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Homeless Families with Children in Transition

Call to Action

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Mission: Protect the Vulnerable, Promote Strong and Economically Self-Sufficient Families,
and Advance Personal and Family Recovery and Resiliency.

Community Response and Commitment to Help One Family At a Time

- To resolve the family's crisis, the combined resources of the entire community will be needed.
- Government alone is not the answer.

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All Segments of the the Community Must Be Engaged

- Faith Community and the Nonprofit Services Agencies
- Business Community and Corporate Leaders
- Government's Safety Net Programs

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One Family At A Time Match Up Community Resources to Its Needs

- School Districts and Local Homeless Coalitions to identify the families with children in transition.
- Department to use Facebook to match up the community's time, talent and treasure to the family's needs.

Facebook page: "One Need, One Family"

Partners for Promise Initiative

Partners for Promise is statewide initiative to recruit our state corporate and business community leaders to commit their resources to meet the needs of the people served by the Department.

<http://flpartnersforpromise.com>

Central Florida Region: Targeted Outreach Initiatives

- Central Florida Workforce
Take mobile van and staff to the motels where homeless families are staying.
- Second Harvest Food Bank
Assist the families in securing food stamp benefits.
- Homeless Shelters
Have dedicated communication link to DCF to assist homeless clients with their benefits.

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