



# 2022 IMPACT REPORT

Pictured: HPC client Marissa, with her son.



Dear Friends,

We believe that a secure life begins with a roof over one's head. The word prevention in our name is purposeful as we assist our local community to keep them housed, financially stable and supported. As local residents leave the Cape in search of housing, prevention and living costs, prevention is the most essential service we can provide to maintain our fragile workforce, economy, and community.

HPC's core services helped people stay in their homes and gain access to food, clothing, furniture, transportation, housing, and other services they needed. HPC accomplished this through sustained personal interaction with each and every person who sought our help. Our strength is—and continues to be—how we work side-by-side to offer support, tools, and guidance rather than dependency.

Stabilizing an individual or family in crisis requires cooperative partnering with like-minded community organizations. Our staff collaborated with advocacy groups, community agencies, churches, municipalities and town housing authorities on Cape Cod and beyond to secure immediate resources to mitigate crisis situations.

A common theme on the Cape is that our workforce is challenged to afford to stay here.

That's our experience at HPC, too. We are seeing a startling increase in the number of persons aged 25-54 who seek HPC services.

Since mid-2021, millennials comprise the largest group assisted by HPC. Despite pandemic financial supports, inflation packed a punch on single and dual-income households striving to make ends meet.

We also observed a rise in direct support requests from working families through HPC's Backpack to School and Adopt A Family programs. Families continue to struggle with limited disposable income for school supplies and holiday gift expenses after paying for essentials such as food, heat and rent.

Thanks to our supporters, we achieved remarkable results in keeping people stabilized and housed last year. Please take a moment to read the stories of some of the people whose lives were positively impacted by HPC. Our commitment to prevent homelessness remains steadfast in 2023—and beyond.



Hadley Luddy  
CEO, HPC



Bill O'Brien  
Chair, HPC Board

# 2022 BY THE NUMBERS

Our team at the Homeless Prevention Council was honored to help 2,360 people.



2,360

1,078

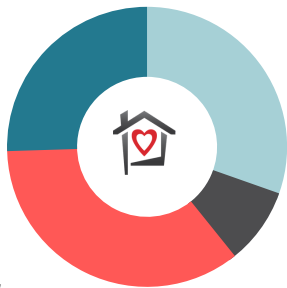
HPC helped people within 1,078 households stay in their homes.



Of the 2,360 people we served, there are:

610  
SENIORS

721  
CHILDREN



837  
ADULTS &  
WORKFORCE

190  
YOUNG  
ADULTS

327 backpacks were distributed to children, a 15 percent rise from 2021. And 481 children received direct assistance for holiday gifts, up 13 percent from the year before.

327  +15%

481  +13%

HPC teamed-up with over 25 other nonprofit organizations, each with unique missions and expertise, to provide quick-action services for over 1,200 people in need.

25 NONPROFITS  
1,200+  
PEOPLE IN NEED



# YOUNG CLIENT PREVAILS IN LEGAL HOUSING CHALLENGE WITH HPC HELP

After losing her mother unexpectedly, Dorothy, 23, found herself shouldering household expenses and responsibilities she hadn't planned for. A sister who came to visit, allegedly to help Dorothy settle their mother's affairs, quickly moved with her best friend into Dorothy's apartment then both refused to leave. They put Dorothy's housing in jeopardy and, when she sought HPC's counsel, Dorothy assumed she had no option but to move out herself.

HPC advised her to stay put and quickly put her in touch with legal assistance. An HPC Case Manager accompanied Dorothy to court and offered moral support throughout the legal process. When the courts removed her sister, Dorothy found the apartment had been vandalized and stripped of all its belongings, including those of her mother.

HPC came to Dorothy's assistance by helping her replace items and worked to secure fuel assistance and reduced utility rates. In cases with young adults like Dorothy, HPC has a dedicated youth and young adult case manager who works comprehensively to assist them.







## MILLENNIAL MOM FINDS PATHWAY TO LONGER-TERM SECURITY

Marissa, now 32, first reached out to HPC in 2018 for help in stabilizing her finances as a soon-to-be mom. She most recently reconnected with HPC to pursue her own educational goals now that her 5-year-old son is in school. Through HPC programs, she has found fellowship, practical support, and hope.

A single mother and resident of the lower Cape, Marissa is concurrently enrolled at Cape Cod Community College to obtain an associate degree focused on human services and in HPC's REACH Program. In September, HPC's Backpack to School program will provide her rising kindergartener with the supplies he needs to achieve in the classroom.

Marissa's long-term goal? To work with one of the Cape's outstanding nonprofits, putting to use her skills, compassion, and lived experience.

# A SENIOR'S DREAM COMES TRUE

Many of HPC's clients aged 75 and up have outlived their retirement savings and/or have insufficient Social Security benefits or other income to afford rising rents. This scenario is true for Laura, an 84-year-old writer and long-time Eastham resident. She came to HPC in 2019 because her housing arrangement was no longer sustainable.

HPC guided her to an affordable unit at Village at Nauset Green in Eastham where Laura's rent was a few hundred dollars below the market rate. But inflation negatively impacts seniors with fixed incomes, and Laura's rent is no longer within her reach. In 2022, and after a six year wait, Laura was selected from a waiting list to receive subsidized housing at Island Elderly Housing.

With a little assistance from HPC, Laura will soon move to Martha's Vineyard. HPC is covering the first month's rent and security deposit. In partnership with the Lower Cape Outreach Council, Laura will also receive help with moving and ferry expenses.

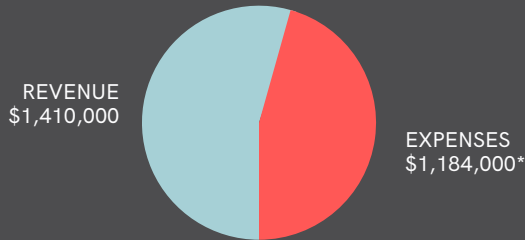
Laura is jubilant knowing she will be able to live in her own apartment—walking distance from a café and a community center—and with the peace she needs to write.



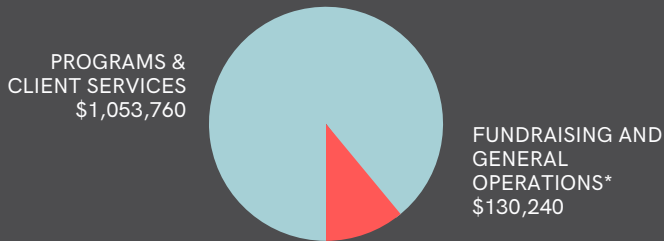


# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## CALENDAR YEAR 2022



## EXPENSES



## HOW OUR WORK IS FUNDED



*\*In 2022, HPC purchased a new home in a centrally located and visible location at 8 Main Street in Orleans to better serve our clients and community.*



## HELP SUSTAIN OUR FUTURE NEIGHBORS

A charitable bequest through your will or living trust is one of the most meaningful ways to make a substantial impact on the Homeless Prevention Council and our Cape Cod community. Whether you want to make a gift today or include HPC in your will, we have information available to answer your questions.

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neighbors in need.

