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Pathway to Self-Sufficiency



The Beginning

Jubilee Home



*Over the course of their stay, the families receive case work in partnership with **Salvation Army** and other community organizations such as **Catholic Charities**.*



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Four congregations formed EPH in 1992

They joined together, acting on **compassion, kindness and faith**, to **support homeless families** on their path to **self-sufficiency** in the Green Bay community.

For 25 years, EPH has accomplished this by purchasing and maintaining homes where families work toward self-sufficiency

EPH relies solely on the generosity of its members and the community.



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Our Mission



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to provide

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Transitional Housing Home



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Transitional Housing

Shelter

Transitional

**LTSH, Rapid
Rehousing**



- Usually for families requesting additional support after shelter
- A stay of 6-24 months depending on family situation at no cost to the family
- 20 scattered site homes owned by EPH, case managed by The Salvation Army
- Collaborative goals related to budget counseling/debt reduction, employment, education, medical, life skills, and spiritual health

Family Transitional Housing in Our Community

(Based on December, 2016 BCHHC Data)

	EPH/ TSA	FSC	FS	FHM	Oneida	Total
Families served	22	8	6	7	3	46
	48%	17%	13%	15%	7%	
Children served	43	15	6	11	6	81
	53%	19%	7%	14%	7%	

Affordable Housing Challenges



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Families are increasingly finding it difficult to access safe and affordable housing.

- ✓ Employed – but earning less than an affordable living wage
- ✓ Landlords screening out families with a history of eviction or credit history
 - ✓ Landlords not accepting Housing Choice Vouchers
 - ✓ Higher occupancy rates and higher rents



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Alice in Brown County:

Brown County has a deficiency of 10,376 affordable and available units, where renters are paying more than 30% of their income on housing-related costs.

Brown County United Way

2-1-1 Call Center Data:

Calls for shelter, housing, and rent support made up 18.4% of all 2-1-1 calls in 2016.



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EPH launched its **Long-term Supportive Housing** Program in 2014



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Long-term Supportive Housing Home

- Working families earning less than 50% area's median income
- Begin at a "rent" based on the family's budget
- Continued case management through multiple partnerships
- Option to purchase



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Chelsea's Journey toward Self-Sufficiency

Shelter

Chelsea and her family enter Golden House, leaving an unhealthy relationship.

After a short stay, given the need for housing stability and case management, Chelsea her children move into an EPH home.



Transitional

Her Salvation Army case managers work on goals such as budget counseling and employment.



After six months of significant progress, her full-time employment was still not enough to be able to secure affordable housing.



Long-term Supportive Housing

Chelsea and her family continued to receive case management and work on their goals.



Chelsea and her family will continue to live in this home. Her long-term plans are to purchase this home from EPH.



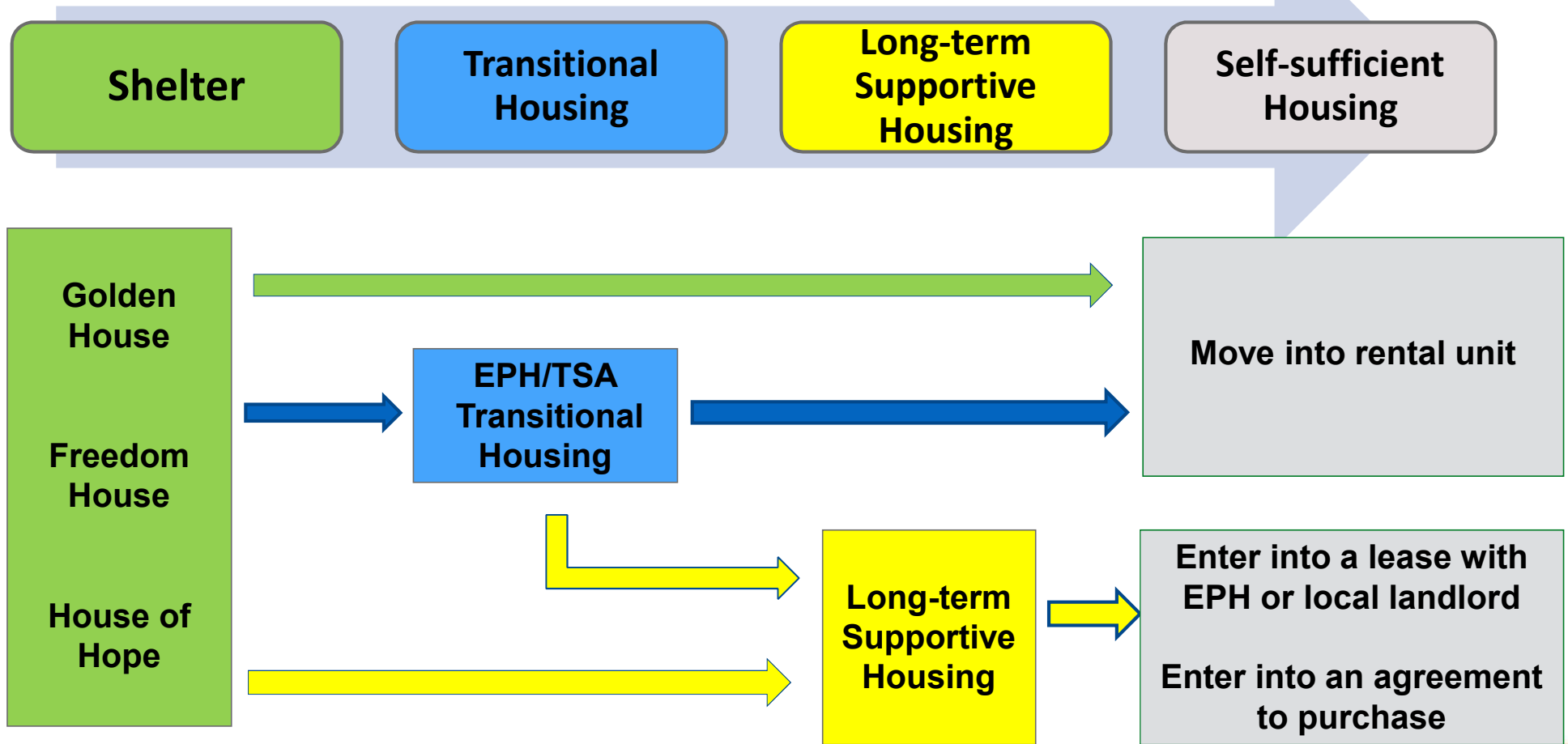
Home Ownership



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EPH Role in the Continuum of Care



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A Thank You Letter

From “MaryAnn”

A family in long-term supportive housing

“I can't begin to express how elated I am to have somewhere for my children and me to call home! It has proven to be by far one of the best things that has happened to my family after being in shelter for six months.

All the searching I did to find a home for my children that was affordable just kept ending in failure.”

A Thank You Letter

From “MaryAnn”

(continued)

“EPH found us somewhere to call home and we were moved in within two months. It truly was a blessing for my family. The kids are loving their rooms and the yard. My children can finally play to their hearts content.

Thank you for all your help in getting us somewhere to call home. Thank you also for helping me get back on track financially over these past few months.”

Current situation ...

More Families Are Experiencing *Multiple Barriers*

- Finding “sustainable living wage” employment
- Securing affordable housing
- Solving transportation & child care challenges
- Struggling with mental health challenges
- Escaping from generational or chronic poverty



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