

"No one can do this alone, and Raphael House makes sure I don't have to." –FEY, Survivor and mom of 3

Raphael House has been a lifeline for **1,860** survivors of domestic violence like Fey and her family over the last year!



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"Escaping abuse and then rebuilding your whole life takes so much courage. Add in housing costs and it can feel impossible, but with ongoing support from the Raphael House community, survivors are able to not just rebuild, but flourish."

—XANDER PEREGRINE, Housing Advocate



PHOTO: CHRISTINE DONG/ HERETOGETHER OREGON We're honored to introduce you to Fey and her children! Make a gift today and help us provide hundreds of families like theirs with life-changing support.

**66** Three years ago, I left my abusive ex and came to Raphael House's shelter with my kids. It was the first step in taking my life back. But no one can do this alone, and Raphael House makes sure I don't have to.

My advocates have been there since day one – even after they helped us get into an apartment we love! Like this spring, when my hours got cut at work and everything dominoed... I started doing food delivery while my teen watched her brother. But then our car broke down, and I couldn't make rent.

I was terrified my ex would get custody of the kids if we got evicted. So I called my Housing Advocate, Xander. They helped with emergency funds, and even hand delivered our rent check to get it paid on time. It's not easy suddenly being a single parent, so their support is a huge relief.

My big goal is to be a medical assistant, and Xander also helped me start my training. It'll be better pay, consistent hours, and less childcare worries.

My daughter watches her brother a lot, so hoping my new job will let her be a kid more. Like this summer when she went on a 4-day kayaking trip with her Youth Advocates from Raphael House and LEAP Wilderness Programs. I felt like a mama bird letting their baby fly – but I knew she'd be safe with her advocates. She came home so proud!

Some days, it's a struggle to keep my family afloat. But I know that we can get through it because of the trust I've built in myself, and with the support of my advocates. Thank you for being a part of this, because it's truly changed our lives!"

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"When you make a donation, I can personally say how far it goes to changing someone's life. It has for me and my kids! And everyone deserves the chance to start over and be safe."

## -FEY

Your gifts help us be there for survivors and their children throughout their journey to safety and stability.

Make sure families always have a community behind them – donate today!

## HOW WE SHOWED UP FOR SURVIVORS THIS YEAR!



**92%** of families across our programs are now in safe housing



**\$725,327** distributed to help survivors pay critical expenses like rent



## 1,101

callers supported on our 24-hour hotline



**292** support groups for survivors to connect and heal





**345** children & teens served across our programs



**30,390** pounds of food distributed

PHOTO: LEAP WILDERNESS PROGRAMS

These numbers reflect what your support helped make possible July 2022–June 2023.