



**STABLE  
STEADY  
STRONG**

INVESTING IN A STRONGER COMMUNITY FOR ALL.

## Quarterly Report to Investors

We're featuring stories from funded programs to show how **STABLE STEADY STRONG** lifts up people and families across Polk County.

### Iowa Homeless Youth Centers: Bringing together support so youth can build their futures

In the heart of downtown Des Moines, Iowa, the Iowa Homeless Youth Centers (IHYC) is a safe place offering hope for young people navigating the challenges of homelessness. IHYC manages a system of change for youth, one that is enriched by values of compassion and support.

IHYC is reshaping the narrative around youth homelessness. They're not just offering shelter; they're crafting a blueprint for a brighter future using tools like tenant-based rental assistance, supportive housing, and rapid rehousing programs. The Polk County Housing Trust Fund supports IHYC's rapid rehousing program with funds invested in **STABLE STEADY STRONG**.

Recently, IHYC addressed a major gap in services for youth by launching a partnership to serve those aging out of foster care at Sixth Avenue Flats, a new affordable housing community also funded in part by the Trust Fund's development programs. These brand new apartments will be a sanctuary for young adults to receive support and get the right start in life.

Thanks to your support, the Trust Fund has been a steadfast partner with IHYC and its parent organization YSS offering these services to youth. The wraparound care IHYC provides includes comprehensive case management that nurtures crucial abilities like budget management, timely rent payments, utility setups, and more. It's a holistic approach aimed at building independence and resilience.

The resources that participants receive through IHYC programs mean that someone is there for youth during a critical time as they enter adult life. The program is a testament to the community's faith and commitment to empowering its most vulnerable members.

As you can see, your investment in **STABLE STEADY STRONG** is having a large impact in getting people housed and connected to a brighter future. Thank you for entrusting us with your support.



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**STABLE STEADY STRONG** amplifies nonprofit programs and services to increase the number people and families in Polk County who can count on the security of stable housing.

In the past few years, our community has seen influx in youth experiencing homelessness. Your investment helps respond with programs that support families with children and individual young people who otherwise have no support.

**In fiscal year 2023**, funded programs served a total of 2,036 people under age 18. Overall, funded partners reported these outcomes for the year ending June 30, 2023:

- 196 people found new jobs.
- 214 households were placed into permanent housing.
- 472 individuals completed financial education.

Learn more about funded programs and their impact at [pchtf.org/stablesteadystrong](https://pchtf.org/stablesteadystrong).