

FAMILY AID
BOSTON

2018 ANNUAL REPORT



FROM OUR PRESIDENT

the primary reason why 99% of the families we place in housing remain housed a year later.

This year, research from Boston's medical community revealed what we intrinsically know: children suffer the most when families become homeless. The earlier and longer children experience homelessness, the greater the risk to their health and development. Our staff works tirelessly with parents to address their children's physical, emotional, and developmental needs. Over the next year, we will pursue new opportunities to strengthen the foundations for children's long-term safety, health, and success.

The work done at FamilyAid Boston – by our families and by our care teams – is difficult, and the road for our families is often long and challenging. But, with your help, we create a brighter future at the end of that road. Thank you for your continued support as we work to ensure that every parent and child in our care has a safe, stable, and supportive home.

Sincerely,

Larry Seamans

President

DEAR FRIENDS:

For more than 100 years, FamilyAid Boston has been the place that parents in crisis have turned to for safe shelter, stable housing, and help creating a forward trajectory for their lives and those of their children.

Today, more than 1,570 adults and children are safe and secure in our housing and shelters. Through our individualized support, they are working to obtain permanent housing, higher paying jobs, and the educational opportunities and child enrichment activities that will break the cycle of poverty. This support is one of the greatest strengths of our agency, and

FAMILYAID BOSTON BY THE NUMBERS

THE CHALLENGE:

MASSACHUSETTS HAS
THE FOURTH HIGHEST
RATE OF FAMILY
HOMELESSNESS IN
THE UNITED STATES.



THERE ARE MORE THAN

3,500
FAMILIES

IN MASSACHUSETTS
STATE SHELTERS ON
ANY GIVEN NIGHT.

100

**HOURS OF WORK
PER WEEK**

A PERSON EARNING
MINIMUM WAGE WOULD
NEED JUST TO RENT A 2
BEDROOM APARTMENT.



OUR IMPACT:



**over the
past year**

**FAMILYAID
BOSTON**

SERVED
1,570
PARENTS &
CHILDREN

578

PARENTS AND
CHILDREN
PREVENTED
FROM BECOMING
HOMELESS

876

PARENTS AND
CHILDREN
RECEIVED SHELTER,
HOUSING PLACEMENT,
AND YOUTH
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

588

PARENTS AND
CHILDREN
RECEIVED HOUSING
STABILIZATION
SUPPORTS



65%

**OF THE PEOPLE
WE SERVE
ARE CHILDREN**





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HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION

On any given day in Massachusetts, 43 families are evicted from their homes.

Many lose housing because of a sudden crisis like a lost job or medical emergency. FamilyAid Boston's Homelessness Prevention program provides critical, one-time emergency financial assistance to preserve a family's housing and help them avoid homelessness. A team of compassionate professionals then works with the family to budget and save money, help parents obtain jobs, and connect children to the resources they need for success in school and beyond. Of the families who receive financial assistance, 90% remain in stable housing over the long term.

Since merging with the Family-to-Family Project, we helped 42% more parents retain their homes, and provided the support they need to help their children thrive.



Alexa's partner passed away suddenly. Overcome by her own grief and wanting to support her children as they coped with the loss of their father, Alexa took time off from her 30-hour per week job. With no paid vacation or personal time, her choice to spend this critical time with her children meant that Alexa wasn't earning income, causing her to fall behind on rent. Her landlord served her with an eviction notice. With the help of FamilyAid Boston's Homelessness Prevention program, Alexa and her three children stayed in their home and were not uprooted. With the help of her care team, Alexa is back to work, saving money, and planning for her family's future.



876 PARENTS
AND CHILDREN
RECEIVED
SHELTER
AND SUPPORT
SERVICES

EMERGENCY SHELTER

Massachusetts has the fourth highest rate of family homelessness in the United States.

Our Community Based Shelter program provides safe shelter and support services to help families transition back into stable housing. Our shelter units are located in neighborhood settings, providing families access to the jobs, schools, and resources that they need to succeed. Our staff supports families in budget creation, employment and housing search, and getting necessary resources such as healthcare and childcare. Throughout their time in shelter, families work together to identify the issues that led them to become homeless and address the barriers they face as they work to return to stable, permanent housing.

Cameron is a single dad of two daughters. After he was laid off from his job, Cameron could no longer afford to pay the rent for his apartment. He was placed into FamilyAid Boston's Community Based Shelter program where he began working with a case manager, employment specialist, and housing search specialist. Cameron worked with his care team to find a new job and develop a budget that would allow him to return to stable housing. Cameron now works at a local hospital as a full-time security guard and he recently moved into a new apartment with his daughters. Cameron continues to work with his FamilyAid Boston care team to ensure long-term success and a stable future for his family.



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HOUSING
SUPPORTS
AND
STABILIZATION
SERVICES

HOUSING SUPPORT SERVICES

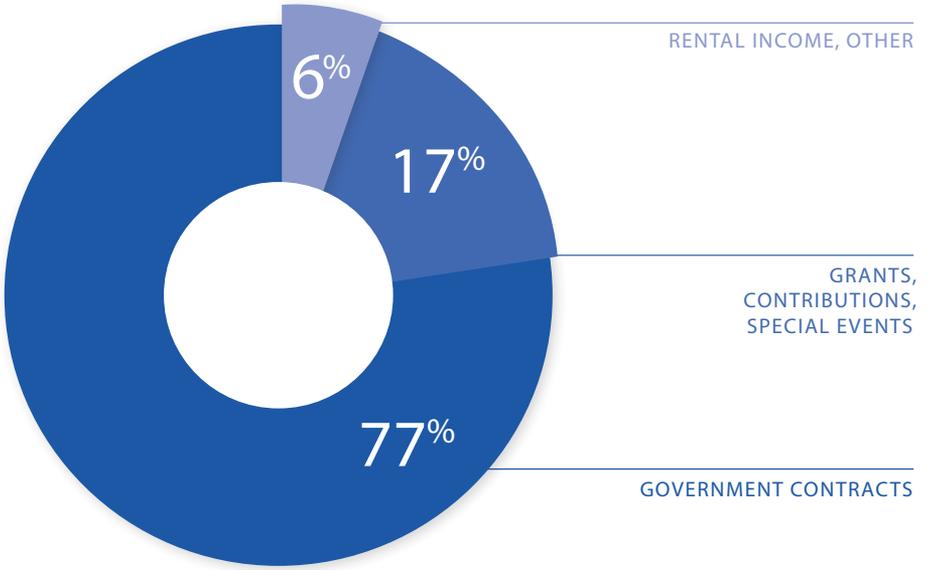
The first year back in permanent housing is the most vulnerable time for families who have experienced homelessness.

FamilyAid Boston's housing supports provide families with a bridge from shelter to housing. Families live in their own apartments, including 135 units of housing either owned or supported by FamilyAid Boston. They work with their care team to reach financial independence and build upon the skills and resources they developed in shelter, all with the goal of long-term stability and success.

Monica became homeless at age 17, following the deaths of both of her parents. She lived on Boston's streets for ten years. During this time, she became pregnant with her son. Monica's dream was to have a safe, stable home for her baby boy. With the help of FamilyAid Boston, Monica found a home for herself and her son and connected with the services she needed to get back on her feet. Monica's care team helped her to find a job, obtain medical care for her son, and further her education. Monica now lives in a two bedroom apartment with her son and works as a certified nurse assistant in a group home for people with disabilities. Monica has also started school to pursue her bachelor's degree in human services.

2018 FINANCIALS

REVENUE

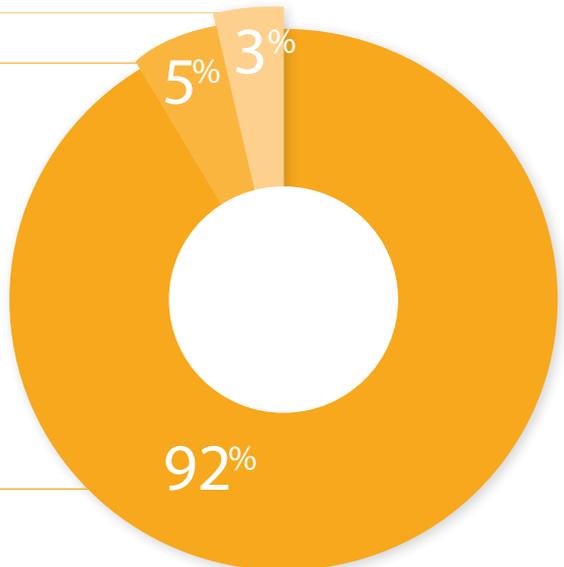


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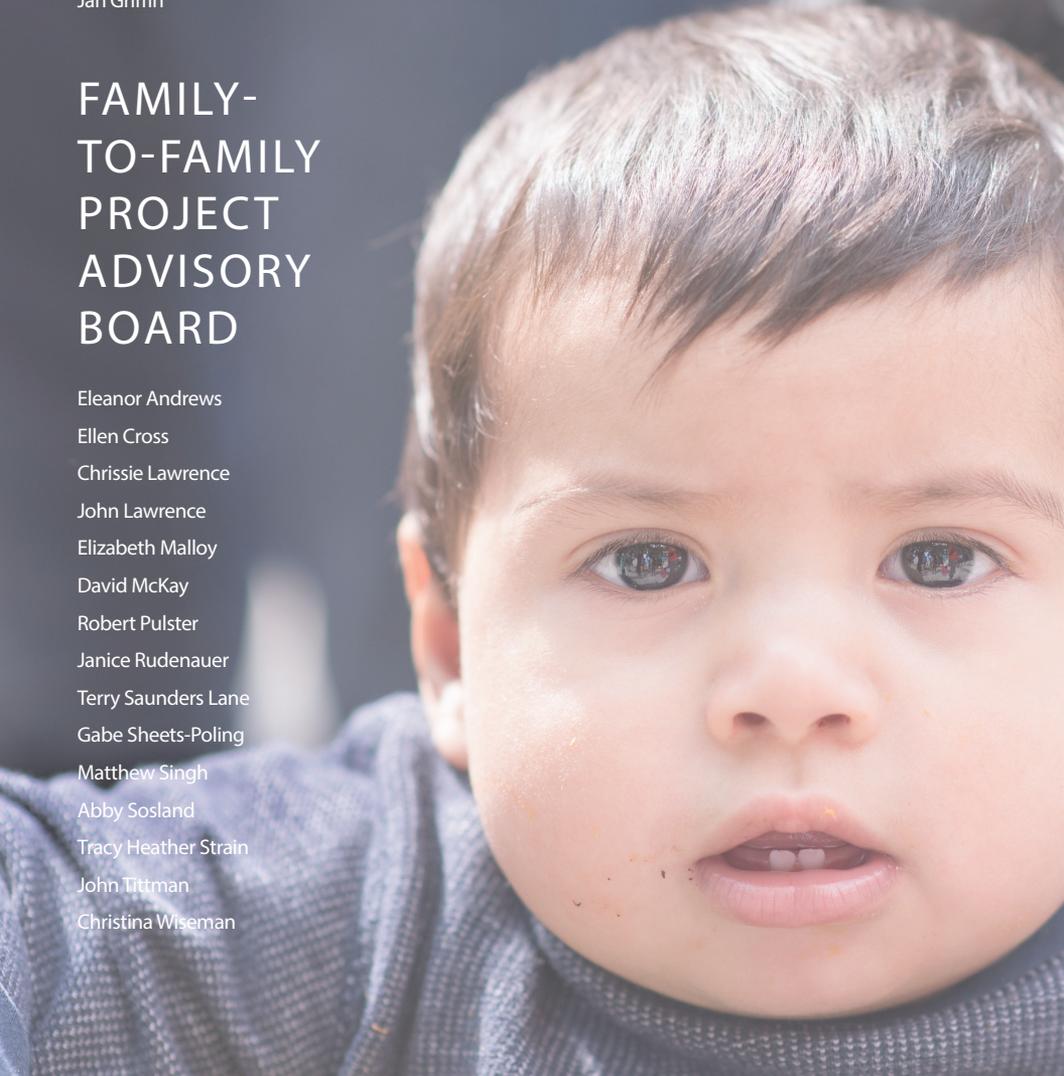
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EMPOWERS
PARENTS AND
CAREGIVERS
FACING
HOMELESSNESS
TO SECURE
AND SUSTAIN
HOUSING AND
BUILD STRONG
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FOR THEIR
CHILDREN'S
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