

HOME OF THE SPARROW

HOUSING / EDUCATION / SUPPORT

2025-2026 IMPACT REPORT

ONE GIFT.
Four Ways to Change Lives.

Your Gift Does More Than Keep a Roof Overhead

Your generosity does more than help a woman keep her home. It helps her and her children get the support they need to build a more stable future.

At Home of the Sparrow, we take the time to listen, understand each woman's circumstances, and determine what will truly help. Sometimes that means financial assistance; sometimes it means connecting her with community resources. Often, it takes a combination of both.

Your unrestricted gift gives us the flexibility to respond to these individual needs. Here is one example of how a recent $5,000 unrestricted gift made a difference.

Supporting emotional well-being — $1,800

Five women and four children received access to mental health professionals to work through challenges, develop coping skills, and strengthen their emotional well-being. Access to this care helped them address their trauma that can affect every part of their lives.

Making room for joy — $500

Three children of program participants who are receiving mental health services attended a Philadelphia Eagles preseason game. For these youth, it was more than a football game. It was a chance to feel included and simply be kids for a day—creating positive memories they might not otherwise have had the opportunity to experience.





Prevention Means Helping Before A Crisis

Every day, women in Chester County are working, raising children, and doing everything they can to make ends meet while facing housing costs that often require more than 50% of their income. For many, the difference between staying housed and becoming homeless can be just one unexpected expense, one missed paycheck, or one rent increase away.

Thanks to our wonderful donors, Home of the Sparrow is able to provide rental assistance paid directly to landlords, trauma-informed case management, and advocacy to help single women and mothers with children remain safely housed and build a more stable future.

At Home of the Sparrow, women receive the support they need to achieve their goals including opportunities to increase their income through job training and continuing education. In addition, they learn budgeting skills to better manage expenses.

We have learned that a woman who is given time to regain her footing has a much better chance of creating lasting stability for herself and her children. Last year, your gifts made this possible for 379 women and their 524 children. Rest assured that your gift allows us to do so much more and the impact is life changing. I cannot thank you enough.

Michelle E. Venema
Chief Executive Officer

FINANCIAL *PERFORMANCE*

FYE 6/30/2026

TOTAL ASSETS:
$2,646,662

TOTAL LIABILITIES:
$385,957

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:
$1,886,672

INCOME BY TYPE:	
Contributions	66%
Government	12%
Events	9%
Gifts-in-Kind	7%
Miscellaneous	6%

EXPENSE BY TYPE:	
Programming	83%
Fundraising	12%
Administration	5%

IMPACT *BEYOND HOUSING*

$44,971	Paid to subsidize 11 weeks of summer camp for 35 children; 21 families
$4,725	Distributed in grocery store gift cards for Thanksgiving
66	Number of children who received winter coats
$41,790	Spent to subsidize 119 mental health appointments for 21 women and 4 children
$17,817	Value of household and personal care items distributed to women via the Giving Garage
98	Number of children who received back to school supplies worth over $6,000
168	Number of women and children who received gifts during the holiday drive

ONE GIFT. *(Continued)*

Helping children start the school year strong — $1,400



Children received full backpacks and enjoyed a back-to-school picnic with a snacks, face painting, fairy hair, pizza, and ice cream. They left feeling prepared, celebrated, and excited about the school year ahead.



Keeping a woman's future within reach — $1,300

One woman received tuition assistance to complete her community college semester. This support removed a financial barrier at a critical moment, allowing her to continue her education and work toward her goals.

One gift. Individual needs. Meaningful change.

Each example reflects the same commitment - listening to women and children, understanding what stands in their way, and finding a thoughtful way to help.

Your unrestricted gift gives us the flexibility to look beyond the immediate housing crisis, respond to individual needs, and help women and children build more stable futures.

Thank you for trusting Home of the Sparrow to put your dollars to work where it can make an immediate and meaningful difference.

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"My daughter loved her time at summer camp. She actually made friends with a girl who is in her class this year. It was a nice feeling to send her off on her first day of school with a new bookbag filled with supplies. Thank you Home of the Sparrow for helping me with not just rent, but all of these extras!"

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Every donation matters!

There are many ways to financially support the women served by Home of the Sparrow:

- *Scan the QR code to make an online gift today.*
- *Check with your employer; are your gifts matched?*
- *Send a gift from your donor advised fund.*
- *Make a gift of stock or securities.*

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Questions? *Call or email Kathleen Sanger, Director of Development 610-647-4940 or ksanger@homeofthesparrow.org*

Every action makes a difference!

Donating in-kind gifts provides essential extras like household and personal care items, school supplies, new coats, and holiday gifts.

Scan the QR code to learn more about in-kind giving and volunteer opportunities!

Thank you!



Please visit our website or use this QR code to see the 1,000+ names of the individuals, companies, businesses, schools and organizations who supported our mission between July 2025 and June 2026.

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