2013 Successes

**WHO**

40 mothers and their families received housing and support services at SLH, including 79 children.

**WHO WE SERVE: MOTHERS**

- Age 45-54: 18%
- Age 18-24: 20%
- Age 35-44: 43%
- Age 25-34: 20%

Average Age: 36 years

**WHO WE SERVE: CHILDREN**

- Age 15-18: 15%
- Age 11-14: 14%
- Age 7-10: 30%
- Age 4-6: 30%
- Age 0-3: 12%

Average Age: 8 years

**HOW**

- 100% of families have access to adequate and nutritious food.
- 100% of families receive support accessing affordable childcare.
- 100% of families receive support purchasing school supplies.

**WHAT**

- Among countless other successes...
  - 5 families achieved their goals and moved out of SLH into stable housing.
  - 5 families found safety and support by moving into SLH.
  - 95% of families have remained safely at SLH or moved onto safe, stable housing elsewhere.
  - 100% of children successfully completed their grade level this year.

**WHERE**

AUSTIN, TEXAS

- 100+ volunteers
- 50+ volunteer groups representing the central Texas area
- Contributed more than 7,400 hours

**WHY?** To empower women with children to overcome homelessness in central Texas

Volunteers hosted drives, planned events (including our annual Mother and Me Tea and Sips and Salsa Soirée!), delivered groceries, planted gardens, painted fences, built playgrounds and lending libraries, baked birthday cakes, tutored, and much, much more.

Share our story and successes with a friend!
A **Community** Helping Single Mothers with Children Overcome Homelessness

Founded in 2000, Saint Louise House provides deeply affordable housing and essential services to mothers and children experiencing homelessness in Austin. Saint Louise House has grown from five apartments in 2001 to two 24-unit apartment complexes and the capacity to serve 34 families.

At Saint Louise House, families are embraced and encouraged to be a part of our supportive community as they work or attend school. Saint Louise House collaborates with our families as well as our partner organizations, donors and volunteers to help single mothers with children achieve self-sufficiency and pursue safe, healthy and hope-filled futures.

**Our on-site licensed social workers join with a community of volunteers and donors to make Saint Louise House home:**

**Volunteers** assist with apartment set-up, childcare, grounds maintenance, program events, purchasing, office support, food pantry pick-up, making meals for program activity nights, our annual fundraising events, and special projects. Volunteers also provide professional services, including graphic design, legal assistance, dental services, and much more.

**Investments** of all sizes help us continue providing housing and supportive services when single women-led families need them most. Thirty-four families currently live at Saint Louise House, yet many more are on our waiting list.

- An investment of $68 supports a family for a day.
- An investment of $480 supports a family for a week.
- An investment of $25,000 supports a family for a year.

**An investment in Saint Louise House is an investment in the future of a family.**

“**Saint Louise House made me feel like I mattered. I felt like finally I have a partner. For the first time, I felt like I wasn’t alone.**”

– Saint Louise House mother

“**When you walk into a shelter you are broken. My life and my heart were broken into a million pieces. Saint Louise House has helped me put those pieces back together.”**

– Saint Louise House alumna

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