



STRONG AND HEALTHY FAMILIES



PROJECT HOPE

PROJECT HOPE - NO CHILD GOES HOMELESS *In Partnership with Boston Promise Initiative*

WHAT WE ARE ABOUT:

Project Hope is a multi-service agency at the forefront of efforts in Boston to move families beyond homelessness and poverty. Project Hope provides direct services to low-income families with children including housing search assistance, adult basic education, childcare and job training. It fosters personal transformation and works with the community and state to achieve change by advocating for just public policies that strengthen families.

Located in the Dudley neighborhood, Project Hope has worked in partnership with families since 1981 and was founded by The Little Sisters of the Assumption. Its programs serve hundreds of families and community members each year.

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WHO WE SERVE:

We mostly serve single mothers with young children.



MAJORITY WITH INCOMES
LESS THAN 25K



54% AFRICAN AMERICAN
46% LATINO

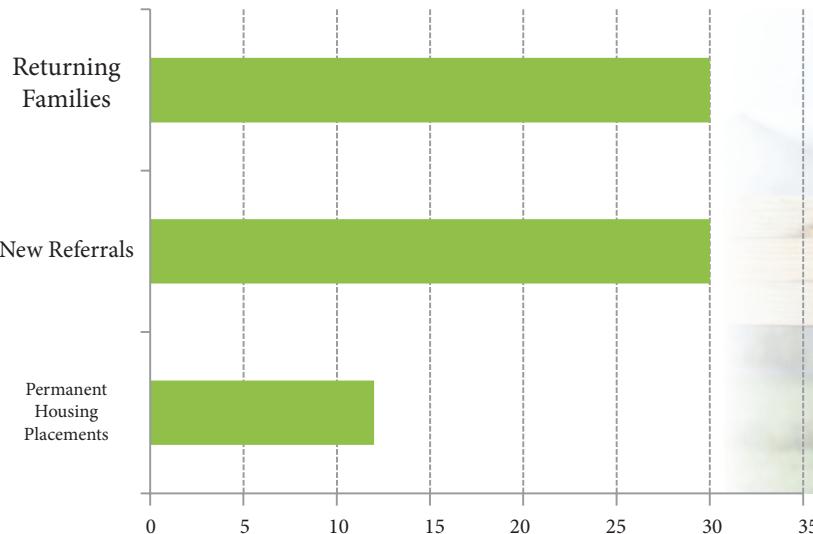


46% WERE HOMELESS AS CHILDREN



PROMISING IMPACT

PROGRAM GOALS (NUMBER OF FAMILIES)



BPI PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ Project Hope and DSNI collaborate with 3 school partners: Orchard Gardens K-8 Pilot School, the Dearborn STEM Academy, and the Dudley Street Neighborhood Charter School. Project Hope meets with school staff on-site on a regular basis, and the schools refer families who are experiencing housing instability. Since the beginning of this initiative, 115 families have been referred, and, 43 families either obtained housing or were able to retain their current housing.
- ✓ DSNI and Project Hope provided training for staff and school partners, including Dudley Promise Corps, Boston Teacher Residency, Citizen Schools and City Connects on the issue of student homelessness, the difficulties experienced by families who are in shelters and motels, signs to identify this issue in their students, and ways to support students and families.
- ✓ Project Hope and DSNI are working together to gather and analyze attendance data on all of the students whose families have been referred. We are seeing improvements in students' school attendance after they are stably housed.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

In 2015, Project Hope's education and workforce development initiatives ensured 87 adult women received work readiness programming, and 80 percent of job training graduates were placed in jobs with an average starting salary of over \$30,000. Project Hope's housing support services ensured 131 families at risk of losing housing were able to stay in their homes, and 40 families were placed into affordable housing. Project Hope's children's services ensured 112 children were enrolled in high quality early education and care, and 95 percent of children met their developmental milestones. In the Dudley Village Campus, we placed 14 families into permanent, affordable housing and prevent evictions for another 19 families.

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