



Every person and family we serve has aspirations that Hope Acts is proud to help them achieve

Hope House—Transitional Housing

Hope House is the first American home for up to 13 adult asylum seekers at any given time. We provide one-on-one support and cultural and educational activities in a warm, family-like environment.

Hope House English Language Program (HHELP)

HHELP offers the opportunity for adult English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) students to develop and practice their English Language skills in small, supportive classes.

Asylum Seeker Assistance Program (ASAP)

ASAP helps asylum seekers complete work permit applications, a critical step to work legally in the U.S. We also assist with resources for housing, jobs and other needs.

Our Mission

We provide housing, English classes and other resources that support immigrants in transitioning to life in Greater Portland and in achieving their goals for a successful future.

Our Vision

We envision a community where immigrants are welcomed and empowered socially, emotionally, physically, economically and spiritually.

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HOPE RISING

Growing to Meet This Moment



On World Refugee Day, *Portland Press Herald* columnist Bill Nemitz featured the work of Hope Acts and the people we assist in these challenging times:

On a shady street in Portland, hope springs eternal

“ But away from the din, day after day, there are those who pour their energy not into debating, but doing. They work in havens scattered all over the country that share a singular objective: Assist these newcomers as they strive to make their lives better.

Hope House is one of those havens. ”

Thank you to Bill for sharing our story and to the *Portland Press Herald* for allowing us to use excerpts.





With a focus on creating solutions specific to people's most critical needs, Hope Acts served hundreds of individuals and families—the majority from Central and Western Africa—throughout the pandemic.



HHELP students come from 26 countries

Since the start of the pandemic, Hope Acts has grown and adapted our programs to address the needs of hundreds of asylum-seeking families and individuals. My deepest gratitude to our volunteers, financial supporters and partner organizations.

Thanks to you, Hope IS Rising!

Sincerely,

Martha Stein
Executive Director



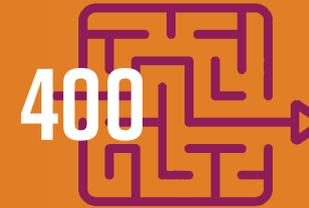
1,200+ asylum seekers completed work permit applications



Over 250 have enrolled in year-round Zoom and WhatsApp English classes



40% of ASAP clients are families with children
■ 1/3 are single parent families



400+ ASAP clients found help

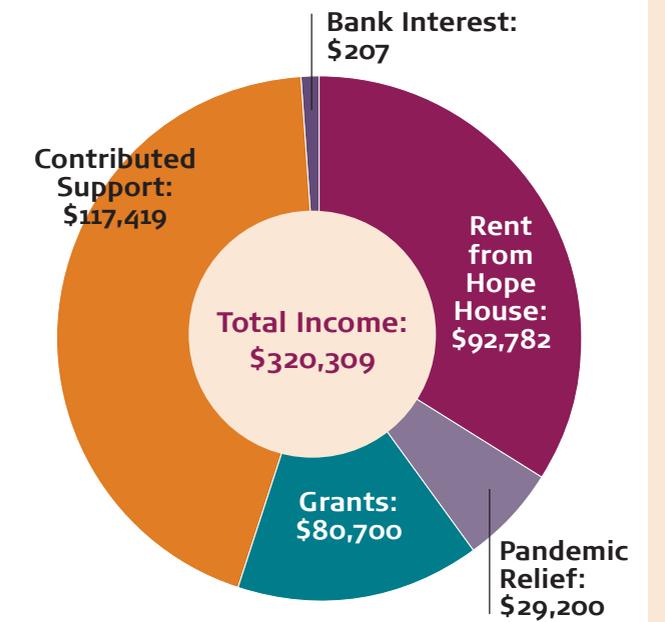
We welcome all asylum seekers looking for help finding housing, accessing food, obtaining health care services, and resolving other problems. Hope Acts offers both one-time help and long term support, responding to each client's unique needs.



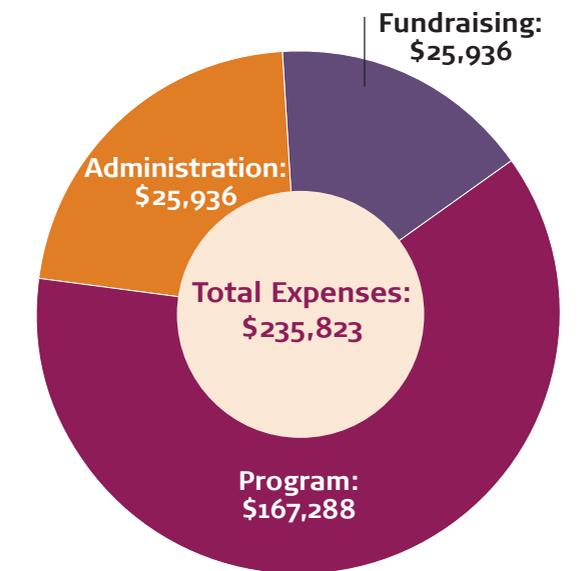
13 men and women live in Hope House at any given time

2020 FINANCIALS

Income



Expenses



Hope Acts ended 2020 with \$84,486 net income.