

# Team Patrick Cares

## A commitment to serving our community

### TEAM PATRICK CARES!

*Team Patrick has selected Friendship House as the organization to which we will offer aid and support in 2023. At the closing of each transaction, Team Patrick will make a financial contribution to Friendship House in honor of every client we have represented in the purchase or sale of property in 2023. Knowing there are those within our community experiencing the difficult challenges of homelessness and houselessness, it is our hope that the aid we provide to Friendship House will help to make a small difference in people's lives.*

**FRIENDSHIP HOUSE**  
*A Way Home!*



Friendship House's Mission is to unite people facing homelessness with loving, supportive communities they can call home. Friendship House works with people who are experiencing homelessness, houselessness or both.

*Homelessness and houselessness are defined differently.*

Homelessness is the loss of community and houselessness is the loss of one's physical residence. When someone loses their community and is experiencing homelessness, houselessness can be quick to follow. Someone can lose their residency suddenly, and then they may experience homelessness. Therefore, Friendship House strives to ensure every person is ultimately connected to a loving supportive community to break the cycle of homelessness and houselessness.

### **Programs supported by Friendship House:**

The Friendship Clothing Bank distributes clothing, at no cost, to those in need, and new school uniforms (dress-code items) to families struggling to make ends meet. The Clothing Bank also provides jobs and job training to women exiting incarceration or substance abuse programs.

Friendship House's Empowerment Centers provide hospitality and assistance for those seeking employment. They help with technology access, bus tickets to verifiable appointments/interviews, and obtaining state-issued IDs. Financial assistance helps with rent, utilities, and medical bills for those facing difficult circumstances. As needs have increased, Friendship House has expanded to provide help to those in Kent and Sussex counties.

Friendship House also offers transitional housing. The residents of this program receive subsidized housing and assistance with finding employment, budgeting, debt management and parent and relationship training.

Programs such as Code Purple, a winter initiative, help those who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, during times of difficult weather conditions.

Should you wish to support Friendship House, please find contact details below:  
[www.friendedshiphousede.org](http://www.friendedshiphousede.org) – (302)652-8133 – [info@friendshiphousede.org](mailto:info@friendshiphousede.org)

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### Interesting Facts about Friendship House -2021

- 35 Years of Service
- 8 Locations
- 1,500+ Volunteers
- 11,000+ Clients Served
- 221 Community Partners



### Clothing Bank

The Clothing Bank provides free, good quality clothing to the community; a safe, fun, and rewarding volunteer experience; and provides an entry level, life and job skills training program for women exiting prison or in the Transitional Housing program.

- 4,629 People received clothing across Delaware
- 186,000 pounds of clothes processed
- 5,110 uniform items given to 1,300 students at 9 schools

### Empowerment Center

The Empowerment Centers maintain direct contact with those experiencing homelessness and houselessness in the Wilmington, Newark, Middletown, Odessa, Townsend, Richardson Park, and Millcreek areas. At the centers, individual and community needs are addressed.

- 3,599 people served through 4 separate centers
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### Financial Assistance

The Financial Assistance Program assists individuals and families facing financial burdens in Delaware. This program is run through the Empowerment Centers and includes the Fines & Fees Fund which started in partnership with the Delaware Campaign to End Debtors' Prisons.

- 3,290 Households received \$265,693 in help throughout Delaware
- 729 Households received utility bill assistance
- 347 Households received rent and security deposit assistance
- 1,135 people obtained their birth certificate
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### Hope Center

The Empowerment Program at the New Castle County Hope Center provided guidance and case management 24 hours a day to hundreds of guests. Guests were connected to resources, ensured they had access to food and transportation, and assisted in helping guests find permanent housing.

- 958 individuals were served from 426 households
- 382 Children were sheltered
- 255 found permanent housing

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