

YOUR IMPACT:

Crossroads Rhode Island

**Homelessness is
a devastating reality
for our neighbors.**

Every year, about 4,000 individuals, families and children across Rhode Island experience homelessness. The vast majority are the working poor.

More than half of all Americans have less than \$1,000 in savings. All it takes is an unexpected bill, illness or job loss for them to become homeless.

**With your help, Crossroads can
be here for these vulnerable people,
for individuals, families and children
who need your kindness!**

Thanks to you, Crossroads is the leading provider of housing and services to the homeless in Rhode Island. Our mission is to help homeless or at-risk individuals and families secure stable homes.

Our **Housing First** philosophy means that we work to move individuals and families out of shelter and into permanent housing as quickly as possible. From that secure foundation, caseworkers then provide the support needed to address the underlying issues that caused them to become homeless.

With your support, Crossroads makes sure homelessness is temporary. But we can't stop there ... **Help Lead the Way to End Homelessness in Rhode Island!**



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Together, We Are **ENDING** Homelessness

At Crossroads, our aim is to end homelessness in Rhode Island!!

We believe it's possible because securing stable housing is the first step of each family or individual's journey to self sufficiency.

Once we've placed individuals and families in long-term housing, we connect them to programs and services that address the reasons they became homeless in the first place. Through your support, we provide education and employment programs, and we refer people to mental and physical healthcare and substance abuse services, if needed.

Thanks to your support, more than 90 percent of those who experience homelessness in Rhode Island ultimately achieve self-sufficiency and never become homeless again!

Since 1894, Crossroads has been there for our most vulnerable neighbors in Rhode Island.

Each year, Crossroads provides services to approximately 3,000 people, the majority of whom are women and children.

Thanks to the support of compassionate and generous neighbors like you, hundreds of Rhode Islanders each year are no longer homeless!

You bring hope to neighbors in need!



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Emergency Shelter

Crossroads provides shelter for people in crisis who need a place to stay right now.

In the dead of winter, when fleeing domestic violence, or when a job ends abruptly — that's when people are most vulnerable.

Crossroads provides five emergency shelters, tailored to the diverse needs of individuals and families — and aimed at helping them transition to long-term housing and stability.

With your support, emergency shelter is provided to **more than 2,400 individuals and families experiencing homelessness each year**. From there, we help them find long-term housing and the support to get back on their feet.

But more individuals and families face unexpected crisis each day, so we need you to ...

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You were there for HELEN and LEE!

Helen and Lee walked 14 miles in a snowstorm. They were turned away from several shelters because they're a same-sex couple. But at Crossroads they found a warm welcome.

"Being on the street is the scariest thing," remembers Helen, "especially as a couple, especially as two women. We had never been homeless before."

"Crossroads got us into the women's shelter and gave us resources," she said.

But in order to make sure Helen and Lee won't become homeless again, they'll need more ... employment, permanent housing, education, the support of caring neighbors like you .

Will you lead the way to help people like Helen and Lee rebuild their lives and achieve self-sufficiency?



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Domestic Violence Program

Domestic violence is one of the leading causes of homelessness for women.

Crossroads Rhode Island operates the largest domestic violence shelter in the state, providing safe, emergency shelter for up to 25 women and children. Our 24-hour helpline and transitional housing create a bridge that helps women start a new, safe, healthy life. Intensive case management ensures women have access to physical and mental healthcare, as well as employment skills and support.

With your support, Crossroads responds to over **1,000 hotline calls** and helps more than **150 domestic violence survivors and children** each year. As a result, women can break the cycle of violence and find stable long-term housing.

Every day more women and children need help to escape violence, so we need you to ... **Help Lead the Way to End Homelessness in Rhode Island!**



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You were there for ANGELA!

Angela was young and in love, but after she got pregnant things changed. Her boyfriend became controlling and abusive. He would barely let her leave the house and made her sleep on the floor like a dog. He even put a gun in her mouth and threatened to kill her — and he physically abused their daughter.

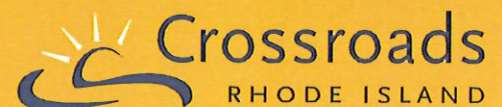
Through Crossroads, Angela developed a plan to get away from her boyfriend. A caseworker helped her determine the best way to get herself and her daughter to safety, as quickly as possible.

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Our **Housing First** philosophy, nationally recognized as the most effective way to end homelessness, helps Crossroads move individuals and families into permanent housing as quickly as possible. Then, we provide a variety of supports to help them stay housed.

Thanks to your vital support, Crossroads owns or manages more than 350 residences statewide and maintains strong relationships with local landlords. This allows us to quickly identify the best housing solutions for every household, including single adults, couples, and families with children.

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You were there for KELLY!

Like many people, Kelly never thought she and her daughter Emily would be homeless. She was 38 years old and living paycheck to paycheck. When she lost her job and her home, she had nowhere else to turn.

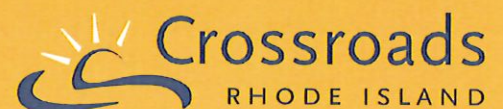
Through Crossroads Rhode Island, Kelly developed a relationship with a caring caseworker who helped her to make a plan for moving forward and to get the support she and Emily needed.

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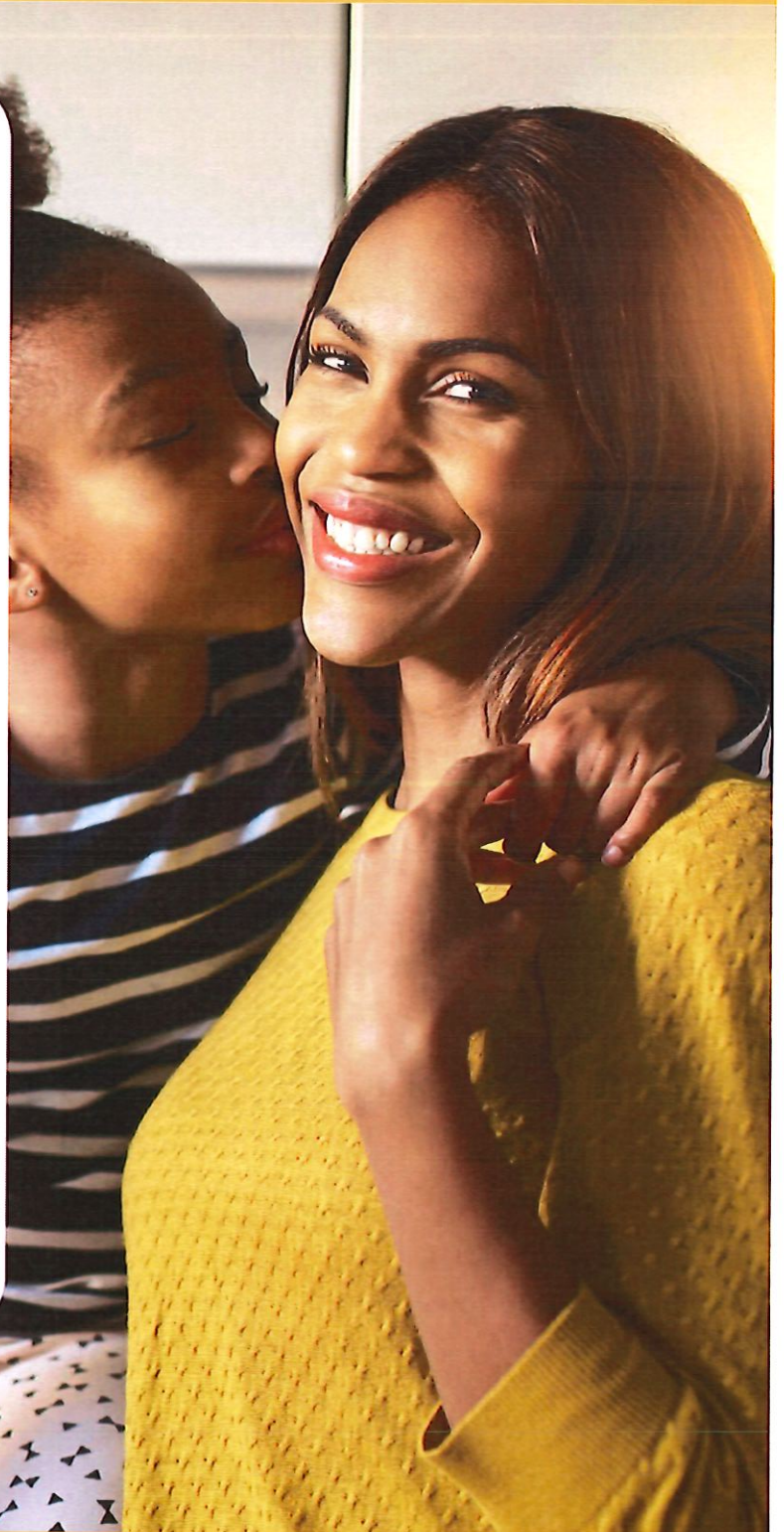
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