

Partnership Program

# Homelessness In Kent County

## What does homelessness look like in Kent County?

- In 2014 over 3500 households in Kent County experienced a housing crisis, including 4200 children
- The "Point in Time Count" from January 2014 reported 793 homeless individuals on a given night

## How many families are being served through the Salvation Army Housing Assessment Program (HAP)?

- Over 640 calls are completed each month through the Housing Assessment Program
- About 60% of the households assessed could not be referred due to a lack of housing resources in the community.

### Why is housing important?

- Safe, affordable housing is a basic human need
- A person's quality of life and well-being include having a stable place to live.

#### How is CPP making an impact?

- In the last year (July 2013-Sept 2014), CPP served 97 individuals in 25 households,
- Of past CPP participants:
  - 100% have increased their income since they joined CPP
  - Over 90% have not returned for housing assistance from HAP
    \*Housing Assessment Program

Interested in learning more or holding a presentation at your congregation about homelessness and the Salvation Army Congregational Partnership Program? Contact Congregational Recruitment Specialist, Raechel Wrona at 616-454-5840 ext. 3030 or raechel\_wrona@usc.salvationarmy.org

