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- West Des Moines Christian Church
- Windsor Heights Lutheran

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**FAMILY PROMISE OF GREATER DES MOINES RECEIVES \$3,456 GRANT
FROM VARIETY – THE CHILDREN'S CHARITY**

Des Moines – Family Promise of Greater Des Moines (FPGD) has received a \$3,456 grant from Variety- the Children's Charity to help fund supplies and guest expenses associated with their efforts to assist families with children experiencing homelessness.

FPGD is a nonprofit organization providing shelter, meals and case management services for up to three families at a time in Polk County through a network of 10 faith-based congregations. Each participating congregation provides overnight shelter and meals for one week approximately every three months.

The Variety grant will be used to pay a portion of the costs associated with guest expenses like purchasing air beds and gas for the van that transports

guests between the Day Center and host congregations.

“Stable housing is essential to the well-being of all children,” said LaToya Scott, FPGD executive director. “In 2022, 71 percent of families have exited our program into permanent housing. Our partnership with Variety-The Children's Charity helps make these successes possible.”

Variety - the Children's Charity is dedicated to improving the lives of children who are underprivileged, at-risk, critically ill or living with special needs. Grant funding is provided to programs and initiatives that directly impact the well-being of children in our community. For more information on Variety grants and programs please visit varietyiowa.com.

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