MISSION: TO END HOMELESSNESS, IMPACT POVERTY, AND REMOVE BARRIERS TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY FOR THE FAMILIES WE SERVE.

TRENDS AND THE IMPACT ON OUR PROGRAM

For the past five years, half of the homeless in KC have been families. The Rapid Re-housing model is a PROVEN COST-EFFECTIVE SOLUTION to ending homelessness nationally.

Minimum wage: Wage needed to afford fair-market rent
Cost to house family of 3 at Community LINC: Cost per year not housing family of 3

HOMELESS

6 months 1 year 18 months 3 years
Average wait time in KC for subsidized housing Average wait time in KC for Section 8 housing

IMPACT OF OUR PROGRAM

SERVED:
- 4,000 families
- 11,800 individuals
- 8,500 children

IN 2014
- Moved in with friends or family
- 2013 was the best year since 2007 for increases in client taxable income and for the percent of families exiting above the poverty level.

FROM 2008–2014
- Did not become homeless again
- From 2008-2014, 94% of the families served have not become homeless again.

KEYS TO OUR SUCCESS

- Careful screening that we serve the most vulnerable homeless families.
- Program model that is A HAND UP, not a hand out.
- A Rapid Re-housing model, which REDUCES COST-PER-FAMILY SERVED BY $11,585 A YEAR.
- CORE COMPETENCIES in housing, employment services, coaching, budgeting, mental wellness counseling, life skills training, and exposure to healthy lifestyles.