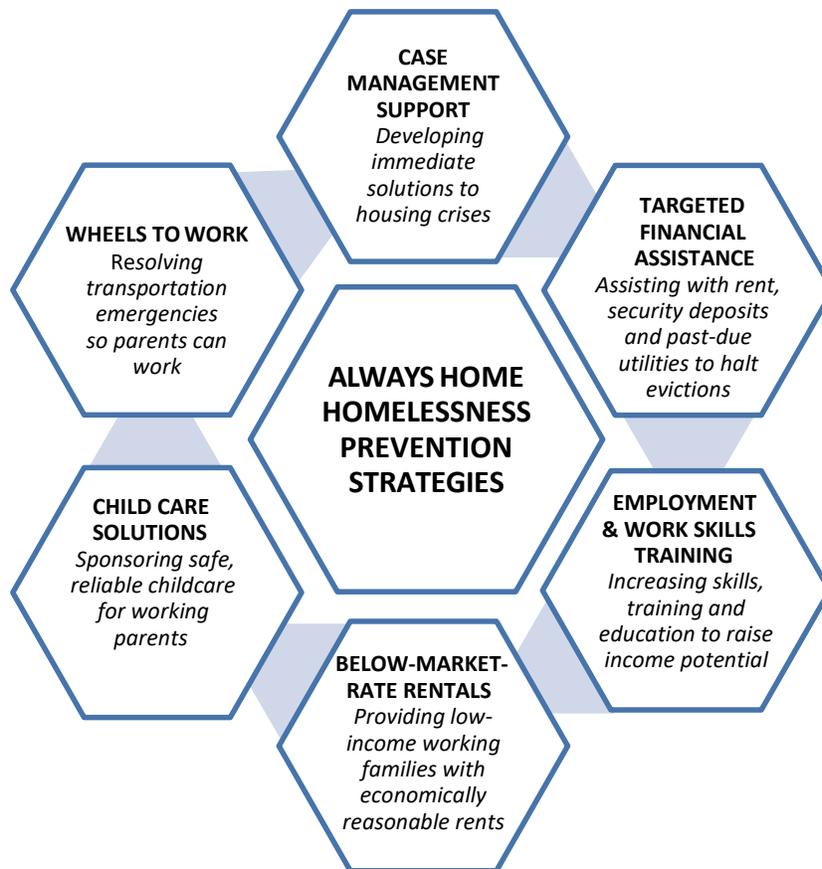




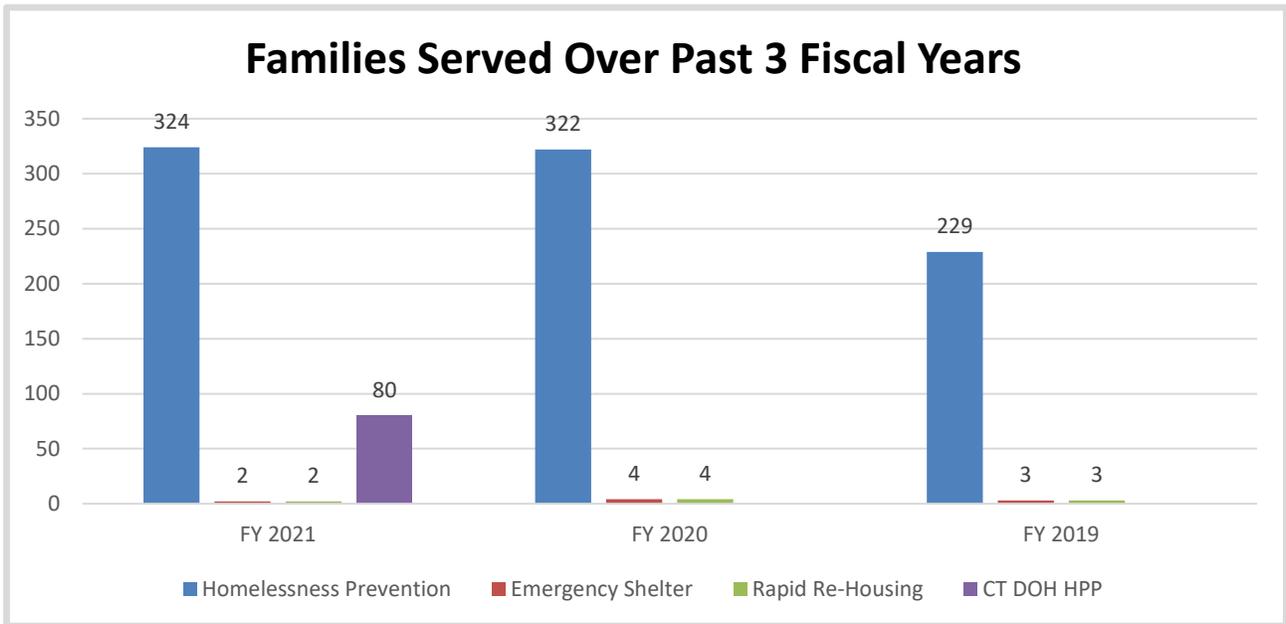
**Year in Review FY 2021**  
*July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021*

Always Home, Inc. was founded in 1998 to address the needs of Eastern Connecticut’s homeless and at-risk families. Our mission is ***Preventing Family Homelessness***. As the region’s leading non-profit service provider dedicated exclusively to serving families with children, we provide parents with the tools they need to overcome their housing crisis and create a path forward.

Since our founding, Always Home has helped over 2,400 families achieve housing stability through pioneering homelessness prevention services. We focus on eliminating the core barriers that contribute to housing instability so families can build lasting security. The strategies below form the cornerstone of our efforts to reduce the number of households falling into homelessness.



Year-over-year data shows that preventing an episode of homelessness costs less than emergency sheltering and re-housing, and results in better outcomes for families. In Fiscal Year 2021, Always Home provided assistance to 326 families who needed a hand-up during the pandemic. Through early and proactive intervention, 324 families (99%) avoided evictions, emergency shelter or homelessness. Only 2 families required short-term sheltering and were re-housed within 14 days.



*Note: Families sheltered are same families re-housed*

The families Always Home served in FY 2021 were comprised of 988 family members including 577 minor children. These families live at or near the Federal Poverty Level, struggling to afford Connecticut’s costly rental housing market on their minimum wage jobs. Most spend more than 30% of their take-home pay on rent, leaving little for rainy day savings and other basic needs. A total of 244 of these families were single-parent households trying to make ends meet on one low income. Additionally, Always Home provided screening and case management support to an additional 80 households (individuals and families) as part of the Connecticut Department of Housing’s Homeless Prevention Program (HPP), a statewide initiative to reduce COVID-related evictions and reliance on the emergency shelter system.

At Always Home, we see too many parents who experienced homelessness when they were young. By helping parents avoid homelessness today and create a more resilient future for their children, Always Home strives to break this cycle of generational homelessness.

Always Home would not be able to provide these critical services without generous community support. We are deeply grateful to the many philanthropic individuals, businesses, granting foundations, state and municipal agencies, local Rotaries and non-profit clubs, the faith-based community and countless volunteers who together contributed over \$650,000 in support of Always Home’s mission.

