

# How Many Households Are Struggling?

Across Wisconsin, 42 percent of all households struggle to afford the basic necessities of housing, child care, healthcare, food, and transportation.

Brown County statistics (*United Way ALICE report for Wisconsin*) show that even when families are employed, 49 percent of those families earn less than the basic cost of living and are still at risk of losing their housing.

## About EPH

Ecumenical Partnership for Housing (EPH) is a partnership of 20 area churches, with a mission to serve homeless families within our community.

After successful transitional housing and long-term supportive housing programs, EPH has implemented a *Prevention Initiative* in an effort to prevent homelessness –

to prevent the trauma of eviction. EPH partners with local landlords to assist tenants with rent and utility payments, budget counseling, resume building, job searches, and much more.



# Partnership Churches

Bethel Evangelical Lutheran  
Calvary Lutheran  
First United Methodist  
First United Presbyterian of De Pere  
Good Shepherd Lutheran  
Grace Lutheran  
Nativity of Our Lord Parish  
Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic  
Resurrection Catholic  
St. Anne's Episcopal  
St. Bernard Catholic  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic  
St. Francis Xavier Parish  
St. Mary Catholic  
St. Matthew Parish  
St. Norbert College Parish  
St. Paul's Episcopal  
St. Paul's United Methodist  
Suamico United Methodist  
Union Congregational UCC



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***“Give Them Roots and Create Wings”***

# EVICTION PREVENTION



**Help  
Reduce  
Homelessness**

**If you are a tenant interested in:**

- *Working with your landlord*
- *Being a responsible renter*
- *Not being evicted*

**If you are a landlord interested in:**

- *Reducing evictions*
- *Helping families achieve housing stability*
- *Reducing homelessness in our community*
- *Reducing turnover cost*



**This program may be for you...**

## *The EPH Eviction Prevention Program aims to partner with local landlords to provide:*

- Financial stability and solutions for families at risk of eviction.
- A collaborative approach to ensuring housing stability.

### Benefits of Prevention

- Landlords save money by not evicting tenants.
- Landlords eliminate gaps in rental income.
- Families avoid moving and potential homelessness.
- Children retain the stability of a home.
- Children remain in a familiar school setting.
- Family stability reduces poverty, homelessness, and trauma.
- The cost of prevention is less than the cost of homelessness.

### Steps to Get Started

- Complete and send the Landlord/Tenant Referral Form to EPH.
- EPH will discuss the situation with both tenant and landlord.
- EPH will complete an assessment with the family.
- EPH will evaluate a family's eligibility, readiness, and potential support resources.
- If eligible, EPH will partner with you and your tenant to maintain housing stability.

Holly Keyser and Lee Werner are available to work with families to discuss the Eviction Prevention Program



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