



2016

By the time you read this, 2016 will be almost behind us. The Presidential campaign is finally over. There will no doubt be changes in our country. But no matter who is in office, we will still have a great number of homeless children and their parents needing the services of Family Promise of Gwinnett County (FPGC). Family Promise did not see a decrease in the number of families seeking our assistance in 2016. We have served 29 families this year, 101 individuals, 35 adults and 66 children. The average stay sits right at 50 days. Our partnerships with other county/area agencies continued to grow in 2016.

In 2016 we have had two families referred to Salvation Army housing, two families transitioned into Home of Hope at Gwinnett Children's Shelter, 3 more families moved into Lawrenceville Housing Corp. transitional homes, and many more moved into permanent housing. Home of Hope graduated two of the families FPGC referred to them last year, while Rainbow Village transitional housing recently graduated a former graduate family of Family Promise. We have come a long way from being a 90 day shelter program into the current 30-60-90 day recovery & sustainability program we are now. We now partner with agencies in Atlanta and south metro Atlanta among others.

Our After Care program is becoming a blessing to so many families. We continue expanding the services we offer our parents and children.

In 2016 we added Gwinnett Community Church, Mountain Park First Baptist Church and Snellville Church of Christ to our list of host congregations. For 2017, we already have McKendree UMC committed to host our families. We now have 29 host congregations and 13 supports congregations. We are also recruiting 8-9 other congregations for either hosting or supporting our host congregations. Please, pray we get many commitments!

The SaltLight Center, our emergency shelter, continues to grow as well. Since opening in the fall of 2011, we have grown from a 6:30 pm until 7:00 am winter shelter to a year round Monday – Friday shelter, and then to a seven nights a week shelter. In February of 2016 we made a leap of faith and opened up 7 am – 3 pm, Monday – Friday as well. We are offering a 3 computer resource lab with a full time case manager. As of November 30th, we have served 488 individuals, 274 women & 214 children. In all of 2015, we served 411 individuals, 242 women & 169 children. Almost every day we have women taking advantage of our resource lab.

FPGC has diligently worked to honor your wishes that your contributions be used to serve our families effectively and efficiently. As our contributions have grown, we have been able to expand our programs to serve our families at an even greater level. We continue to serve a great God who has blessed each of us to be a blessing to others in need.

We thank you for your support in 2016 and pray you will continue to volunteer, pray and financially support Family Promise of Gwinnett County, Inc. in 2017. For any information please call: 678-376-8950, email at: cferraro@familypromisegwinnett.org. Check out our new website too: familypromisegwinnett.org.

Thank you and have a very Happy Holiday Season,

Chuck Ferraro
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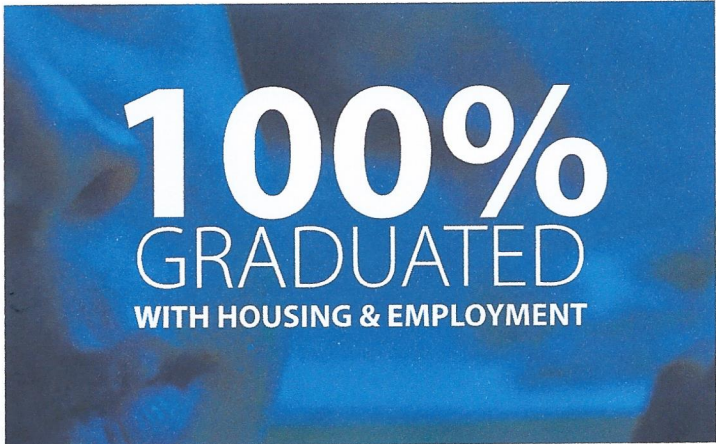
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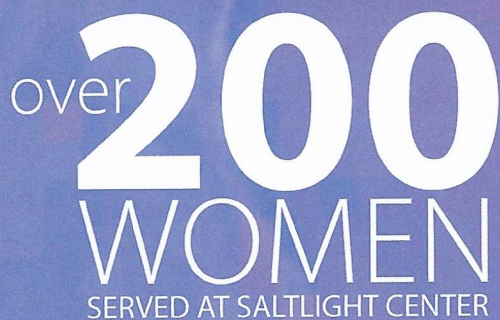
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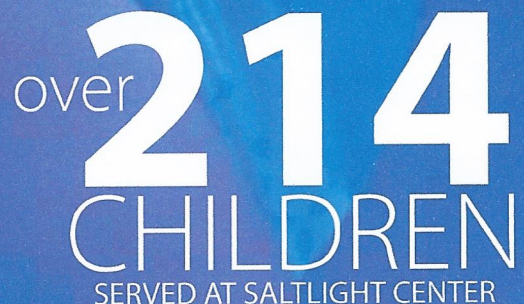
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