



THE PROVIDENCE PERSPECTIVE

MISSION: Providing a faith-based transitional housing and self-sufficiency program for motivated women with young children who are homeless or at risk of being homeless.

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Illuminating the path to independence...

Fall 2016

In Her Own Words...

Crystal 2018 -Program Participant

Crystal moved into Providence House this past July with her two year old daughter. In this short amount of time her courage, strength, and desire to



become the best mother she can be is evident in her actions to embrace the services and programs offered. Here is her story.

“Never having a place to truly call home, Providence House gave us that opportunity. From a broken marriage to a dysfunctional family unit, I never considered either one of them home.

I was ready to give up, to throw in the towel. My husband was incarcerated and set to be on the next plane back to Haiti. I was

working two jobs and raising a 2 year old on my own. If that wasn't hard enough, we were living in an unsafe, overcrowded, dysfunctional house with relatives. Ever since we moved in I was being emotionally and verbally abused by someone I considered family. I reached my breaking point, when an old high school friend reached out to me and suggested Providence House would be perfect considering my situation. At that moment I knew I couldn't give up because I had my daughter counting on me. My mom once told me that “God will open doors you never knocked on.” Providence House welcomed us with open arms.

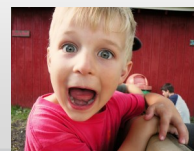
I thought I cried all the tears I had to cry until our first night in our new apartment. I cried tears of joy. To look around and see a furnished house with everything we needed just for my daughter and me. I was beyond thankful. We went from sleeping on a love seat to sleeping in our own beds. Not only were we provided a new home, we gained a new family. Without Providence House I don't know where we would be. But I now know I don't have to be frightened of change. I can say goodbye to the past and hello to our future. Now I can become someone my daughter can be proud of. With the help of Providence House we now have a chance at a brand new start at life. With that, I thank you for the opportunity.”

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Thank you!

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I thank you for making this possible!