

# Elim Transitional Housing, Inc.

## 2008 Annual Report



Program Participants



Our Mission is to end homelessness  
by providing people with affordable housing  
and opportunities to become self-reliant  
in our community.

## The History of Elim Transitional Housing, Inc.

Elim Transitional Housing, Inc. began as an overnight shelter formed during the winter of 1982-83 at Elim Baptist Church in Northeast Minneapolis.

People who stayed at the shelter were asked what would have prevented them from becoming homeless and what would assist them in securing housing.

Individuals answered that affordable housing in the community and help in accessing jobs, education and other services would help them to stabilize their lives.

Their insight, faithful prayers, generous private donors, and a leap of faith led to the formation of Elim Transitional Housing, Inc., the state's first transitional housing program.

In 1985, Elim Transitional Housing, Inc. separated from the church and incorporated as a nonprofit 501 (c) 3 organization.

For twenty-five years Elim Transitional Housing has provided affordable housing opportunities to people who are at risk of or are currently experiencing

homelessness.

Elim's housing is primarily located in the seven metro counties of Minneapolis and St. Paul .

All program participants live independently and pursue self chosen goals.

Elim Transitional Housing is committed to having people who have experienced homelessness as primary decision-makers in the organization: 66% of our Board of Directors and over 50% of our staff have experienced homelessness.

## A Letter from Board President Tom Meade and Executive Director Sue Watlov Phillips

### BOARD MEMBERS

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*Tom Meade*

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Dear Friends,

God continues to bless our work as we complete our 25th year of service to our community.

Thank you again for all your prayers and support!

Through our prevention, screening, rapid exit services , transitional housing, permanent supportive housing, rental subsidies programs, as well as our informational and referral services, we served over 6,000 people this past year.

We would like to thank all our individual, corporate, foundation, faith-based and government partners in helping to make A Place to Call Home a **Reality** for the people we serve who are at risk of or who are currently experiencing homelessness.

God Bless,



Tom Meade  
Board President



Sue Watlov Phillips  
Executive Director

# Elim Annual Report - Program Descriptions and People Served in 2007

## Prevention-

Elim provides financial assistance to individuals in North and Northeast Minneapolis who are at risk of becoming Homeless. This damage deposit, rental or mortgage assistance is provided to people in order to preserve their housing stability and avoid homelessness.

43 Family Units  
of 51 adults

## Screening-

Elim screens all Hennepin County families residing in Hennepin County Shelters and refers them to appropriate 78services.

787 Family units  
including 957Adults and  
1505 children

## Rapid Exit-

Staff work at Hennepin County Shelters to aid families in leaving the shelter system. Elim assists families who are experiencing homelessness in finding affordable housing with coordination and services and apartment search guidance.

380 Family units including  
456 adults and 722 chil-

## Transitional Housing -

Elim operates shared housing, Elim rented housing and market rate rental partially subsidized by Elim. Support services are provided with the housing assistance. Housing is provided for up to 24 months.

98 Family Units including 109  
adults and 181 children

## Permanent Supportive Housing

Elim provides permanent housing in the community with support services to people who have utilized homeless shelters multiple times and also have a mental health, chemical abuse and/or HIV/AIDS issue. Housing is provided through the Group Residential Housing Program, Group Residential Housing Program—Long Term Homeless, and HUD.

38 Family Units Including  
44 adults and 78 children

## Tenant Based Rental Assistance-

Elim provides tenant based rent subsidy programs.

- The **HOME** program provides housing subsidies for families, youth, and individuals in Anoka County.
- The **Housing Trust Funds** provide rental subsidies for families and individuals leaving the shelter system or in a housing crisis.
- The **Long Term Homeless Funds** provide housing subsidies for families who have experienced long term homelessness, defined as being homeless four times in the last three years or continually homeless for one year or longer.

19 Family Units including  
24 adults and 34 children

61 Family Units including  
80 adults and 152 children

81 Family Units including  
102 adults and 173 children

## Information and Referral

Elim staff assists over 1600 people each year with assistance in accessing other resources when we are at capacity.

## Statement of Activities for Year Ending 12/31/2007

<b>Revenue and Support:</b>	<b>2007</b>
Government Grants	\$1,815,302
Contributions	294,659
Contributions –in kind/rent & legal	138,660
Rental Income	90,752
Interest/Misc Income	313
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Total Revenue and Support	\$2,339,686
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Program services-housing support	\$2,093,847
Management and general	128,703
Fundraising	34,299
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Total Expenses	\$2,256,849

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