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## **Family-Focused Nonprofit Agencies Join Forces**

CHARLOTTE, North Carolina - Charlotte Family Housing (CFH) and Families Forward Charlotte (FFC) are delighted to announce a new collaboration between their organizations. Both agencies focus on empowering under-resourced families to achieve stability, self-sufficiency, and economic mobility. Their programs offer complementary supportive services and advocacy to achieve those goals.

By joining forces for good, CFH and FFC become stronger together. In the vision of this new partnership, families graduating from the CFH program will have the opportunity to continue building social capital by joining the program at FFC. Carrie Christian, the Executive Director of FFC, and Ashley Pharr-Godbee, the Chief Program Officer at CFH, are excited about the alliance, which takes effect immediately.

"We appreciate the work of CFH in the community and the longevity of their impactful approach to addressing homelessness, which is why FFC is excited to further our shared mission of empowering families on their path to economic stability. We know that sustained support will only further increase the success of families in our community, so it is a natural fit for FFC to accept referrals from those graduating from CFH's programming," said Christian.

Pharr-Godbee recognizes how the individualized mentorship, educational opportunities, and essential support provided by FFC will make a major impact on some CFH families. "There are times where families experience a heightened sense of stress and anxiety upon graduating," Pharr-Godbee noted. "Although it is an exciting time, families face the reality of losing the support they have received from their social worker over the past two to three years. FFC is the perfect agency for those families because our missions align so well and I know those families will appreciate the continued support."

## **Families Forward Charlotte's Mission**

Families Forward Charlotte partners with families in poverty to provide individualized mentoring, educational opportunities & essential support as we walk alongside each family on their journey toward long-term stability and economic mobility.

## **Charlotte Family Housing's Mission**

The mission of Charlotte Family Housing (CFH) is to empower working families experiencing homelessness to achieve lifelong self-sufficiency through shelter, housing, supportive services, and advocacy.