

TOGETHER WE CAN



OUR GOAL IS TO END CHILD HOMELESSNESS IN WINTER HAVEN BY DECEMBER 31, 2030



Heart for Winter Haven



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We believe poverty has been misdiagnosed; it's rooted in broken relationships.

We bring people together through collaborations that restore relationships, build resources, and grow community.



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## THE PROBLEM WE FACE

- Infancy has been identified as the most vulnerable age. to be homeless
- In 2023, **511** homeless children were identified in Winter Haven public schools as being homeless.
- **Polk County saw a 20% increase in homeless students, while Winter Haven stayed flat in 2023.**
- Homeless youth are 346% less likely to finish school or get a GED.
- Mental distress requiring evaluation increases 40% in homeless children.
- 70% of homeless kids say they are uncomfortable sharing their situation and asking for help.

## WE CAN CONQUER THIS TOGETHER!

- Heart for Winter Haven has chosen to focus first on the issue of child homelessness.
- 14 cities in the U.S. have reached “functional zero” homeless with the Community Solutions model.
- We are 1 of over 100 cities now on the way to ZERO homeless.
- **Since 2020, H4WH has helped 576 families escape or avoid homelessness.**
- H4WH seeks to provide 50 units of housing by 2030.

**Please prayerfully consider joining us in this effort! Thank You.**