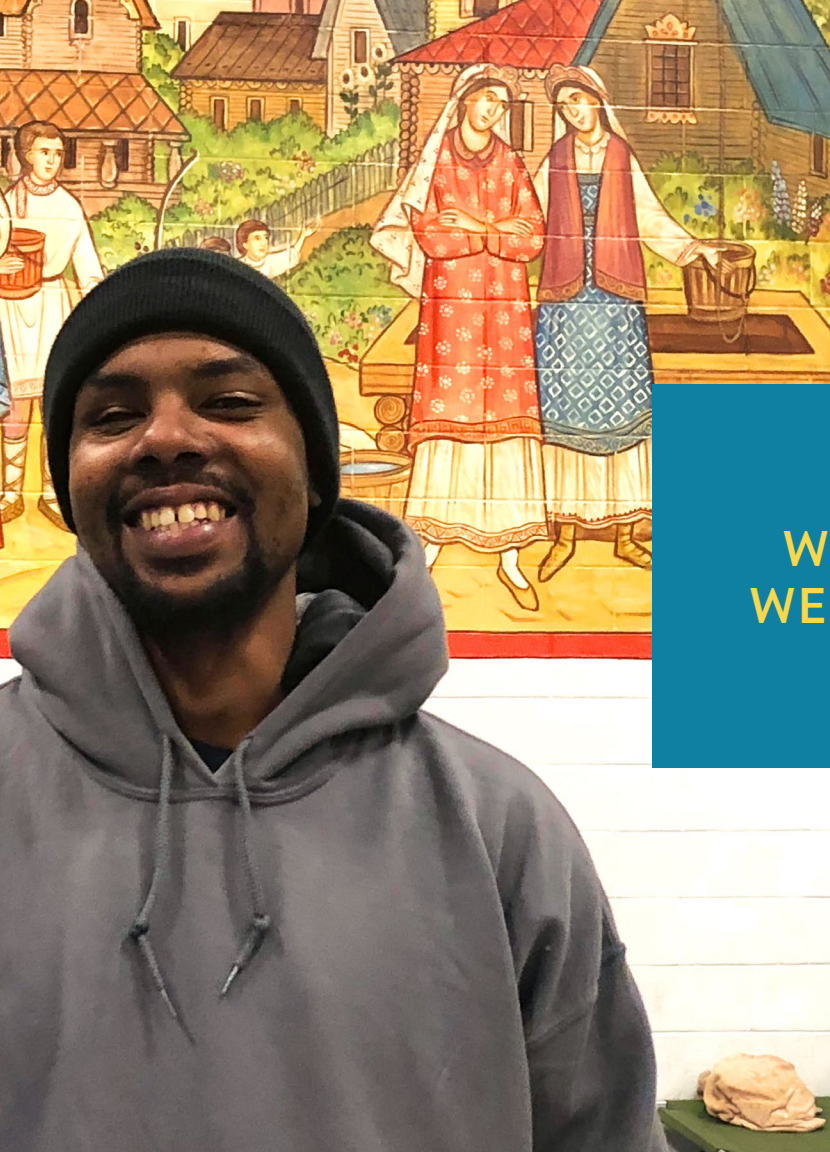


HOMELESS TO HOME  
HOPELESS TO HOPE



EUMA

*Helping those who are homeless – one heart at a time.*



## WHO WE ARE

Rooted in God's love and care, EUMA provides life-changing opportunities for those who live at the margins of homelessness to become vital members of our community.

## CLIENT STORIES



***“We had somewhere to go, together!”***

David and Dawnee, and their five daughters, stayed at The Refuge a few years ago after losing their home. “We lost everything,” Dawnee said. They were so distraught - had nowhere to go . . . but then, they received the call they were praying for from The Refuge - “We have a room available.”



***“Homelessness can happen to anybody. It doesn’t discriminate.”***

John and Mary became homeless after John lost his benefits and they couldn’t afford to live off of Mary’s salary alone. They found out about Our Neighbors’ Place Seasonal Shelter.

During their stay, the couple connected with community resources and moved into a home of their own – thanks to ONP volunteers and EUMA’s Rapid Re-Housing program.



***“I believe Liberty House was sent straight from heaven!”***

Years ago, Carlos – a U.S. Veteran dealing with a drug addiction - was lost, homeless and in need of help. He came to Liberty House – joining other homeless Veterans – to be among his brothers and confront his reasons for homelessness.

Today, Carlos is clean and sober. He’s a great single Dad and an enormous asset in our community.

# PROGRAMS

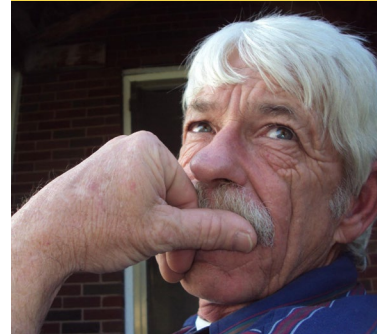
## THE REFUGE



### ***Ending homelessness for families with children***

The Refuge is a 32-bed emergency shelter for families experiencing a housing crisis. Each family is placed in an individual room . . . allowing the family unit - including Dad - to stay together during their time of homelessness.

## LIBERTY HOUSE



### ***Ending Veteran homelessness***

Liberty House is a 10-bed transitional housing program for homeless Veteran men. It is the only transitional program in Erie County specifically for homeless Veterans.

## RAPID RE-HOUSING



### ***Helping families and individuals move from homeless to home***

Rapid re-housing assists those in a housing crisis to find a home and wraps them with supportive services to keep them there.



## OUR NEIGHBORS' PLACE



***Ensuring everyone has  
a warm, safe place  
to sleep during Erie's  
winter season***

A community effort run primarily through volunteers, this seasonal shelter operates on a rotating basis among several Erie churches every two weeks during the winter season.

## HEALTHCARE FOR THE HOMELESS



***Ensuring homeless  
individuals and families  
receive appropriate  
wholistic health services***

Centered on collaboration with community providers, HC4HP integrates housing and healthcare by providing healthcare and social services to individuals who are homeless and impacted by poverty.

## PERMANENT HOUSING



***Providing low-income  
permanent housing  
units to those who are  
formerly homeless***

Recognizing that affordable housing is an issue, EUMA is committed to providing low-income living space for those who have experienced a housing crisis.

## RAINBOW CONNECTION



***Supporting our mission  
through the sale of  
gently-used, low-cost  
clothing, furniture, and  
household items***

Our thrift store also operates a Voucher Assistance Program that provides free clothing and necessities to those in need.

**By the way you pray, give and  
engage with your EUMA – together, we  
really are changing the lives of those  
impacted by a housing crisis!**



At EUMA, we believe a permanent place to live – a home – is central to healthy individuals, families and neighborhoods.

Through emergency, seasonal and transitional shelters, permanent housing programs, housing case management, the integration of housing and healthcare, vouchers that release clothing and household items to those in need, we are moving our neighbors experiencing a housing crisis from homeless to home – from hopeless to hope for a brighter tomorrow.

Because of you, this young man, his four siblings and grandmother who is caring for them, are home. The kids are all on the honor roll. They have a place to call home and neighbors – you – who they can thank for loving their neighbor.

For more information including how you can help our neighbors experiencing a housing crisis, please visit us online at: [EUMA-Erie.org](https://EUMA-Erie.org)

**Kurt B. Crays, MDiv.**  
**EUMA Executive Director**

## Because of you, EUMA provided the following services last year:



**2,086**  
adults and children  
from **32** agencies  
received free clothing  
and items from  
our thrift store



**5,890**  
bed nights were provided  
to **342** men and women  
at Our Neighbors' Place  
Seasonal Shelter



**34**  
Veterans were sheltered  
at Liberty House.  
**91%** exited to  
permanent housing



**Your neighbors . . .  
your community . . .  
your EUMA, and you!**

**Together, ending homelessness  
and alleviating the effects of  
poverty in NW PA.**



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