

Homelessness can seem like an overwhelming problem. Many people wonder what one person or congregation can do to truly make a difference.

Interfaith Coalition is sponsoring a national outreach program to help homeless children and their families here in Whatcom County.

Family Promise of Whatcom County provides a way for our community to work together to help homeless families. Each host congregation participating in the program provides overnight lodging and meals for three to five families (up to 14 persons) for one week, (four times per year) on a rotating basis. Guests stay in each congregation from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily. Each morning guests are taken to the Family Promise Day Center where they meet with the Director, care for pre-school children, make phone calls to seek housing and employment.

Families with children make up the fastest growing segment of the homeless population. Usually, over half of the guests in the program are children, and most of the children are under the age of six. Nationally, more than 6,000 congregations participate in Family Promise with tens of thousands of volunteers who are the foundation of the program and help families regain their independence.

There are various ways you can become involved in Family Promise and make a difference in the lives of families who have suffered the ordeal of losing their home.

Church of the Assumption is excited to be a host congregation for this important ministry. Please indicate your area of interest on the form on the other side. The commitment is for one week, up to four times per year.

For more info visit: https://familypromisewhatcom.org/

Or email: familypromise@assumption.org





## I will assist Family Promise in the following ways: (Mark as many as you'd like)

Dinner & Evening Volunteer (5:30 pm - 8:30 pm)
Overnight Volunteer (8:30 pm - 6:00 am)
Breakfast and sack lunch Volunteer (6:00 am - 7:00 am)
Sunday Afternoon Setup (beds, tables, room dividers)
Sunday Cleanup (7:00 am - beds ready for pickup)
Help with Laundry (towels and sheets)
Donate non-perishable food items (cereals, snacks, juice, coffee, tea, etc.) for the Day Center
Volunteer at the Family Promise Day Center (weekends)
Tutor Subject/ Grade level:/
Help Coordinate Family Promise Fundraising Efforts
Other:
I would like more information
Name
Phone
Email
I am a member of the(parish or school
group) who may be interested in sponsoring days of meals.