

Open the Door to School, Training or Employment for a Child, Youth or Individual Today.

Every \$75 donation prepares a child or youth for school or helps purchase work required clothing and equipment for those getting a job.



Whether you are a youth, a family or an adult, homelessness is a crisis. The things we take for granted are sometimes the things that have the most impact...like getting new school supplies and clothing to start off the school year right. Nothing makes a child or youth feel better than new school clothes and new school supplies. Your generosity can make that

first day of school as special for the kids in our Family Center as every other child. Your gifts can also make a difference for our adults and older youth who are getting jobs and need special shoes or boots, clothing or tools to get employed. That job is the door to self-esteem and self-sufficiency. You have the power to make it happen!

YES. I want to help provide new school supplies, job-related clothing and tools and bring life-changing programs to individuals, families and youth facing homelessness!

Enclosed is my gift of:

- _____ \$75 Helps 1 child, youth or individual
- _____ \$150 Helps 2 children, youths or individuals
- _____ \$ To help as much as possible!
- _____ Please use my gift where it is needed most

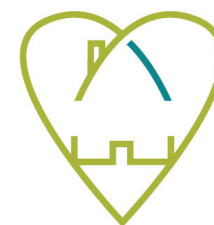
Every \$75 helps a child, youth or individual with life-changing services.



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Please say Yes! Your gift goes beyond just food and shelter and helps build lives of stability and self-sufficiency.



ST. FRANCIS HOUSING CRISIS CENTER and
PORT IN THE STORM HOMELESS YOUTH CENTER
Programs of St. Augustine Society

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Through Our Door

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No Place to Go... But Here!

When the landlord raised their rent, Jake, Shelly and their son had no place to go.

Jake and Shelly were doing OK. Not great, but OK. They both had jobs. A friend watched their 7-year-old daughter Ashley during the summer so that they could both work. They were saving what they could. But what they had not planned for is being told by their landlord that their rent was going up....a lot. Even with both working they could not afford the increase. When they couldn't find a place that they could afford, and their savings ran out, the only option they had was their car or St. Francis House. Thanks to your generosity this family was saved from the streets because of our shelter.

Jake and Shelly were able to keep their jobs because of the St. Francis House Family shelter. Simple things like being able to take showers and wash their clothes made that possible. Their case manager worked with them to create a budget and a plan to get them back in to housing. They



Your generosity saved this family from the streets.

wanted to give Ashley the security of a home and her own bed before school started. While at the shelter their immediate needs were met, which enabled them to put all their efforts into saving and locating a place to live. Like other parents, Jake and Shelly wanted to give their child a safe place to live. The comprehensive programs at St. Francis House, that YOU provide for people like Jake and Shelly keep families together, giving them hope and helping them pursue the lives they dream of. Because of your generosity, Jake and Shelly and Ashley will be in their own place before school starts. YOU are helping keep families safe and making dreams come true.

St. Johns County's only comprehensive housing crisis and homeless youth center. Providing housing-focused solutions for homeless men, women, children and youth in St. Johns County.

You Gave Todd a Port in the Storm

Todd knew it was coming. He knew that as soon as he turned 18 he would be on his own. What he didn't know is how your generous support of Port in the Storm Homeless Youth Center would affect his life.

Even when he was still at home, he spent a lot of his time roaming the streets. He felt lucky though. At least no one was abusing him like some other kids he knew. They just didn't care – maybe that was worse. None of his friends could take him in. So, when his 18th birthday came, he was officially and completely homeless. Todd



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Every day more lives are touched by your generosity.

had a part time job. But he knew it wouldn't last long if he couldn't even take a shower. While on the streets one day, Todd met the SOS – Youth Street Outreach Team. They told him about Port in the Storm Homeless Youth Center. While he wasn't quite sure about going to a center for help, he figured it had to be better than his current situation. He was surprised to find a bunch of kids around his age there, a shower, food, a place to wash his clothes and people

who listened. For the first time in a long time, he didn't feel alone. Alone is a terrible place when you are 18 with the adult world staring you in the face and no idea how to survive. Thanks to your support Port in the Storm is here for Todd and others like him who have lost hope and have nowhere to turn. Every day more lives are touched by your generosity at Port in the Storm. You are saving our kids!

Your Helping Hand is All it Took

For our neighbors living from paycheck to paycheck, an accident can result in homeless. Your gifts kept John off the streets and helped him return to health and housing.

Construction is everywhere in St. Johns County. If you know how to swing a hammer and are dependable, you can work. That was John. He worked hard and went to work every day. Because rent is so high in St. Johns County he shared a place with another guy. Sharing a place is the only way to survive. But everything changed when he had an accident. While he was in the hospital his roommate

Your support made it possible for John and Zach to avoid the streets and get back on their feet.



stole his tools and most of his belongings leaving him homeless and without the tools of his trade. His only option was the street or St. Francis House. John was a worker, a survivor, not a homeless guy! How did I get here, he thought? Just bad luck. Within a few weeks he was strong enough to go back to work and start saving money for a place to live. Your gifts helped purchase the things he needed

to get back to work. While at the shelter he met Zack, who also needed a roommate. Together they were able to find a place and become independent again. Such a simple thing. Your gifts were the difference between a desperate situation and hope. Your generous gifts made it possible for John and Zack to avoid the streets, overcome the challenges of homelessness and get back on their feet.

Volunteers Positions Open

Our kitchen manager needs your help.

- Assistance with weekend meals.
- Assistance with Kitchen Management tasks.

Contact Marketing/Volunteer Coordinator, Robert Harris at Robert.harris@stfrancisshelter.org for more information.

Wish List

Men's T-shirts
Back Packs
Bug Spray
Men's Underwear/
Boxers (M)
Wash Clothes
Deodorant
Cough Drops

Ibuprophen/Advil
Tylenol
Mashed potato
Flakes
Milk
Eggs
Coffee Creamer

Visit our website at stfrancisshelter.org

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