



A CHURCH-BASED APPROACH
TO ENDING FAMILY HOMELESSNESS

2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR

WHAT IS BRIDGE OF HOPE?

Bridge of Hope calls and equips compassionate people from many Christian faith traditions to exemplify Christ's love to homeless women and children through mentoring friendship. Bridge of Hope brings together professional staff and trained church-based mentoring groups to empower homeless and at-risk single mothers to attain:

- permanent housing
- financial stability through employment
- life-changing friendships
- increased self-esteem and growth in areas of holistic living

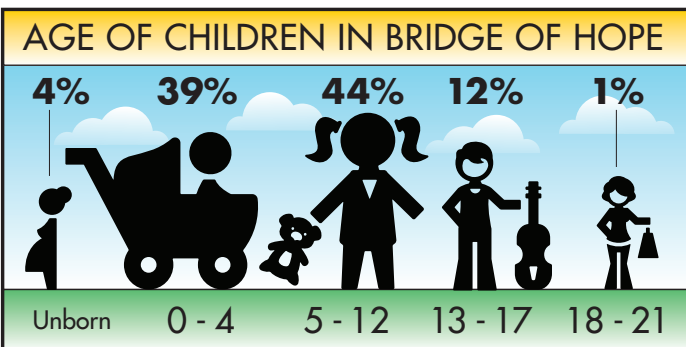
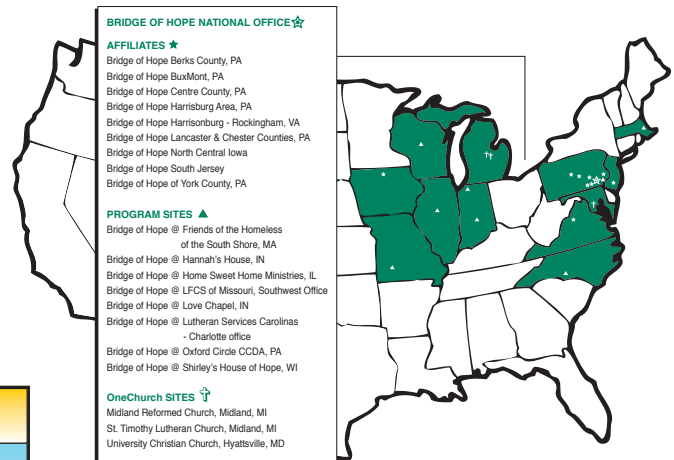
WHERE IS BRIDGE OF HOPE?

The Bridge of Hope network has 20 locations across 12 states.

WHO DOES BRIDGE OF HOPE SERVE?

The age of single mothers served in Bridge of Hope ranged from 20 to 56 years, with 75% age 35 and younger. The "typical family" was a 31-year-old mother with two children.

Families were served for an average of 16 months and were matched with a mentoring group averaging 9 mentors from a local Christian church (Protestant and Catholic).



The average child served in Bridge of Hope was 6½ years old. 87% of children were 12 years old and younger. 43% were under the age of 5.



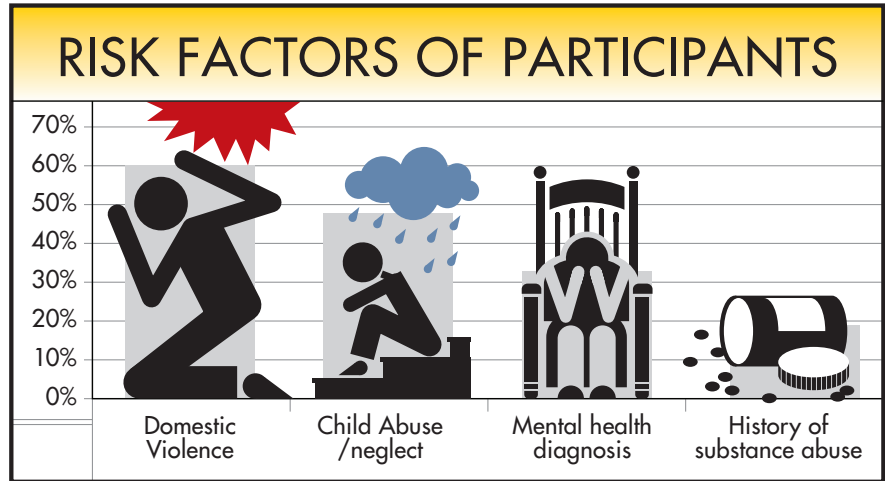
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RISK FACTORS OF SINGLE MOTHERS
IN BRIDGE OF HOPE



The graph above shows the percentage of women participating in Bridge of Hope who reported having experienced these risk factors. 47% of participants reported more than one of the four risk factors.

WHAT ARE THE OUTCOMES?

For 2013-14, the chart demonstrates success behind the stories of women served by Bridge of Hope. Shown below are the percentages of once-homeless single mothers who achieved a "safe" rating or higher in the categories shown.

Education/Training	94%
Health Insurance	73%
Money Management	70%
Job Retention	63%
Child Care	87%
Transportation	90%
Housing	74%
Support System	93%
Physical Health & Wellness	87%
Emotional Wellness	81%
Spiritual Wellness	86%
Parenting	87%



264 individuals (**85** women and **179** children) were served in 2013-14 by **16** active locations. Additionally, **757** mentors, from **85** church-based mentoring groups, engaged in this ministry of friendship.

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