteers, attendees, and everyone who helped make this event so successful! With your help, we raised over \$4,500 For the Pet Support Program!

















Garrett Parsons and Lauren Lonev

Pet Support Program Service Director Receives Prestigious Award

Since 2014, the goal of the Pet Support Program (PSP) has been to keep the entire family together by providing temporary shelter for dogs, cats, and other pets whose owners are facing housing insecurity in the Greater Cincinnati area. The success of the Pet Support Program stems from the talented and dedicated Found House IHN staff and volunteers, particularly, PSP Service Director, Garrett Parsons. Last year, Garrett did incredible work with the Humane Society, where he was the recipient of the 2022 Humane Leader Award from the Humane Society of the United States. He has led presentations on topics such as *Keeping People and Pets Together: Addressing the Housing Crisis* at the HSUS Animal Care Expo in Orlando, FL.

Upcoming Events in 2023



Let's Get Together!

Found House IHN is so excited to welcome you back to celebrate our volunteers at our free Volunteer Appreciation Event! There will be food, awards, and raffles.

Mark your calendars for **Thursday, October 5 at 6pm** at the First United Church of Christ located on 5808 Glenview Ave.

RSVP to Jamie Green at jgreen@foundhouse.org.





"This fundraiser is a crucial element to our efforts to ensure that the hundreds of animals and their owners we see in a year have access to temporary shelter, veteriOn **Saturday, September 16**, Found House IHN Pet Support Program will be hosting our annual Pawty Pawlooza presented by the Carol Ann and Ralph V. Haile, Jr. Foundation from 2-5pm at Otto Armleder Dog Park located on 5057 Wooster Pike.

The event will have a caricature artist, live music, food, pet vendors, and Big Ash Brewing will be selling beer. Raffle baskets from the Cincinnati Reds, Anderson Pavilion, Bark Box, and more will be available. Raffle tickets are \$5 or 5/\$20. Meteorologist Allison Rogers from WLWT will be emceeing the event.

Tickets can be purchased for \$20.

To buy tickets or to become a sponsor, please visit: https://www.foundhouse.org/pawty2023

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR TICKETS!

ONLY \$20!



nary care, pet rental deposits, and more! We hope to see you there to support these families!"

- Garrett Parsons, Service Director for the Pet Support Program

Join Our Community

Be a part of the impact that Found House IHN makes across the Greater Cincinnati community. There are many ways to support families in need!

Kroger Plus Card

Register Found House Interfaith Housing Network as your charity of choice through Kroger Community Rewards.

Volunteer

Visit our website at www.foundhouse.org and complete a volunteer application today.

Donate

Your generosity has allowed FHIHN to provide services since 1991. You can donate by check made payable to Found House IHN and mailed to 990 Nassau Street, Cincinnati, OH 45206. To donate online by visiting our website at www.foundhouse.org/donate.

The mission of Found House Interfaith Housing Network is to provide shelter, housing, and support to families experiencing housing insecurity—to strengthen those services through interfaith and community partnerships—in pursuit of a community where all families have access to affordable housing.

Melrose Place Gardens



With generous funding from Christ Church Cathedral and the Carol Ann and Ralph V. Haile Jr. Foundation, Found House IHN purchased a green space and is planning to build a garden area behind our Melrose Place building for our residents to enjoy. Families will have easy access to beautiful gardens with plenty of open area to spend time together. To make this a reality for our families, we need to raise an additional \$30,000. We are so excited to get this project started and graciously ask you for your help. Together, we can continue expanding impact in our communities. To donate to Melrose Place Gardens, please write "Melrose Place Gardens" on the tribute line in the provided donation insert.

Interested in naming a bench? Donors at the \$5,000 level will have a bench named permanently for their requested honoree. Questions? Please reach out to Jamie Green, Development Director at jgreen@foundhouse.org.









Did you know that the SNAP (food assistance) program can not be used for any non-food items needed for day to day living such as personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, or laundry detergent? These are expensive items for families transitioning from shelter to stable housing. You can help by donating \$15 and \$25 gift cards from Kroger, Walmart, Meijer, or Target.

















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