

Studies show that families with children are the fastest growing segment of the homeless population in America. This is especially true in Orange County, where one of the most expensive housing markets in the nation creates an immense gap between income and affordable housing. In 2007, Illumination Foundation was founded to create a safety net for homeless families and chronically homeless individuals by providing ongoing client-centered housing, health care, workforce, and educational services.

Our mission is to provide targeted, interdisciplinary services for the most vulnerable homeless clients order to break the cycles of homelessness.

Since our inception, we've committed ourselves to providing the best care possible for the homeless, focusing on addressing both chronic homelessness and inter-generational homelessness. We walk side-by-side with our clients, providing comprehensive services and compassionate guidance to help them achieve their independence and end homelessness. By assessing families and individuals as they enter our care, we can identify their unique needs and provide immediate relief when necessary. We utilize public and private partnerships to ensure that our clients are connected to all community resources available to them.

Since **2008...**



2,316
families provided housing services



1,950
children provided education services



14,385
clients provided health care services



2,561
clients provided recuperative services

OUR SERVICES TARGET TWO CYCLES



INTER-GENERATIONAL HOMELESSNESS

Homelessness which systemically manifests in families, from early childhood trauma which heavily impacts development, leading to traumatized adults who are unable to provide basic needs for their children.

BARRIERS

Lack of access to basic resources and needs, children unable to hit developmental milestones or build safe human relationships, trauma from an early age.



CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS

Homelessness which often stems from financial insecurity and chronic health conditions. Disability, workplace injury, loss of income, or mental illness causes an inability to maintain health, often times leading to self-medication.

BARRIERS

Chronic illness, mental health, lack of access to health care and financial resources, unstable income, stigma.

