

The Problem & Our Purpose:

- **16.2%** of Rapid City residents had an income below poverty level in 2019.
- During the 2020-21 academic year, **591** kids were identified as homeless in Rapid City Area Schools.
- The average monthly income for a full-time, minimum wage earner is **\$1,725**, while average monthly rent in Rapid City, pre-COVID, was **\$826**.
- **OneHeart's Purpose:** To eliminate or mitigate as many barriers as possible that prevent people from escaping a life in the crisis of poverty and create a workforce development program unlike any other



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OneHeart's Mission: *To create pathways out of poverty for those desiring to thrive.*

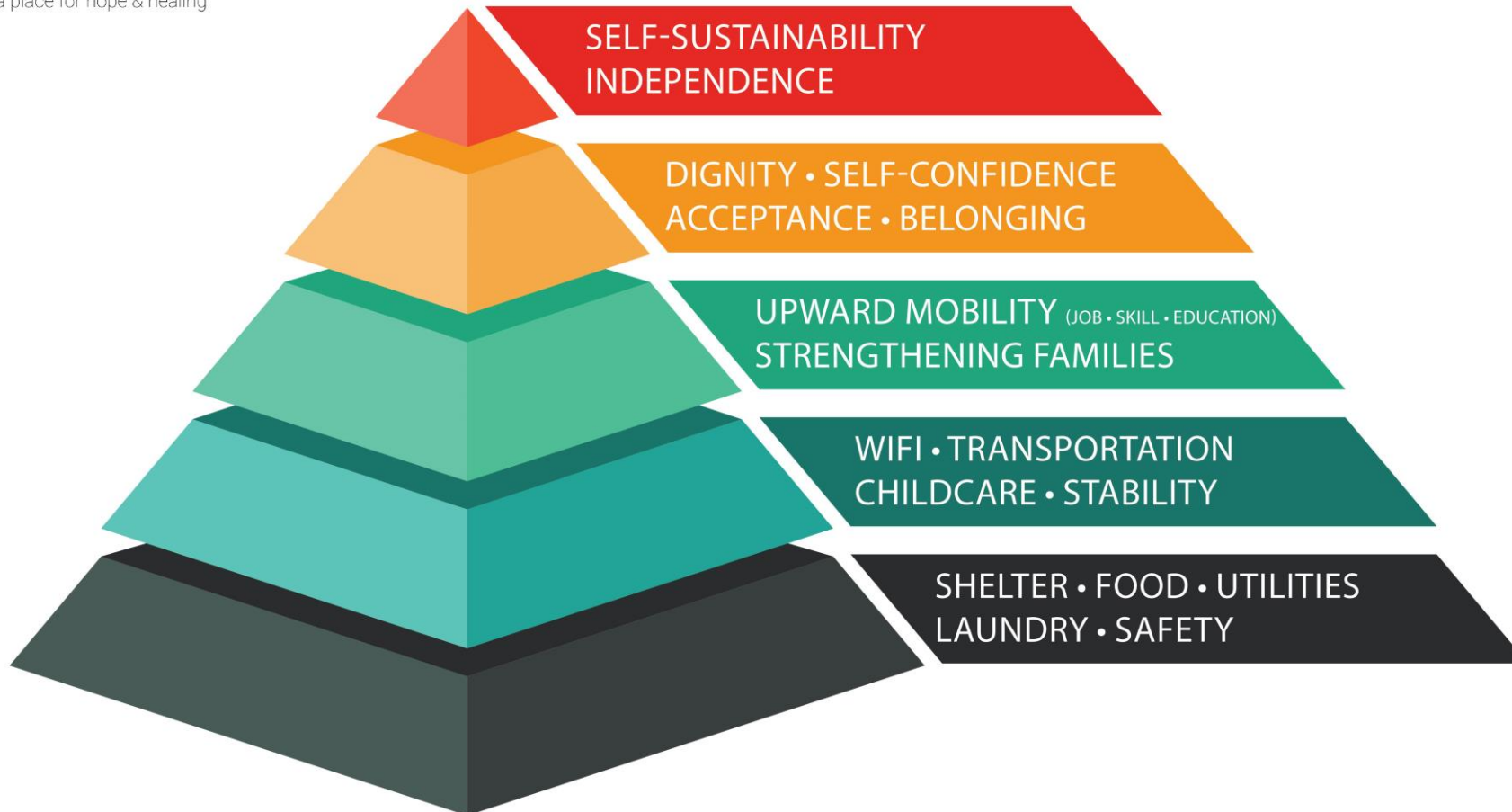
We provide:

- Transitional supportive living units for program enrollees (with 24/7 security)
- Food
- Transportation
- Workforce Development
- Co-location of partnering agencies who provide numerous support services:
 - Childcare
 - Life Skills
 - Job skills
 - Educational opportunities
 - Urgent care services
 - Mental/behavioral health counseling
 - Family support



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HIERARCHY OF **NEEDS**





Who are we serving?

Thru 2021:

- Approx. 200 people
 - 46% adults, 54% children
- 32 single-custodian households
 - 30 female, 1 male, 1 grandparent
- Ave. family size = 4.3 people
- Other Demographics:
 - 65% Native American
 - 32% White
 - 3% Other

What we have accomplished SO FAR ...



8 Family Reunifications



10 enrolled in higher ed



4 OneHeart Graduations



34 Enrolled in GED Program



13 Paid-Off/Paid-Down Debt



OneHeart...One Ride at a Time

“The relief of knowing I don't have to worry about being late to work anymore has made my life so much easier and has taken a lot of stress off of my shoulders, which has helped me to be able to get everything else that I have going on done.”

~ Guest who utilizes Transportation Program

May – January:

- * 2,000 Trips
- * 45% Employment-Related
- * 10% Education-Related
- * 18% Off-Campus Healthcare

ONEHEART...ONE STEP AT A TIME

Since opening, OneHeart has celebrated guests who have:



Earned a GED



Paid off college debt and re-enrolled in classes



Started a new career path in a high-demand field



Retained employment in a living wage job



Opened a savings account for the first time



Reunited with their children



Sought help to improve their mental health



Had the courage to leave an unhealthy relationship



Obtained a driver's license



Saved enough money to purchase a vehicle

A single mom was referred to OneHeart by the local domestic violence shelter, where she sought help after leaving an abusive relationship. She was employed, but not in a full-time position. On campus this guest received food, shelter, and support from OneHeart, counseling for her trauma, and childcare and occupational therapy for her son through partnering agencies. Her OneHeart care coordinator served as the point person for the team of people supporting her through her journey. When she graduated from OneHeart, she had a place to live, a full-time job, a savings account for the first time in her life, and a consistent childcare provider.

“If OneHeart wasn’t here, I probably wouldn’t have done half of the things I’ve already been able to do.”

~ OneHeart graduate





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