

Year in Review FY 2025 July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Mission Statement

Always Home believes that every child needs and deserves a safe place to call home. Our goal is Preventing Family Homelessness across Eastern Connecticut. Always Home works alongside low-income families, providing parents opportunities to improve stability and enhance well-being. By addressing the causes of housing insecurity, we strive to protect minor children from the trauma of eviction, homelessness or emergency shelter.

Always Home was founded in 1998 to address the needs of Eastern Connecticut's housing insecure families. We are the region's leading non-profit service provider dedicated exclusively to serving families with minor children. Our programs are designed to provide families with the support and resources they need to navigate a housing crisis. Our primary goal is to prevent family homelessness *before* it happens, ensuring that children are spared the disruption and trauma of losing their home. Always Home is an integral part of Connecticut's homelessness response system. As a recognized 2-1-1 social service agency and a designated Family Intake Coordinator for the Eastern Coordinated Access Network, we offer families who are homeless or within 14 days of homelessness alternatives to shelter and a path to better housing stability.

The strategies below form the cornerstone of our efforts to reduce the number of households being evicted and falling into homelessness.







Connecticut is facing a critical affordable housing crisis. Rising rent prices, a shortage of affordable housing units, and increasing competition for available homes and apartments are ongoing challenges that force low-income families into situations of housing insecurity. More families have a high housing cost-burden and are struggling to stay housed. From July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025, Always Home served 479 families in housing crisis (1,597 family members including 894 children under the age of 18); 76 percent of these families were single-parent households.



Always Home's work would not be possible without the generous support of our community. We are deeply grateful to our volunteer Board of Directors, philanthropic individuals, businesses, foundations, state and local government entities, local Rotary and non-profit clubs, the faith-based community and countless volunteers. Together, they have helped raised over \$900,000 to further our mission in Fiscal Year 2025

