

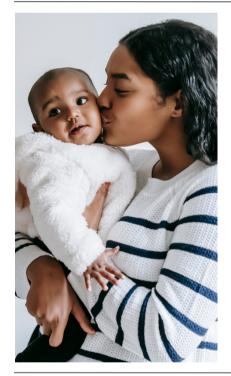
### FIRST STEPS HOUSING PROJECT

#### Powered by United Way, Saint John, Kings & Charlotte

## **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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