



## Veronica's Thank You

Veronica delivered the thank you card one night after our Life Skills classes. To call it a thank you card, however, does not properly describe it. It was hand drawn and colored and the size of a poster. It now hangs on a wall in my office.

Veronica, due to graduate from Homestretch, wanted to express what being in Homestretch had meant to her and to her son. On one side of the poster she had drawn a scroll, and hand-written inside the scroll were these words:

*"Dear Homestretch: Honestly, I don't know how to express my feelings because there are no words to match my gratitude, however much like Shakespeare I might write. Above all else, you've shaped my attitude, nurturing me with discipline and light. I will always remember the hard work that you did for me and my son. How you do it, we don't know, but from the bottom of my heart, thank you for being simply the best. Love, Baby Ricardo and Veronica."*

On the other side of the scroll was a giant drawing of colorful flowers and inside each petal was a saying that she had learned and applied while in Homestretch.

*It is not enough to be good if you have the ability to be better.*

*No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.*

*We write our own destiny; we become what we do.*

*It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are.*

*The secret of getting ahead is getting started.*



Veronica had certainly gotten started, and she had shown courage in choosing a life path and working with discipline to get there. When she came in, she had no high school diploma, the only work she could find was an occasional housecleaning job, and she had a 3 month old son. She started studying for her GED, which she earned within a few months. Soon after she was pursuing an associate's degree at NOVA, thanks to a scholarship we helped her find. She also worked full time, earning only \$7 an hour at first but eventually going up to \$15 an hour. She worked closely with our Credit Counselor to restore her credit, and by the time she was ready to graduate, she had saved almost \$10,000.

I keep Veronica's thank you poster close by at all times, to remind me of why we do what we do. In one of the petals she wrote, where you come from is not nearly as important as where you are going. Veronica proved that to be true. She came in as a poor, uneducated homeless woman with a baby and poor prospects for the future. But she knew that with effort, faith, and a lot of help from us, the stars were the limit. In fact, the last graphic she drew was a woman with wings, holding a bright star in one hand, stepping out in faith from her seat on the moon.

Christopher Fay

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## About Homestretch

Homestretch, founded in 1990, is the largest provider of transitional housing to homeless families in Fairfax County. Over the past nineteen years, we have helped over 900 families and 2000 children.

At any given time, 75 families are enrolled in Homestretch; over a year's time, about 120 families are served with as many as 300 or more children. The day the families enter the program is the day they get a key to their new home, where they can stay for 2 years or more. The home is completely furnished, and Homestretch pays the rent and utilities. The family agrees to contribute 31% of their income toward the rent, and they tuck away an additional 9% of their income into a managed savings account, which is used first to pay off any debts they have and thereafter as a long term savings plan for when they graduate from Homestretch. While in Homestretch, the family makes every effort to increase their earning power, by finding work, then concentrating on improving their skills and education so that their income continually rises. In addition to housing, the families benefit from money management, credit and financial literacy training, intensive case management, life skills classes, counseling and psychotherapy, specialized support for families who have experienced domestic violence and human trafficking, legal assistance, transportation assistance, substance abuse counseling, ESL and GED tutoring and classes, computer literacy, academic tutoring, mentoring, mental health assistance, health and wellness group, and numerous enrichment services targeted especially for children. Homestretch also has a six bedroom facility that is a safe house for domestic violence survivors.

Every effort is given to helping the families move as swiftly and easily into permanent housing and to dramatically increase their earning power so that homelessness and poverty are things of the past. We place a special emphasis on the children, to ensure that they have the best possible chance of a normal, healthy childhood, and so that the trajectory of their lives can be ones of wonder, joy, security and achievement.

Homestretch's mission is to empower homeless families in Northern Virginia to attain stable housing and self-sufficiency by giving them the skills, knowledge and hope they need to become productive participants in their communities.



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# The Tenacity of Hope

"Have you ever tried leaving him before?" I asked.

"Yes", she replied. "Once. He had beaten me many times, but being on my own was really hard, and since my little boy is his son, I felt bad keeping him from knowing his Daddy, so I let him back.

"What was different about this last time?"

"I had gone to my neighbor's house to watch her children, and I took my baby with me. It was morning and the kids were eating their cereal when he stormed in all drunk and crazy. He knocked me to the floor and was stomping me with his feet and I had my baby in my arms – his baby – and all I could think was, I have to protect him, Lord, please don't let his boots kick my baby."

Her eyes welled up with tears.

"I mean, this was *his baby* in my arms and he just didn't care. I could take his beatings but I just couldn't let him hurt my boy. That's when I said, this has to stop."

She was coming to us from the shelter, with a two year old son and another baby on the way. Her baby's father had just been released from jail and although he had yet to try and contact her, she was afraid he would eventually try.

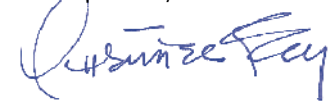
We accepted her into Homestretch. She will go into a home somewhere that is safe and known only to her and to us. We will provide her with a caring case manager, help her find a better job, assist her in reducing her debt and building up savings, help her with child care, legal assistance in keeping

her safe from her abuser, and education about how she might become emotionally and financially independent.

Every week, someone with a story like hers comes to us for help. Recently, we took in a family with a child facing life threatening cancer. His very loving father had gone through what would be a nightmare to anyone: having his home foreclosed, losing his job and having his child hospitalized – in the same week.

These stories contain a good deal of tragedy, but at the same time, I find this work exhilarating. Why? Because at Homestretch, we have the opportunity to help people in these awful circumstances to completely change the course of their lives. One's past does not have to determine one's future. We know this because we have seen it come true in one life after another. And so when a woman comes to us in tears, broken in spirit and body, but still with a glimmer of hope in her soul – we see great possibilities; we will take that hope and build upon it until she, too, sees bright days ahead, and we will cheer and support her along the way as she surmounts one obstacle after another until she achieves that ultimate victory: self sufficiency.

Christopher Fay



## Facts About Homelessness

- Over 85% of homeless families are headed by women – specifically, by single women with children.
- Violence against women is a principal cause of women's homelessness. 57% of homeless women report that domestic or sexual violence was the immediate cause of their homelessness.
- Families with children are now the fastest growing group of the homeless population, they account for about 40% of the people who become homeless each year. 38% of the people already homeless are families with children.
- While there is no one single cause of homelessness, the biggest contributing factor to the rising number of homelessness is the shortage of affordable housing for people with limited incomes. Some other factors include:

- low-paying job
- unemployment
- lack of needed services
- domestic violence
- drug and alcohol addiction
- insufficient education
- poverty
- family breakup
- physical and mental illness
- catastrophic illness
- disasters (i.e. fires/storms)
- death of a family member

## Community Supporters

Homestretch is very thankful for all of the community support it receives throughout the year. We are extremely appreciative for the support that we have received over the years from Dulin United Methodist Church located in the City of Falls Church.

Pastor Davies Kirkland notes that "Homestretch provides Dulin Church the opportunity to use money as well as hands and feet to show their love of neighbor." Dulin helps support Homestretch in many different ways. Dulin sponsors the annual Awards Night. Homestretch families are recognized for making great strides in the program in regards to job placement, homemaking and schooling. Dulin provides each family with a dinner and a gift card. This is a wonderful night of blessings for Homestretch clients and staff.

Dulin also participates in the annual backpack drive for all Homestretch students. Homestretch children are able to start the school year with all of the supplies they need to be successful thanks to donations from Homestretch. A favorite of the Dulin congregation is buying gifts for families during the Christmas season. Gifts are purchased and delivered directly to families. Dulin United Methodist Church members also participate in the annual Fannie Mae Help the Homeless Walkathon giving proceeds to Homestretch. Homestretch provides Dulin the opportunity to help people in immediate need in their own community. Thank you Dulin United Methodist Church for all of your support over the years!

Homestretch is extremely proud to have established a partnership with Excella Consulting. On Columbus Day, almost 50 Excella employees came to Homestretch, along with several staff members from Greater DC Cares, which helped plan the event, and undertook a series of projects in service to Homestretch and our families. For example, one team landscaped several of our townhouses, while another team cleaned gutters and dug out an old dead tree stump. Meanwhile, another team painted the rooms in which we hold our Life Skills classes, and still another team sorted through the warehouse where we store donated furniture and when they were done, the room was organized and tidy and space was cleared for new donations. They accomplished all of this in only four hours – as a matter of fact, most of the teams were done early! Excella also had an art contest among our children to select a holiday card for the company, which was great fun for our children. In early January, Excella, along with Greater DC Cares, participated in another wonderful project to benefit our homeless families, in which they turned over three apartments (getting them ready for new families) and painting, cleaning and organizing a new space for our Life Skills programs. We are very grateful to both Excella Consulting and to Greater DC Cares for the love and time devoted to our families and our mission.



A

*A. Laura Lindsay, ESL teacher, presents a certificate to a successful Homestretch ESL student.*



B

*B. Excella Consulting employees enjoy volunteering at Homestretch.*



# Thank You!

# 2008 Homestretch Activities

## Summer Camp for Homestretch Children

Homestretch children were fortunate enough to spend a week at summer camp in the hills of rural Virginia in 2008 thanks to the wonderful and generous supporters of the Homestretch Child/Teen Enrichment Program. The children spent their days hiking, swimming, canoeing and just having fun. They slept in log cabins or tents under the stars; made new friends and learned things about themselves that they never knew.

*Dear Homestretch,  
Thank you for letting me go to Camp Hanover. It was my first time. I liked swimming, the mudslide and the Bible study. I liked everything so thank you for sending me.*

*Dear Homestretch,  
Thank you for all those times that I went to Camp Hanover. Don't ever change Camp Hanover! Camp Hanover is the best experience I have ever had. I wish I could go for two weeks next year! Thank you very much!*

*Dear Homestretch,  
Thanks for letting me go to Camp Hanover. It was a blast and you made it happen. Thanks!*

## National Volunteer Day

Homestretch partnered with Shreveewood Elementary School for a day of volunteering on Saturday November 8. Homestretch clients, children and staff took part in beautification activities at the school. Projects included landscaping the entire front yard of the school and the courtyard, building planter boxes, building butterfly boxes, painting the front office and painting games on the basketball court.

By participating in a major volunteer project, Homestretch hopes to spark a lifelong commitment to civic involvement and volunteerism among Homestretch clients while providing an opportunity for parents to serve as positive role models for their children. A volunteer project with a local school not only helps Homestretch families contribute to a vital community resource but it also gives Homestretch families the opportunity to give something of themselves to the community and it shows that you do not have to be wealthy to give back to your community.

## Catalogue of Philanthropy Selects Homestretch

Homestretch has been selected to be featured in the 2008-2009 Catalogue of Philanthropy which is widely regarded as a very high stamp of approval for non-profits in the greater metropolitan DC region. Since November 2003 the Catalogue has helped charities in the area raise 3.9 million dollars. Homestretch is thrilled to be a part of the Catalogue for a second time and to be included with other area non-profits who are helping some of our most vulnerable citizens.

## Wine Tasting and Silent Auction

The third annual Homestretch Wine Tasting and Silent Auction was held on October 3, 2008 at the Gannett USA headquarters in McLean. The Wine Cabinet of Reston was the wine partner for the evening providing wines from many different countries. Stolen Moments Jazz Band provided the music while guests bid on many different items donated from businesses in the community. The evening was a great success raising over \$53,000 for Homestretch and the families it serves. We hope you will be able to join us on Friday October 2, 2009 for the fourth annual Homestretch Wine Tasting and Silent Auction.

Homestretch wishes to extend a special thank you to all of the sponsors who helped to make the event a success.

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*Homestretch Executive Director Christopher Fay and Delegate Margaret Vanderhye at the Homestretch Wine Tasting and Silent Auction.*

## Bicycles for Homestretch Children

Homestretch children and several adults were the lucky recipients of bicycles from Mr. Charles Jones, the Bicycle Doctor. Mr. Jones provided 51 Homestretch children and adults with bicycles, helmets and locks. Due to the generosity of Mr. Jones these children and adults are now able to enjoy fresh air and exercise! Mr. Jones was not able to provide helmets for every child. If you would like to donate a helmet or the funds to purchase one please contact [noostdyk@homestretch-inc.org](mailto:noostdyk@homestretch-inc.org). Thank you Mr. Jones!

*Mr. Bike Doctor,  
Thank you for the bike you sent to me. I really like it. It is fun to ride.  
I want to ride it everyday.  
Don't worry, I will wear a helmet.*



## The Many Faces of Homelessness

Homestretch supporters gathered for a benefit breakfast in May to celebrate Homestretch's mission, accomplishments and vision. The Breakfast event was held on May 13 at the Gannett Building in McLean. The event brought together 220 old and new families and friends of Homestretch. Homestretch Board Chair Timothy McGough opened the event and Michael Nigro, CEO of Project Performance gave the keynote presentation. The theme, "The Many Faces Of Homelessness", highlighted how little many people know about who the homeless are in our midst, and about how many of them are single mothers with children. Margaret, a former Homestretch client gave powerful testimony on the impact of Homestretch on her life. Milka, a current Homestretch client spoke of her arduous journey from Kenya to Homestretch, after a horrific experience of human trafficking. "When I met people at Homestretch, my life changed forever. They accepted me the same day. I moved into my two

bedroom apartment within three days of my interview. For the first time in my life I felt safe." Although Milka works long hours going to school and working as a nurse's aid she knows that she is now safe and on a path toward self-sufficiency.

Helping families such as Margaret's and Milka's move forward to self-sufficiency is a team effort by Homestretch staff, volunteers, community service partners and donors. Guests left the Homestretch Breakfast event recommitted to the Homestretch mission of improving lives of homeless families in Northern Virginia.

Corporate sponsors of the Breakfast helped underwrite the cost of the event enabling \$160,000 in donations and pledges to go directly towards the families of Homestretch.

Many thanks to all of our sponsors for the Breakfast event.



## Homestretch Children Meet Mr. & Mrs. Claus

Homestretch children attended an extra special holiday event on November 7. The special Holiday Program was coordinated through the Pajama Program which provides children with warm pajamas for the winter. The kids received brand new winter pajamas, had breakfast and sang holiday songs with the help of Mrs. Claus, Frosty, Rudolph and the conductor from the Polar Express. All of the children received a copy of the classic holiday book The Polar Express. Most importantly, all of the children got to meet with Santa Claus. Needless to say, all of the children had a fantastic time.

# How to Help Homestretch

## Homestretch Wish List!

Beds: mattresses, box springs and frames (singles and doubles), baby cribs and mattresses

Kitchen Items: flatware, dishes, pots and pans and glassware

Safety Items: Smoke Detectors and Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Cleaning Items: mops, buckets, brooms, sponges, kitchen cleaners, bathroom cleaners, glass cleaners and vacuum cleaners

Children's Items: school supplies, dictionaries, arts and crafts materials, camp supplies, disposable diapers, pull-up pants and baby wipes

Linens: sheets, towels, blankets, quilts and pillows

Furniture: tables, chairs, floor and table lamps, rugs and bedroom dressers

Gift cards for stores such as Target, Wal Mart, CVS and gas stations

Tools: Hammers, screwdrivers, and wrenches

Computers: Pentium 4 and up: complete systems in working order

Most families come to Homestretch with few or no belongings. We provide them with everything they need to make a home. Families may keep the items when they graduate which means that the same unit may be furnished a couple of times in a year. We depend on donations to maintain a stock of household items.

If you would like to donate any of these items please call 703-237-2035 x 110 to learn about our pick-up arrangements. Please keep in mind that we are a small agency with only one truck to pick-up items; therefore it may be two to three weeks from the time of your call until a pick-up can be arranged.

## GET INVOLVED

A community collection in your neighborhood is a great way to get your children and family involved in helping homeless families. A community collection is easy. Just print up a flyer with the list of items and deliver it to your neighbors, colleagues and friends. Donations can be delivered to your house on a specific day or you and your children can walk the neighborhood to pick them up. This can be a fun family event and a great community service project for students. Some items our families need but can't afford are disposable diapers and baby wipes and household cleaning supplies.

For more information on how to get started call Roxanna Maddah at 703-237-2035-x125

## Does Your Old Car Need a New Home?

Your old car is more valuable than you think! IRS regulations allow Homestretch to give the full blue book value of donated cars since we turn them over to clients and their families. Most other charities auction your donated cars and thus the value you receive from them is lower. Homestretch will provide a letter certifying the car's intended use and providing fair market value to deduct from your taxes. A donated car can serve as a lifeline for a homeless family. Reliable transportation provides a way for parents to look for jobs, keep medical appointments and take their children to day care and after school activities. So if you are replacing your old car, don't sell it. Donate it to Homestretch and get a satisfying tax deduction. For details call 703-237-2035.

\*Homestretch has several families with five or more children at this time. We are currently seeking large vans or SUV'S for these families. If you have a van you would like to donate to a Homestretch family please call 703-237-2035 x121.

## A Computer In Every Home

If you or your family have computers you are looking to upgrade, please consider donating your old computers to Homestretch. Families, with school age children, need complete systems with working operating systems and modems since Homestretch cannot afford to install operating systems or replace missing parts. The operating computers give children the opportunity to be more successful in school and parents the time to job search at home. If you have questions about computer donations call Eliseo at 703-237-2035-x110

## BEDS NEEDED!

Homestretch is in need of twin and double size mattresses for our families. Without beds families cannot be relocated. If you would like to donate please call 703-237-2035-x 110 to arrange a pick-up. We will also accept financial donations to be used for the purchase of new mattresses. If you would like to send a financial donation that will be used exclusively for the purchase of new mattresses please call 703-237-2035-x119 and ask for Nan.

## Donate On Line

Homestretch is now accepting donations on line. Visit [www.homestretch-inc.org](http://www.homestretch-inc.org) and go directly to the Donate Now button. You will be then be guided through a safe and secure online donation process. If you have questions regarding the new online donation process please contact Jon Anderson at 703-237-2035 x117.

## Volunteering at Homestretch

Homestretch is always seeking volunteers. One volunteer can make a big difference at Homestretch. Volunteer opportunities at Homestretch include the following activities:

### Volunteer Opportunities at Homestretch

- ESL Tutor (morning and evenings)
- GED Tutors
- Computer Training
- Organize a Drive to Collect Household Items
- Special Events
- Life Skills Speakers

For more information on individual or group volunteer opportunities please contact Roxanna at [rmaddah@homestretch-inc.org](mailto:rmaddah@homestretch-inc.org) or call 703-237-2035 x125. Whether you have one hour a week, one morning a month, or one day a year you can make a difference!

## KEEP IN TOUCH ALL YEAR

Homestretch sends out a monthly newsletter by e-mail. If you are interested in receiving our monthly e-mail newsletter please send your e-mail address to [mmonday@homestretch-inc.org](mailto:mmonday@homestretch-inc.org).

# Homestretch Events

**The 2009 Homestretch Benefit Breakfast** will be held on Tuesday May 5 at the Gannett Building in McLean. The theme of this year's breakfast is "Celebrating Success." Come hear Homestretch clients speak about the impact Homestretch has made on their lives. If you would like to sponsor the Breakfast or simply attend please contact [janderson@homestretch-inc.org](mailto:janderson@homestretch-inc.org).

**The 2009 Homestretch Wine Tasting and Silent Auction** will be held on October 2 at the Gannett Building in McLean. Please join Homestretch Board, staff and friends for an evening of great fun! All proceeds from the Wine Tasting and Silent Auction will benefit Homestretch families. Please contact [janderson@homestretch-inc.org](mailto:janderson@homestretch-inc.org) for more information on this event.

## April:

Wednesday, April 22: Volunteer Appreciation Night

## May:

Tuesday, May 5: Benefit Breakfast

## June:

Wednesday, June 17th: Awards Night  
Camp Programs Begin

## July:

Saturday, July 25: Back to School Picnic

## October:

Friday, October 2: Wine Tasting and Silent Auction

## November

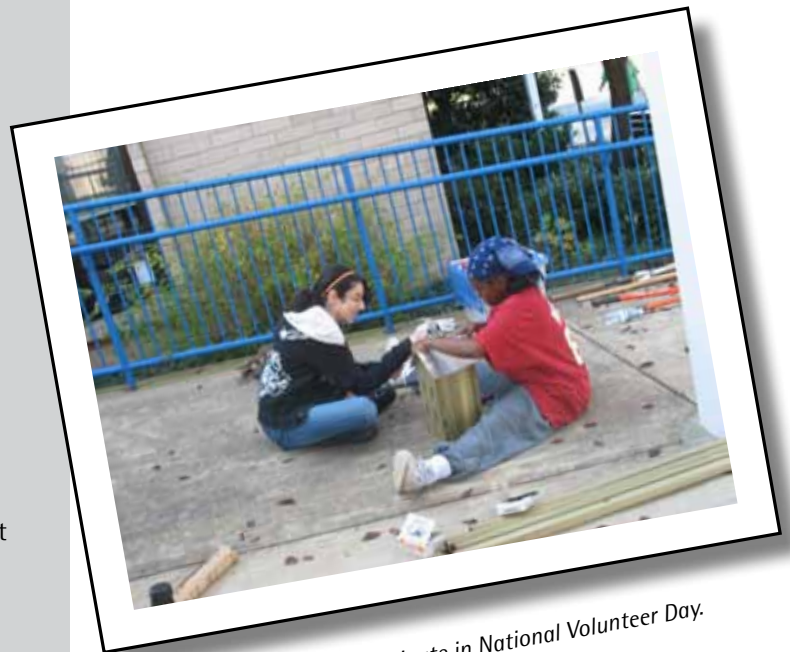
Thanksgiving Adoption

## December

Saturday, December 5: Holiday Shopping Spree and Gift Wrapping Party  
Holiday Adoption



*Homestretch children receive backpacks and school supplies at the 2008 annual Back to School Picnic held in July.*



*Homestretch children participate in National Volunteer Day.*

Please contact [rmaddah@homestretch-inc.org](mailto:rmaddah@homestretch-inc.org) if you would like to volunteer at any of the Homestretch events.

# 2008 Accomplishments

**Awards** - Homestretch earned the *Blue Diamond Award* from the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce in recognition of being the outstanding non-profit organization in Fairfax County.

**Permanent Housing** - Homestretch saw the passage by the Falls Church City Council of a plan to build 174 units of affordable housing on grounds owned and occupied by Homestretch and 2 local partners.

**Transitional Housing** - 112 families were provided transitional housing.

**Job Training** - over 1000 hours of counseling and job placement services

**Credit Counseling** - over \$100,000 in savings by Homestretch clients, and nearly \$100,000 paid toward debts of clients

**Tax Prep** - over \$100,000 earned in refunds by Homestretch clients

**Legal Counseling and services** - 40 hours of legal counseling and over \$100,000 in pro bono representation for Homestretch clients

**Domestic Violence** - successful collaboration with the Women's Center to provide weekly support groups for survivors of domestic violence

**ESL** - over 1500 hours of instruction to 40+ students

**Partnership for Permanent Housing** - 6 Homestretch families enrolled in program to guide them into home ownership within 5 years

**Volunteer hours** - over 4000 hours with a value exceeding \$100,000

**Children's services** - 73 families with children adopted for the holidays; 53 children participated in the Holiday Shopping Spree; 115 children received backpacks filled with school supplies.

**2 families became first time home buyers.**

## Annual Financial Report: July 2007 - June 2008

### Income

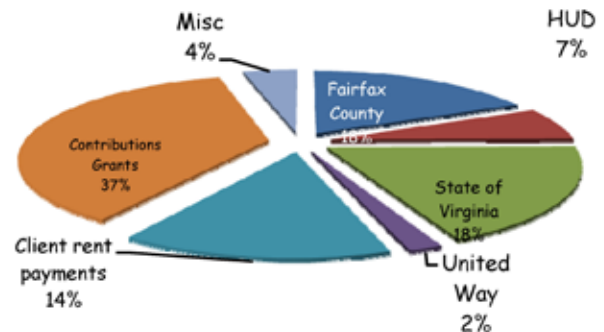
Fairfax County	408,959
HUD	146,700
State of Virginia	414,554
United Way	39,264
Client rent payments	313,665
Contributions/Grants	818,840
Miscellaneous	96,854
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,238,836</b>

### Expenses

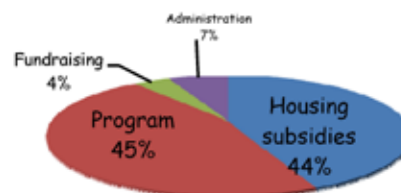
Housing subsidies	1,107,867
Program	1,157,868
Fundraising	102,533
Administration	170,729
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,538,997</b>

*In-kind support of \$1,140,660 for program services not included in above income or expense.*

### INCOME



### EXPENSES



# Homeless Children

- ➔ One in every fifty American children are homeless.
- ➔ 1.5 million children are homeless annually in the United States.
- ➔ Less than one in four homeless children graduate from high school.
- ➔ Homeless children have an average 16% lower proficiency than other students in Math and Reading.
- ➔ Homeless children have an estimated high school graduation rate below 25%.
- ➔ One in six homeless children suffer from emotional disturbances.
- ➔ One in 18 homeless children are members of families where adults hit or throw things.

*Facts are from The National Center on Family Homelessness*

## Help Homestretch When you Search the Internet

What if Homestretch earned a penny every time you searched the Internet? Or how about if a percentage of every purchase you made online went to support our cause? Well, now it can!

**GoodSearch.com** is a new Yahoo-powered search engine that donates half its advertising revenue, about a penny per search, to the charities its users designate. Use it just as you would any search engine, get quality search results from Yahoo, and watch the donations add up!

**GoodShop.com** is a new online shopping mall which donates up to 37 percent of each purchase to your favorite cause! Hundreds of great stores including Amazon, Target, Gap, Best Buy, ebay, Macy's and Barnes & Noble have teamed up with GoodShop and every time you place an order, you'll be supporting your favorite cause.

Just go to [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) and be sure to enter Homestretch as the charity you want to support. And, be sure to spread the word!

## Homestretch Loves Volunteers!

Homestretch could not begin to provide all of its services without the help of our many volunteers. Jennine Sandoval, a long time ESL volunteer, is just one of many who give their time and talents to Homestretch. Jennine is an incredible ESL volunteer. She not only volunteers twice a week in the classroom, she helps clients with all sorts of needs outside of

class hours. Jennine helps clients apply for jobs, complete homework for certification courses such as accounting and hairdressing and even helped one client pursue legal options to force an employer to pay back wages. ESL students love Jennine and she has made ESL classes more effective and personalized. Thanks so much for volunteering at Homestretch Jennine!



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