

Family Stability Housing Programs

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Harford County Family Homelessness Prevention Program at Magnolia Elementary

Family Stability focuses on lifting families out of crisis and moving them to self-sufficiency through homelessness prevention, shelter diversion, workforce development and financial education. Led by United Way of Central Maryland, Family Stability programs were seeded with a grant from the Siemer Institute for Family Stability and is made possible by generous donors. For more information, visit www.uwcm.org/family.

The Harford County Family Homelessness Prevention Program at Magnolia Elementary is operated out of Magnolia Elementary School in partnership with Harford County Public Schools. The program launched in July 2016.

Program Goals:

- To help families stay housed
- To support families so their children can remain in their current schools
- To provide families with additional tools to maintain self-sufficiency

Program Services:

Parents in the program receive:

- **Case Management:** Work one-on-one with a case manager to assess the family's strengths, create a family goal plan and connect to additional community resources. Intensive case management is provided for six to nine months, with up to three months of aftercare
- **Financial Assistance:** Receive short-term financial assistance so families can remain housed and children can succeed in school. Financial assistance is flexible and is determined by individual family needs
- **Workshops:**
 1. Home energy saving workshops that teach ways to reduce utility bills
 2. Financial education workshops offered in partnership with Baltimore CASH campaign



Eligibility Requirements:

The **Harford County Family Stability Program at Magnolia Elementary** prevention program serves families who:

- Are at risk of losing permanent housing
- Have at least one school-age child enrolled in Magnolia Elementary School with a registered address in the 21040 or 21085 zip codes.
- Have an income less than 50 percent of the area's annual median income level (i.e. for a family of four living in Baltimore City, the total annual median income must be below \$44,200/year)
- Demonstrate an ability to sustain their monthly expenses
- Have financial assistance needs that can be met with available funding
- Are willing to participate in case management and meet program responsibilities

Family Stability Partners for the Harford County Family Homelessness Prevention Program are:



To find out if you're eligible for the program, please contact the Family Stability Case Manager at 443-970-8128.

For general questions about Family Stability at United Way, please call 410-547-8000.