



Family Promise[®] of Southern Chester County

Creating a self-sustaining livelihood for children and families experiencing homelessness
in Southern Chester County, Pennsylvania

President's Report

The last few months have been a time of transition and expansion for the FPSCC Board of Directors. The original, founding Board members John Kriza, Bill Carl, Kevin McLean, Deb Schmittle, and Ann-Louise Jeffery have worked tirelessly for years bringing the Family Promise dream to life. They have served with amazing energy and foresight and we have been blessed!

In order to avoid Board burn out and to get fresh ideas, vision, and passion; we welcomed several new members to the Board. It is with great pleasure that I introduce you to Dick White, Tom Houghton, J.M. Herr, Kim Zuleba, Brynne Crowe, Wes Bowers, and Mike Bell. We are so excited to have them on board and welcome the variety of strengths and gifts they bring the table.

It is also a time of transition as we say "Good Bye" to founding member and secretary, Deb Schmittle. She has been instrumental in our growth as the head of the Recruitment Committee. She worked so hard to get us to 13 host churches and 14 support congregations. She and her husband, Jim, will be retiring to the southeastern seaboard to spend time sailing and enjoying a well-earned rest!

As we enter this new phase of our growth; please consider helping on one of our committees. It is a great way to get your feet wet if you are thinking of a Board position in the future! We have several committees that require a variety of passions and talents – I know one will be right for you.

Whether you serve on the Board, volunteer on a Committee, help with one of the host or support congregations, or assist at the Resource Center; we thank you for your sharing your time and talent with us and our families.

God Bless you,
~ Reverend Annalie Korengel, FPSCC Board

FPSCC Kicks Off Annual Campaign



FPSCC's "Every Child Deserves a Home" first Annual Fundraising Campaign kicked off in June to raise funds in support of services to our children and families experiencing homelessness. Campaign funds will go toward helping our families with moving expenses, financial counseling, health and social services, clothing, and transportation for employment and housing searches.

Please consider making a **\$30, \$55 or \$100 donation** to this important campaign to maintain our services for families experiencing sudden homelessness. Donate online at www.familypromisescc.org or mail donations to: FPSCC, P.O. Box 326, West Grove, PA 19390. We are a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. All donations are tax deductible. **Thank you so very much!**

Executive Director Update

Life has been good at Family Promise of Southern Chester County! Since we opened in late 2015, we have served 12 families representing 16 adults and 26 children. We have worked with families to find stable employment. We have worked with families to create a sustainable monthly budget. We have worked with families to find affordable housing in very expensive Southern Chester County.

To date, the average stay for our families is 47 days, under the national average of 63 days. When families move into permanent housing, we try to provide them with all of the household goods and furniture that they need. Thanks to your generosity we have been able to accomplish that.

Please keep your donations coming, whether they are toiletries, paper products, or cleaning supplies. The summer is also a slow time for monetary donations, so please think of us while you are enjoying the wonderful weather. We're kicking off our "Every Child Needs a Home" campaign this month ... watch your mail!

We now have 8 families in sustainable housing and we are keeping touch with them through our Family Promise AfterCare Program. All families are doing very well and we are providing them with any additional help they need.



My thanks to all of you for what you do to serve our families! It will take a team effort to alleviate homelessness in Southern Chester County and our team is on the right track!

~Susan Minarchi, Executive Director

Connect with us!

- Sign-up for our online newsletter on our website:

www.FamilyPromiseSCC.org



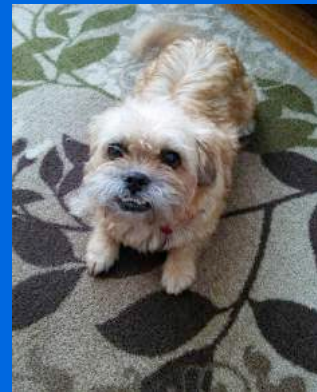
- Email us at: info@familypromisesc.org

- "Like" us on Facebook @ Family Promise of Southern Chester County



- Volunteer at our Resource Center:
105 West Evergreen Street, West Grove, PA
19390. 610-345-1100

PetSmart Partnership



It's very important for our families to know that their pets will be well taken care of while they are working to find stable employment and sustainable housing. PetSmart has worked with Family Promise affiliates across the county to keep pets safe and sound while their families are at Family Promise.

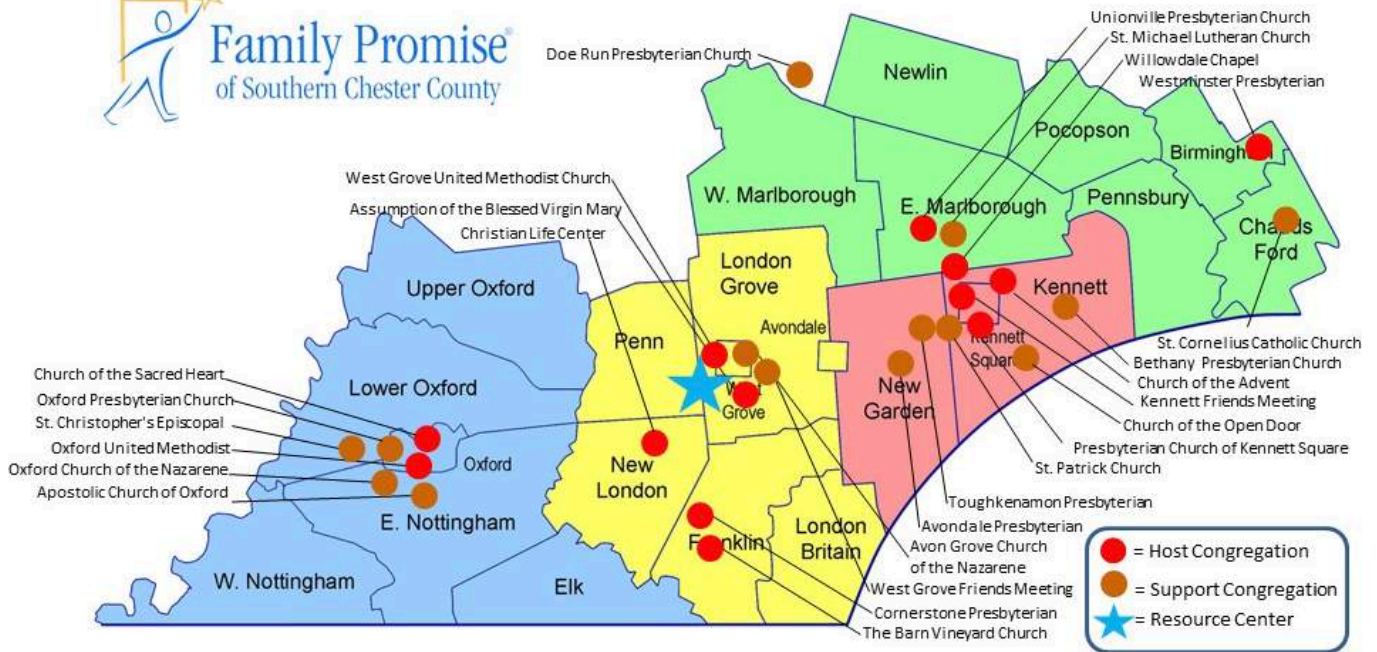
There is a Banfield Pet Hospital in many PetSmart locations. All vaccinations & deworming needs are brought up to date by Banfield Pet Hospital, free of charge. It's important that pets are healthy and happy before going to the PetsHotel. The closest Pets Hotel to Southern Chester County is in Springfield, Delaware County. PetsHotel stays are also provided at no charge to the family.

Pets are kept active during their stay and families are able to visit their pet while they are at the PetsHotel or take their pet out for the day. When the family is ready to move into their new home, their pet is able to rejoin the family!

This happy pet just moved into her new home. She has even come to visit Family Promise at our Resource Center. The other families loved her!



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Thirteen "Host" and Fourteen "Support" Congregations in the Family Promise Family

Host Congregations

1. Unionville Presbyterian Church
2. Westminster Presbyterian Church
3. Willowdale Chapel
4. Cornerstone Presbyterian Church
5. Christian Life Center
6. Episcopal Church of the Advent
7. Assumption Blessed Virgin Mary Church
8. Oxford United Methodist Church
9. Kennett Friends Meeting
10. West Grove United Methodist Church
11. The Barn Vineyard Church
12. Sacred Heart Parish
13. Presbyterian Church of Kennett Square

Support Congregations

1. Avon Grove Church of the Nazarene
2. West Grove Friends Meeting
3. Church of the Open Door
4. Oxford Church of the Nazarene
5. Toughkenamon Presbyterian Church
6. St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
7. Apostolic Church of Oxford
8. Avondale Presbyterian Church
9. St. Michael Lutheran Church
10. Bethany Presbyterian Church
11. Doe Run Presbyterian Church
12. St. Patrick Church
13. Oxford Presbyterian Church
14. St. Cornelius Catholic Church