

July 2020

A Message From the Executive Director:

To our Family Promise North Fulton/DeKalb community,

First of all, **thank you!** Over the past few months this community has stepped up in a way that doesn't surprise us anymore, but still awes us every single day. As the Coronavirus pandemic has stretched on, this community's commitment to each other has not only continued, but grown. With congregations, coordinators, and volunteers stepping up every week, we are humbled by your gifts of service.

Beginning in March, in order to comply with the CDC and Georgia's guidelines, Family Promise partnered with St. Luke's Presbyterian Church to create a Shelter-In-Place for our families. Instead of the traditional rotation from congregation to congregation, families have found a temporary home at St. Luke's. We cannot express enough gratitude for St. Luke's who have been incredible partners during this time. Hosting the families since the end of March, the staff and congregation of St. Luke's have gone above and beyond to help Family Promise and these families! Thank you, St. Luke's!

We appreciate all of our congregations and their amazing support during this time. Congregations who would normally be hosting each week are instead donating funds for St. Luke's cleaning service and grocery gift cards for the families, as well as supplying a nightly overnight host. Our families are extremely grateful for the outpouring of love and support they've received during this trying time.

As this situation continues to change and develop, we will continue to adapt in the best ways to help our community. As of right now, in order to keep families, staff, and volunteers safe, we are continuing to operate FP out of St. Luke's. We will continue to closely monitor the situation within our community to make the safest decisions moving forward.

We at Family Promise are always blown away by how this community comes together to help each other. As volunteer opportunities or specific supply needs become available, we will continue to keep you informed.

Thank you for your continued support, love, and generosity during these times.

Andrea Brantley



Coronavirus Emergency Relief

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A Time to Celebrate!

**In partnership with
1-800-Charity-Cars and
Project Spark, two Family
Promise families have
received donated cars!**



Both moms in our program had been renting cars from ride sharing services. These companies charge hundreds and hundreds of dollars a week for their car rentals. Many families are desperate in their need for a car. They know they have to be able to drive their children to school and get themselves to work. For many these agreements start off manageable, but over time make it incredibly difficult to get ahead or save funds.

We are so happy to help both of these moms out of those plans and into cars of their own!



Things are moving right along here at Family Promise! We are thrilled to announce that two of the moms in our program have been provided with newly renovated cars! Midas, through their program Project Spark, take donated cars, completely rebuild and donate them to families in need!

THANK YOU MIDAS!



"This is life-changing." One mom shook her head in disbelief



as she was handed the keys to her donated car. "Truly life changing."

On Wednesday morning the Midas team that worked on the vehicles, presented the families with their cars! It was a wonderful moment where these incredible members of the community came together in celebration and gratitude!

FPNFD Receives Family Promise COVID Innovation Grant!

We are happy to announce that our **FP** affiliate was recently selected as one of the Family Promise National grant recipients!



Family Promise North Fulton/DeKalb recently received a matching grant for \$5,000 to expand our Family Ever After Program!

This means that if Family Promise NFD raises \$5,000 then Family Promise National will match those donations **dollar for dollar!**

This is a great opportunity to give to Family Promise NFD and have your money double through the Matching Grant.

This is an incredible opportunity for us to make a monumental difference in the life of our families! Please consider giving at this time to see your money double the impact. We are extremely grateful to the Family Promise National team for their support and generosity.

Please consider clicking below to donate and help us reach \$5,000!

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Family Ever After is a family aftercare program for those who have graduated from Family Promise. It follows families for the first critical 6 months after graduation to ensure that they are on a path to forever success!

Volunteer Spotlight: The FP Financial Team!

Exciting things are happening at Family Promise of North Fulton/DeKalb! We are proud to announce our new 2020 Board Treasurer, Nancy Hoehn! Nancy has over 15 years of both corporate and non-profit experience. As the CEO of the Alpharetta Chamber of Commerce, Nancy came to Family Promise after hearing the stories of our incredible families. She has been on the FP Board since April 2019. Since accepting the post of Treasurer, Nancy has gone above and beyond in dedicating her time and skills to this new role within FP. We are so grateful to Nancy for stepping in and stepping up!

Nancy has been instrumental in working with Andrea to bring on a new part-time bookkeeper to join the FP Team! Jill Prager not only has years of bookkeeping experience but has years of Family Promise bookkeeping experience! She came highly recommended by the Family Promise of Cobb County team, so we are excited to have her!

As the head of the Family Promise Finance Committee, FP Board Vice Chair Coye Mann has been an invaluable piece of the FP Financial Team during these strange and difficult times. As the pandemic began, Coye wasted no time in working with Andrea to make sure Family Promise was set up for these upcoming hard times. The pair worked tirelessly on applying for the Federal PPP loan as soon as it was possible. We received news this week that Family Promise was accepted! We will be receiving funds soon!

Our financial team is always working hard behind the scenes, and that is even more true during these difficult times. We could not do what we do without them! Please join us in saying thank you to our FP Financial Team!

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Jennifer became interested in Family Promises after discussing the organization with Sarah Caverhill, Board Chairman. The goal of keeping

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families together and providing not only shelter and food, but life skills and mentorship programs, really struck a chord with Jennifer. As the saying goes, "Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish, and you feed him for a lifetime".

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