



Housing that's safe and sustainable. It's our goal, too.

At Bridge of Hope, we open doors to safe and sustainable housing for families.

As a landlord, you hold the keys that can make housing attainable. Working together, we can find effective solutions for safe, stable housing—solutions that yield dependable income for you and a secure place families can call home.



Our Mission:

To engage Christian faith communities in ending family homelessness through neighboring relationships that demonstrate Christ's love.

Support and services mean a reliable tenant.

Combining professional services with connected volunteers means you'll have responsible and *rent-ready* tenants. Each family is matched with a group of well-trained, church-based Neighboring Volunteers who provide tangible support, encouragement and connections to opportunities. Neighboring Volunteers also help mitigate future setbacks so the family retains its home—which helps to keep you on the receiving end of a monthly rent check.

Bridge of Hope empowers families to:

- Locate and secure safe and sustainable housing
- Improve money management and household budgeting
- Find employment and receive job-retention support
- Set personal goals around education/career, family, personal health and wellness and more
- Connect to resources for building strength and resiliency for all family members
- Build a support system for their family

Two-year network-wide average outcomes for families participating in Bridge of Hope



90%
exited with safe and sustainable housing



75%
increased income

Renting to a Bridge of Hope family is good business.

Our diverse services mitigate many of the risks you encounter in renting your properties, making it advantageous to consider a Bridge of Hope family as a tenant. With a dependable renter who has social capital and supports in place through Bridge of Hope, you can benefit from a longer-term relationship that decreases turnover and vacancies, and lower advertising and management costs. You can take less of a chance while maximizing your return.

Higher Income—Our services help families increase their household income and build job skills

Payment Assurance—We cover the security deposit and first month's rent and provide financial assistance for 6+ months on a decreasing need basis

Ongoing Support and Education—We counsel families on budgeting and money management, offer renter education resources and connect families to related training

Assist with Occupancy—We can negotiate a longer-term lease for a prospective family or facilitate immediate occupancy with another family if your current lessee chooses to move

Home Visits—Our regular home visits provide support to build household stability and can alert us to address concerns with the tenant that relate to safety, etc.

Mediation—In the unlikely case when eviction is necessary, Bridge of Hope can work with you and the family, provide mediation and/or encourage relocation



Amelia* left an abusive relationship, determined to provide a stable environment for her three children. The shelters were full and they lived in a hotel room for months until she found Bridge of Hope. While Amelia was looking for housing, a landlord agreed to give her a chance, despite her “lower than ideal” credit rating. Amelia’s Neighboring Volunteers, from a church in her community, helped her move into the new apartment and find furnishings. With Bridge of Hope’s rental assistance over the next seven months, Amelia was able to regroup, stabilize her family and work on budgeting with her case manager. Six months later she moved into a new job with higher pay, and even began a “rainy day” savings account.



Join us in providing a fresh start.

Would you consider:

- Offering rent at a discounted rate to help with affordability
- Contacting Bridge of Hope before advertising a vacancy
- Waiving income and past history requirements with the confidence that Bridge of Hope is committed to helping families achieve stability in all areas, including budget training and income growth for families (*see p. 1*)
- For larger property management companies, consider setting aside a percentage of units that Bridge of Hope families can rent