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A Leap of Faith!

Kimber* came to Bridge of Hope several months ago, behind on her rent and in danger of eviction because her work hours had been significantly reduced during the pandemic. Commuting by train to Philadelphia from Chester County for her job was also an added expense. Bridge of Hope's rental assistance helped Kimber maintain her housing and gave her time to begin looking for a better job. God provided, and Kimber was offered a job just 20 minutes from her home that paid \$6 more an hour! But she didn't own a car, and there was no public transportation available.

In a leap of faith, she took the job, and we used social media to ask for a vehicle donation, or funds toward one that could accommodate her family of six. The day camp staff, where three of her children attend, heard the story and through a series of connections, the perfect sized car was made available for a good price. Thanks to the funds collected, Kimber was able to purchase the car with more than 50% down and a reasonable monthly payment. What a God moment! and what a testimony to the power of networking! In our

county, good transportation is vital to ending homelessness. We are so grateful to all those who participated in this leap of faith!

Would you like to get involved? There are more families like Kimber's who are facing eviction as a result of this past year. Families facing homelessness need neighboring. Neighboring volunteers support the family tangibly and emotionally, much like an extended family; helping them move, find furnishings for their apartment, providing emergency transportation or childcare, and share their networks. A group of 6-10 volunteers from **your Bible study, small group or congregation can be a bridge of hope for a family facing homelessness.** Call or email Scott Dorsey at 610-280-0280 x1109 or scottd@bridgeofhopeinc.org to learn more about **Neighboring to end family homelessness.**

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