

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the 100 Day Challenge?

The 100 Day Challenge is an initiative to house 100 Nashville-area families who are experiencing homelessness in 100 Days.

When is the 100 Day Challenge? August 28 to December 9

The 100 Day Challenge begins on August 28 and is scheduled to wrap up on December 9. However, the work will continue after the 100 Day period ends. The organizations involved have committed to use best practices learned through the challenge to serve families going forward.

Why is now the time to embark on this initiative?

Despite Nashville's rapid growth, more than 400 families are currently awaiting housing support. This challenge is an opportunity for our partner organizations to work even closer together, using the latest best practices in supporting families experiencing homelessness to become more efficient, collaborative and serve families faster.

What happens after the challenge?

The organizations will use data and practices from the 100 Day Challenge to inform an ongoing strategy with an ultimate goal of clearing the waiting list and making family homelessness a rare occurrence in our community.

What organizations are involved in the 100 Day Challenge?

The 100 Day Challenge is led by United Way of Greater Nashville, The Family Collective and Safe Haven Family Shelter in partnership with more than 25 community organizations (listed below) and Built for Zero.

Bethlehem Center Martha
Catholic Charities Mary P
Community Care Fellowship MDHA
The Contributor Metro
HERO Program w/ MNPS Mental

Mary Parrish Center MDHA Metro Action Commission Mental Health Cooperative

Martha O'Bryan Center

Metro Public Health Dept. Metro Social Services Morning Star Nashville Rescue Mission Oasis Center Office of Homeless Services Open Table Nashville Operation Stand Down TN Park Center

The Salvation Army
Step Up
St. Luke's Community House

Room In The Inn

sis Center People Loving Nashville YWCA

What is The Family Collective?

<u>The Family Collective</u> is a systems change initiative of United Way of Greater Nashville dedicated to preventing and ending family homelessness in Middle Tennessee. They do this by convening over 30 partners in five counties to not only address families' individual and immediate needs but also help them gain the skills and resources to become self-sufficient in the long term.

What is Safe Haven Family Shelter?

<u>Safe Haven Family Shelter</u> is the premier shelter-to-housing program in Middle Tennessee that accommodates families experiencing homelessness. Safe Haven leads our community's efforts to house, support, empower and advocate for families experiencing homelessness.

What is Built for Zero?

<u>Built for Zero</u> is a national movement of <u>Community Solutions</u> committed to measurably and equitably ending homelessness. Built for Zero has selected Nashville as a national model to eliminate family homelessness in a community.

How can I show my support?

Serving more families requires more resources, from funds for staffing to affordable housing options and even basic household items

- Monetary donations can be made through the Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee. (link coming soon)
- Donations of new household items (e.g. new linens, etc.) and toiletries are welcome. Email donations@safehaven.org to arrange a donation.
- Encourage landlords and property owners you know to support this initiative and provide affordable housing options. Contact Brittney at bbrown@safehaven.org or 615.524.0720 with potential housing partner information.