Times are hard. You can help.

Each day in our community, families struggle to make ends meet.

When local families experience financial crises or are unable to maintain adequate housing, ADFAC is THE trusted agency to provide short-term assistance to help eligible families gain stability and grow toward self-sufficiency.



It's not always visible
- but thousands in
our community are
challenged each day
to maintain life's basic
necessities. Sometimes,
it is those who struggle
with the uphill battle of
chronic poverty; other

times, it is middle class families confronted with a sudden and unsettling loss of income. Low or fixed incomes, reduced work hours, job layoff, unexpected expenses, sudden illness or injury and many other factors contribute to the instability and distress experienced by so many of our less fortunate neighbors.

For 27 years, ADFAC has worked to meet the needs of families in crisis. ADFAC answers thousands of requests each year for assistance for basic needs and to maintain or obtain safe, affordable housing. In additional to short-term financial aid, ADFAC also works to provide families with techniques to be better prepared in the future. Tools such as budget counseling, weatherization materials and tips, homebuyer counseling and preventive home maintenance education are provided to families to establish or reaffirm positive habits that promote self-sufficiency.

In 2014, we seek to make a true difference in the lives of thousands of individuals, but our success is ultimately guided by the support we receive from caring and compassionate members of our community. Your support as a Member will directly help ADFAC as we provide over 20 kinds of assistance, including

- utilities assistance to prevent the loss of home energy for over 800 families
- the construction of 4 ENERGY STAR homes and coordination of affordable, low-interest mortgages
- the distribution of food and basic personal hygiene items to more than 400 families
- providing new backpacks and supplies to 2,200+ disadvantaged K-12 students
- helping 10 elderly families receive home repairs that allow them to continue living independently and
- providing shortterm counseling, education and referrals to the



thousands who receive financial aid.

Together, we will accomplish amazing things.

When you become a Member of ADFAC, you play a vital role in ADFAC's work and mission. Your Membership contribution helps ADFAC work to ensure impoverished families have *safe, warm, livable homes, food and hygiene items, and other basic necessities.* Your support allows ADFAC to continue providing short-term supportive counseling so families gain the stability they need as they learn to adjust to living in these challenging economic times.

Please consider becoming a Member of ADFAC. Times <u>are</u> hard, but together we can <u>all</u> help.







