

CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

# Helping Our Mothers Excel

PREPARED EXCLUSIVELY FOR





Through the HOME curriculum, Center for the Homeless mothers are empowered to make healthy choices for their families, identify and secure appropriate housing, develop resilience in the face of adversity, act as their child(ren)'s best advocate, navigate public assistance programs, and find and retain paid employment. We have proven that when mothers build these skills, their children will have the support and stability they need to develop physically, personally, emotionally and academically, and the entire family will break the cycle of homelessness.





If you would like to present to any of our programming classes, please reach out to Ashton Davis: [adavis@cch.net](mailto:adavis@cch.net)

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STARTING OVER. STEPPING HIGHER.

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# Successful Outcomes 2016-2017

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Predicted Outcome #1: 80% of mothers who begin HOME will complete the program.

Actual Outcome #1: 66% of mothers completed the HOME program. From July 2016 to June 2017, a total of 27 mothers who lived at the Center enrolled in the HOME program and 18 of them completed the program in its entirety. Several factors played into not meeting the predicted outcome. They included: three mothers found employment; one mother left the center after one week of participation; and, one did not attend enough classes in order to graduate. The only reason for not completing was as a result of leaving the Center.

Predicted Outcome #2: 50% of mothers who currently lack a high school diploma will attain their High School Equivalency (HSE) Diploma.

Actual Outcome #2: 100% of our mothers who lacked a high school diploma will soon obtain their diploma. Out of the 27 mothers who participated in HOME last year, all but one mom had their high school diploma. The lone mother began the testing to get into a GED/HSE class.









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Predicted Outcome #3: 75% of mothers who complete HOME will enroll in a training program, secure an internship, or secure a job.

**Actual Outcome #3: 100% of the mothers who completed HOME either enrolled in additional training programs or secured a job.** Eight mothers secured full time employment with local companies. Four moms attended and graduated from the Center's STAR (Skill, Trained, Able, Ready) training program. One other attended and graduated from the Center's SOSH (Starting Over, Stepping Higher) Program. Every mother attended additional training programming including nutrition classes and Take Ten. Two mothers are currently enrolled in college courses and one mom paid off her outstanding student loans and will begin classes in the fall.

Predicted Outcome #4: 50% of mothers who complete HOME will move into stable housing within 12 months of program completion.

**Actual Outcome #4: 50% of our mothers were successful in their housing goals.** Five mothers moved into stable housing. Four mothers are in the final stages of acquiring stable housing (and the 12-month threshold has not been met). Additionally, another three mothers are in the final stages of preparing to move out.





# Continued Success

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In addition to successful transition employment and permanent housing, this program has helped 10 mothers increase their access to benefit/entitlements for which they and their children were eligible. This included benefits such as obtaining TANF, Medicaid, WIC and/or SNAP (food stamps) for some mothers, getting TANF reinstated, and transferring benefits to St. Joseph County from other communities.

# Thank You!

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The support of the Wilson Sheehan Foundation has given our mothers the opportunity to accomplish great things this past year and we know they will continue to excel!





# In Her Own Words



## Dominique

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“HOME has inspired me to work harder to become a better me so that I can be a better mom for my children. I enjoyed home because we spoke about how to maintain a good attitude about the things going on in our lives. We also spoke about things going on in the community as well as how to make goals and maintaining what we need to do to set goals.

HOME is very inspiring and I encourage any mom to take the class with an open heart as well as an open mind because nothing you will learn about is to harm you. It's all to better your life so that you can move forward highly effective.”





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mothers since 1988.**





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