

Our Impact

35,000+

Hostings since 2003

93%

% of kids who return home

4,500+

Churches Involved

25,000+

Volunteers

108+

Chapters across the country

45

average days of stay

Ways to Engage

There are a several ways you can make Safe Families a ministry of your church!

Become a **Community Lead Church**

Make your support system available to others in the community who do not attend a Safe Families Church.

Become a **Lead Church**

Recruit and support volunteers. This includes recruiting Family Coaches and sponsoring opportunities for Host Families to support each other.

Become a **Participating Church**

Inform and encourage your congregation members to volunteer with Safe Families.



Safe Families
for Children

*Surrounding families in crisis with
caring, compassionate community*

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The
Safe Families
Church



Love in Action

We help families in crisis get back on their feet and keep their families intact.

Founded in 2003, Safe Families for Children is located in 70 cities across the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, and beyond. Safe Families create extended family-like supports for desperate families through a community of devoted volunteers who are motivated by faith to keep children safe and keep families intact.

Families Helping Families

When a crisis strikes, many of us rely on relatives and friends for support. But for some parents, this is not an option. Safe Families seeks to come alongside parents in crisis while they get back on their feet by providing a loving, temporary home for children. Hostings can last for as little as a couple of days to several months.



How does Safe Families works?

Through a network of volunteers, Safe Families host children of at-risk families in approved homes for an average of 6 weeks.

We engage faith communities to recruit and support volunteers. In addition to host families, families in need are connected with a Family Coach and Family Friends. A Family Coach comes alongside families in crisis to help them make the necessary changes to bring stability to their family's life. They can provide guidance in helping someone find work or secure an apartment. Family Friends can provide encouragement and perform small tasks such as babysitting or transportation.

Our Core Values

Radical **Hospitality**
Compassion fueled by **Mercy**
Disruptive **Generosity**

Our 3 Objectives

1. Keep children safe during a family crisis such as homelessness, hospitalization, or domestic violence in an effort to prevent child abuse and/or neglect.
2. Support, and stabilize families in crisis by surrounding them with caring, compassionate community.
3. Reunite families and reduce the number of children entering the child welfare system. We seek to be an alternative to foster care, where appropriate.

Resurrecting Biblical Hospitality

By extending hospitality to others in need, Safe Families for Children returns the Church to its historic role of caring for the orphan and the widow. The scriptures lead us to make room in our busy, well-protected lives to minister to others and help a stranger. In early church times, hospitality was considered dangerous and even radical, yet it served as a foundational ministry.

Today, Safe Families remains integrally linked to local churches. Churches of all sizes play roles in providing for the less fortunate families in their communities. The church is reemerging as a champion for families in need, even as our society faces legal and governmental constraints and depleting resources.

Make a Difference

When a church becomes a Safe Families for Children Church its members are given opportunities to grow spiritually, show compassion, and change society for the better.

Safe Families Churches profoundly affect our communities by:

- *Mentoring volunteers*
- *Recruiting volunteers*
- *Hosting support groups*
- *Identifying community support services*
- *Donating resources of goods & services*

