After a long and difficult search, Haley is now able to start a new life in a home of her own with her daughters. Homeless for several years in California and Arizona, Haley, her two young girls, and her niece moved to New Mexico where she continued to be homeless for over a year. SHC provided a housing voucher but because of her credit and eviction history, Haley was turned down for many apartments. Briget, her housing specialist, worked with Haley to secure her home. Finally, one of our partner landlords in the Northeast Heights gave Haley a chance.

On the day of her lease signing, Haley cried tears of joy, she couldn’t believe she would finally have a home for herself and her daughters. Briget accompanied Haley to the unit and presented her a Welcome Home Basket filled with items she would need to get started in her new home. Even after signing the lease and getting her basket, Haley couldn’t believe it was her home and asked, "Can I really keep the keys?"

SHC houses over 350 individuals and families like Haley and her children through its tenant-based housing voucher programs, partnering with over 150 Albuquerque landlords. Help us to end homelessness for good. Your donations help us do the work we do every day.

On the second Monday of each month, SHC partners with Road Runner Food Bank to provide food boxes to tenants in our housing programs. These food boxes provide much needed food items, help alleviate food insecurity, and promote housing stability. Our service coordinators need assistance from 12pm - 4pm sorting, loading, and delivering the boxes to our tenants.

Please contact our office at 505.255.3643 ext. 1111 or email info@shcnm.org if you are available to help.

This is an ongoing volunteer opportunity. Visit www.shcnm.org/volunteer for other volunteer opportunities.
Last month SHC hosted two extraordinary events at Downtown @700 2nd Apartments.

On August 13, Mayor Keller and the Department of Family and Community Services announced the first round of funds being utilized to address homelessness. SHC was the first recipient of the funds raised through the City of Albuquerque Housing Fund, allowing us to permanently house two individuals who experienced homelessness. Permanent supportive housing for the two individuals will be maintained through our Housing First housing voucher program. Mayor Keller visited with Tommy, one of the voucher recipients, and City representatives toured the facility.

Congresswoman Deb Haaland visited SHC and New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority at Downtown @700 -2nd on August 27th. The Congresswoman was most interested in learning more about homelessness programs, affordable housing, and the work of SHC. She toured the property and visited with one of our tenants, Jim, who happened to be a big supporter of hers.

Strike Out Homelessness is in its 7th year and is once again sold out of teams. But don’t despair! You can still help SHC Strike Out Homelessness! Here are some great ways!

Sponsor the event - even though you won’t get a team, there’s still t-shirts, recognition, and the knowledge that you are enabling us to do good work every day. www.shcnm.org/bowl

Purchase a Digital Ad - there are six (6) jumbo screens at the venue and we will run your ad throughout the event on all the screens for $250. www.shcnm.org/bowl

Buy Raffle Tickets - as usual, this raffle is the bomb! We have 11 premium packages including All About the Wine, Date Night, Albuquerque Staycation, Friends Night Out, Family Adventure, A Day in Santa Fe, Jewelry, a Pamper Package, a night at Los Poblanos, and Disneyland Hopper Passes! www.shcnm.org/raffle

Start a fundraiser - you can use our fundraising pages to start your own fundraiser. Or start a Facebook fundraiser in our honor. Contact us to find out how! info@shcnm.org

We have amazing sponsors. When you have the chance, tell them Thank You and patronize their businesses! The event is October 19 at Holiday Bowl in Albuquerque.