



Womanspace East, Inc.
Serving Families in Crisis

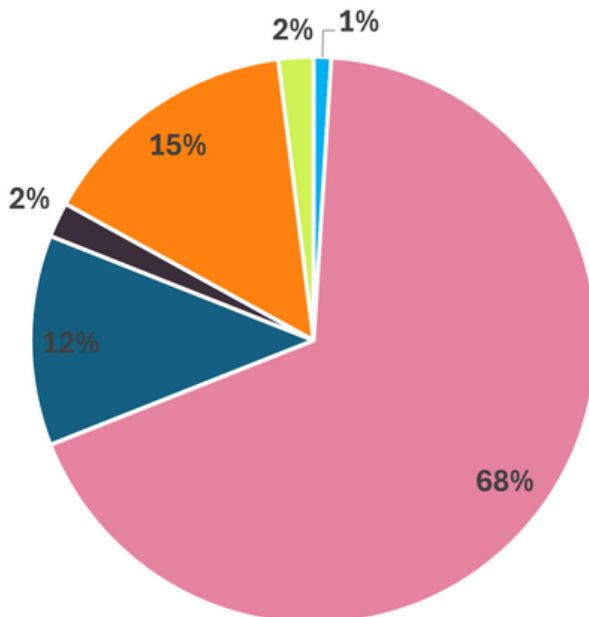
Donor Newsletter

Winter 2024

Here is who we served in 2023 with your support

Your generosity in 2023 allowed us to be here for the most vulnerable members of our community in Allegheny County experiencing homelessness. Together we make Womanspace East more than a place to stay...it is a space to grow.

85% Of the people who came to our shelter in 2023 secured permanent housing with the support of our case workers.



280 people served
108 adults
172 children

93 households
15 intact families
78 single mothers

■ African ■ African American ■ Caucasian ■ Asian ■ Mixed Race ■ Hispanic



Get to know us



Direct Care Aid, LaShae Williams

As a direct care aid, I provide support and complete the intake assessment when families first arrive at shelter. I answer phones as well as direct people to other shelter options in Allegheny County. I am available to assist clients with personal care items as well as basic daily needs. When necessary, I sort through donations and provide them to the families that are currently staying with us. Lastly, I will at times clean out the rooms and prepare them for the next family that will be staying in our program.

I am proud that we provide services for families in crisis. Womanspace East is not just for shelter space. People staying with us are given assistance in so many other avenues. We are one of the biggest family shelters and we can assist larger families and households with temporary housing during their current crisis. We also take pride in cleanliness and ensure the safety of our clients, which is our top priority next to finding suitable housing for their specific family unit.

Spaces to grow

The teens staying with us participated in a teen night at the Carnegie Museum as part of their teen outreach program. The Homeless Children's Fund provided bus tickets for them to attend. The teens got to discuss career options and college choices with students who were currently enrolled in Carlow College.



The good you create

Veronica came to us with her 6-year-old daughter after time spent living couch to couch in various friends' homes. She had to overcome many obstacles while in shelter. She had little or no credit history and owed a past landlord a substantial amount of money. Criminal charges from nine years ago were also preventing her from getting housing. Veronica started working two jobs to save for a deposit pay off some of the balance from her previous apartment. She worked days at Walmart and nights online while family members watched her young daughter. Eventually she was able to secure housing after more than a dozen applications. Her case worker at WSE connected her with programs to provide her furniture and houseware.

