We are Wake County’s anti-poverty organizations and work with those trying to break their cycle of poverty to create generational self-sufficiency. Each client is in a unique station in life and therefore may not need all our services. Clients can get connected to our programs at any point in the pathway and continue along the journey. Our pathway also offers programming aimed at ending veteran homelessness in Wake County.
Wake County boasts an unemployment rate below 4%. However, in Southeast Raleigh and Eastern Wake--our primary service areas--unemployment is 400% the county average. Eleven percent of Wake residents live below the federal poverty level and 25% live below 200% (individuals earning less than $24,280). People who are unemployed/underemployed lack income stability, jeopardize stable housing, and are at-risk of being thrust into the cycle of poverty. While many afflicted by poverty lack in-demand job skills or education, there are additional obstacles such as transportation, childcare, and an awareness of available resources that contribute to long-term poverty.

94% of U.S. Counties are better than Wake for upward income mobility

56,000 additional housing units needed in Wake County to meet demand

Words From our CEO

This Annual Report is a very small representation of what my predecessor—Jeanne Tedrow—was able to accomplish in our communities. For more than 25 years, Jeanne dedicated her life to helping to lift individuals and families out of poverty. And, while the quantitative stats of her work are impressive, the impact she had on a personal level with countless members of our communities is invaluable and immeasurable. As I begin my journey at Passage Home, I look to form relationships with the community members and staff of Passage Home, who for so long worked together for the betterment of Wake County. With the support of the overall Wake County community, I look to further Passage Home’s reputation as a community leader in developing and operating affordable, supportive housing. The supportive nature of our programs will be based on the strength of our clients, as we help them overcome their barriers to self-sufficiency. Our strength-based approach allows us to capitalize on the unique skills that each one of our clients possesses, leading to an improved self, more diverse workforce, and ultimately a much stronger community.

~ Seth Friedman, CEO
developing people.
Passage Home aims to break the cycle of poverty and create generational self-sufficiency by addressing the whole family (parents and children) with an individualized and comprehensive case management approach. This approach centers around each family creating an action plan containing achievable steps and time-sensitive goals within areas of their family’s need. Stable and safe housing is priority one. When stability is attained or within reach —with input from the client— we create achievable goals that will lead them down the path to self-sufficiency. Goals include but are not limited to accessing mental health resources, acquiring reliable transportation, achieving financial literacy, and enrolling in job training or education services.

Out of Poverty

28 Families Rose Out of Poverty

$11,261 Annual Income Increase per Passage Home Client
developing places.

JOB'S JOURNEY

Healing Transitions

passage home

home
As quality housing becomes less affordable all over Wake County, we work to ensure that individuals and families at every income level have access to safe, stable housing. We work throughout Wake County communities to increase economic opportunity; increase income diversity; and improve, retain, and increase the affordable housing stock.

**Affordable Housing**

![Image of people and houses]

- **136 Units**
- **60% less than avg. Raleigh Rent**
strengthening communities.
When we develop people and places we “Strengthen our Communities”. As neighborhoods improve they attract additional resource including service providers, economic opportunities, and play space — all leading to improved outcomes for everyone in the family. Our goal is to help create the new, ideal urban community where economically, religiously, culturally and racially diverse families live, work and learn together.

Total Served

308 Families
702 Individuals
80 Veterans

12-15 months
Avg. time family enrolled in our case management program
Passage Home’s mission is to break the cycle of poverty for the communities we serve in Wake County. We do this by connecting families and neighborhoods to resources and opportunities and continue to lead the charge on ending poverty in Wake County.

**SELF-SUFFICIENCY IS OUR GOAL**

- **Families rose out of poverty**
  - 2016-17: 23
  - 2017-18: 28
- **Obtained and/or maintained housing**
  - 2016-17: 162
  - 2017-18: 238
- **Families served**
  - 2016-17: 295
  - 2017-18: 307
- **Average annual increase in income**
  - 2016-17: $7,267
  - 2017-18: $11,261

**YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**

- **100%** of seniors graduated HS
- **100%** increased reading skills
- **98%** increased emotional/social well-being
- **93%** promoted to next grade level

**VETERAN SERVICES**

- **80** Veterans Served
- **31%** Maintained/Increased Income
- **25** Obtained/Maintained Housing (90 days)

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

- **21** jobs created
- **66%** professional certificates earned
- **82%** employed 90+ days
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

6 HOUSES
130 APARTMENTS
TOTAL NUMBER OF HOUSING UNITS

ALPHA BAYER GARDEN

- $100k Bayer Crop Science grant recipient
- 75lbs of Kale produced in 30 days
- 100 cubic yards of compost per yr.

VOLUNTEERS

746 VOLUNTEERS
48% INCREASE

6,966 HOURS
19% INCREASE

$114,817 IN-KIND DONATIONS