



FIRST STEPS HOUSING PROJECT

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OVERVIEW OF FUNDED PARTNER

First Steps Housing Project focuses on giving moms and babies a better start by providing a safe and healthy place to live, educational programs, health services, and unwavering support that they do not currently have in their lives.

IMPACT

Jamie's Story



My name is Jamie and I'm a mother of a 6 month old daughter, that I wouldn't have without FS. I left my parents in Ontario 8 years ago due to neglect. I suffered several mental/physical problems when I was on my own for those years. On Dec 24th I found out that I was pregnant, and had no idea what I would do. I was living in a home that didn't accept babies, and I also got laid off from work. My workers ended up getting in contact with FS, I came for a tour and decided to move in to give my daughter a life I couldn't have given her alone.

I have been here now for 11 months and it has changed our lives dramatically. Without FS, I wouldn't have been able to finally graduate high school, get into collage for Sept 2022, and in the process of second steps. I am so glad I can give my daughter the life I imagined having when I was younger. FS has taught me how to parents, while connecting me to a therapist. I enjoy having house nights with the other mothers and am happy to have found FS.

Building Strong & Healthy Communities

100% of outcomes set with United Way were met or exceeded in 2021.



This is your **Local Love in Action**

2021 Outcomes

100%

of babies were born at a healthy birth weight.

84%

of women advanced their education at the First Steps School.

76%

of First Steps residents are parenting without child protection intervention

Your Local Love

United Way Funding

\$100,000

People Served

69

Program Interactions

10,000



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