

HNH Serves Close to 550 Clients in 2020



Despite the challenges of 2020, one thing did not change: Housing for New Hope's housing first approach to ending homelessness in our community. Last year, 543 people found safe, permanent housing after experiencing homelessness in shelters or on the streets.

Of those served through HNH's programs, 269 were adults and children who moved from shelters to permanent housing through our Rapid Rehousing (RRH) program. RRH breaks down barriers to housing by providing short-term rental assistance and services.

"Housing is often the first and most important step many individuals and families need to help them gain self-sufficiency and find employment," Russ Pierce, HNH's executive director points out. "Research has shown that by moving people quickly from shelters into housing puts them in a better position to achieve long-term housing success and all that goes with it." [Read More.](#)

GET INVOLVED



Build Housewarming Kits



Participate in HNH's Annual Breakfast



Make a Monetary Donation



Sign up for a Corporate Volunteer Day

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HNH Distributes Blankets for White Flag Nights

For our neighbors living unsheltered across Durham, winter brings the new challenge of how to stay warm despite dropping temperatures. Thanks to partnerships with Urban Ministries of Durham and Open Table Ministry, HNH provided a place to spend the night and a warm meal during recent White Flag nights. Church World Services (CWS) of Atlanta also provided our team with 300 wool blankets that were handed out by our Street Outreach team.

White Flag nights are designated when the temperature drops to 32 degrees. Temporary shelters are then opened for those who need a place to spend the night [Read More.](#)

HNH Celebrates MLK Day with a Day of Service



For the Martin Luther King Jr., Day of Service, HNH staff met at Williams Square apartments and put together 500 housewarming kits for individuals and families moving into housing after experiencing homelessness.

Using your donations, HNH purchased items for the baskets from community partner ACE Hardware that included basic household items.

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HNH Serves More Than 550 Clients in 2020



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Of the 561 people served through HNH's programs, 269 were adults and children who moved from shelters to permanent housing through our Rapid Rehousing program, which breaks down barriers to housing by providing short-term rental assistance and services to ensure housing success.

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In 2020, HNH also grew its Street Outreach team, providing services last year to 131 people living on the streets or in encampments. "Each night, hundreds of our neighbors sleep outside or in abandoned buildings because they are not aware of the services that are available to them," explains Kristi Page, HNH's client services director. "Our team goes out and connects with individuals living unsheltered and builds relationships with them. The goal is to connect them with temporary shelter and then permanent housing."

HNH's services do not stop at finding housing for our neighbors experiencing homelessness. Our services continue, not only through Rapid Rehousing, but in our Supportive Housing and Streets-to Home programs that provide ongoing support to individuals who experienced chronic homelessness and a disability.

"Our continued services are a key part of ensuring individuals and families maintain long-term housing," says Pierce.



2020 Reflections: Community, Purpose and Housing

By Russell Pierce, Executive Director

While there are many words to describe 2020, as I reflect on the year and the work we have done at Housing for New Hope, two words come to mind: community and purpose. The Coronavirus and related public health measures, including business closures and social distancing requirements, hit our most vulnerable neighbors the hardest. Thousands of people in our community lost their income and local shelters have struggled to maintain their normal capacity.

These changes forced organizations like ours to double down on our purpose and to join forces to ensure we continued to provide housing and support to those who are experiencing homelessness or are struggling to maintain housing due to COVID. **READ MORE**



HNH's community partner, Duke Memorial United Methodist Church, recently delivered Christmas presents for 25 children in our Rapid Rehousing Program, bringing Christmas to families who recently moved from shelter to housing.

Home for the Holidays



When our Rapid Rehousing team met Jennifer and Donte, they were seeking housing for their family. Today, they are preparing to celebrate the holidays with their children in a new apartment.

Our Rapid Rehousing program assists individuals and families experiencing homelessness with finding a place to call home and rental assistance and services to ensure they stay in housing.

This Holiday Season You Can Make a House a Home

Do you want to bring holiday cheer to one of your neighbors? Join Housing for New Hope as we provide Hearts to Home Holiday Kits or our clients who do not have the basic necessities to set up house.

Each basket features essential housing items that many of our residents do not have when they move into their new permanent home, including cleaning supplies, kitchen utensils, bedroom basics and bathroom necessities. **READ MORE**



Housing for New Hope 2021 Rent Party

When: January 31st

Time: 6 p.m. -7 p.m.

Tickets: \$50

**Ticket includes Durham @ your Doorstep box with HNH Tote, HNH Insulated Tumbler, Mad Popper popcorn, \$10 gift card to Durham Filling Station
Performances by North Star Church of the Arts**