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## Interfaith Hospitality Network

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### FACT SHEET

<b>Organization</b>	Family Promise Chicago North Shore
<b>Description</b>	Family Promise Chicago North Shore is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit transitional shelter program that partners with 29 churches and synagogues in North Shore neighborhoods to return homeless or near-homeless families with young children to permanent housing. Unlike a traditional shelter, Family Promise Chicago North Shore keeps the family together and offers an individualized approach to return families to financial stability.
<b>History</b>	Since 2010, Family Promise Chicago North Shore has helped approximately 35 families find affordable housing, secure employment, learn budgeting skills, and understand and utilize community resources. As one of 180 affiliates of the national Family Promise organization established in 1988, Family Promise Chicago North Shore operates independently, receiving training and guidance but no funding from the national group.
<b>Key Services</b>	<p>North Shore congregations, rotated weekly, offer transitional housing, meals, homework assistance, and fellowship.</p> <p>Staff offer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Housing referrals and good tenancy training</li><li>• Job search assistance and workforce development opportunities</li><li>• Time management training</li><li>• Budgeting and financial literacy training</li><li>• Transportation assistance to job interviews, work and school</li></ul> <p>Referrals to other community resources in the areas of housing assistance, emergency food and shelters for families not qualifying for our program.</p>
<b>Management</b>	<p>The Family Promise Chicago North Shore leadership team includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tracy McKeithen, Network Director</li><li>• John Gavin, Board Chair</li></ul>
<b>Number Served</b>	<p>A holistic approach serves up to four families simultaneously for 90 days on average.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 15 families participate each year.</li><li>• 150 adults receive resources and referrals.</li><li>• Approximately 85 % transition to permanent housing.</li><li>• Almost 3 times the number employed at intake are employed after program completion.</li></ul>
<b>Partnership Organizations</b>	29 congregations in Evanston, Glencoe, Wilmette, Winnetka, Northbrook, Northfield, and Glenview provide meals and shelter with the help of more than 600 volunteers.
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.fpcnorthshore.org">www.fpcnorthshore.org</a>
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