



Over the past two decades, DIGS has been a major eviction-prevention program that has been extremely successful in Dane County. In 2021, the DIGS program provided counseling to 1,007 households and financial assistance to 660 households in danger of eviction. Of those who receive assistance, 85% remain in housing 6 months later.

This program is running out of direct assistance funds that is used to keep families in their housing. Support for this program is needed immediately to prevent families from entering homelessness.

For families that live paycheck-to-paycheck, one small life change can result in homelessness. With your help, we can keep our vulnerable neighbors in their housing with small grants and financial counseling.

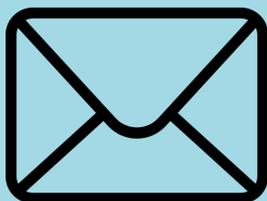


Farhiyo and her family found themselves in a difficult situation. Porchlight's DIGS program was able to impact their life, by providing her family with crucial services.

Farhiyo was born in Somalia but moved with her family to a refugee camp in Kenya when she was three. When she was twelve, the whole family immigrated to Minnesota, when she grew up, and had her two boys. Once she was able to leave the abusive relationship with their father—he was granted custody. Farhiyo decided to try her luck somewhere else and moved to Madison as a single person in 2019. She was doing fine, working all the time, and maintaining her one-bedroom apartment. Then, out of the blue, in July 2020, the father dropped off the boys for good. Farhiyo had no choice but to take time off from work to care for them, especially since the schools were closed. That's when she called the DIGS program, and we were able to help with \$400.00 towards her August rent.

Farhiyo is very hardworking, and very devoted to her family, including her extended family, who are all still in Minnesota. She is determined to make sure the boys grow up speaking Somali and understanding their cultural and national heritage. It was a privilege for us to be able to help.

Please help, you can do so in several ways:



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Madison, WI 53715 and put
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Celebration*

NOVEMBER 1, 2022

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1 John Nolen Drive, Madison

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