



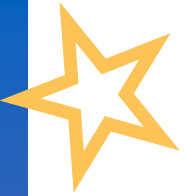
HAVING A HOME IS THE  
FOUNDATION OF A GOOD  
LIFE.



**2022 - 2023**  
**ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT**

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## LEADERSHIP MESSAGE



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### With Gratitude: A Message from the Board Chair & Executive Director

We are deeply grateful for your support and eager to share the annual Impact Report with you as evidence of what you made happen last year.

Since 1992, Family Promise of the Main Line (FPML) has provided a pathway to hope and stability for our most vulnerable neighbors. Your commitment has been critical in enabling unbroken delivery of services during the challenging time of the pandemic and our nation's recovery. In these pages, you will learn about FPML, its programs, services, and activities between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023.

FPML's program combines the stability of emergency shelter, provided by partnering congregations along Philadelphia's Main Line communities, with the benefits of intensive case management services provided by FPML staff to empower 16 families this year — 50 individuals — to be sheltered and look to regain housing and ultimately reach long-term economic self-sufficiency.

While there is much to celebrate as families progress to more stable lives, the need for help has swelled in our community. Skyrocketing inflation and a depleted stock of affordable housing are putting more families at risk of homelessness. In 2022, there was a 118% increase in homelessness in Montgomery County over 2021 and unsheltered families doubled. On one cold night in January 2023, the number of people living unsheltered on the streets was recorded as 110 people – including children - and this situation continues to worsen.

In response, we expanded both prevention and stabilization services. These programs help families avoid a housing crisis and remain stably housed, supported by case management, cash assistance, and negotiations with landlords and utility companies. As a critical nonprofit partner of Montgomery County's social safety net, we were able to keep 53 families housed and out of the County's overburdened emergency shelter system. Six families received rental assistance to avoid imminent eviction, and many others received case management and information on navigating critical steps. Eighteen families are currently enrolled in our Graduate Self-Sufficiency program. These recently housed families received monthly in-person case management sessions as well as regular check-ins to help them maintain their goals.

Finally, FPML offered critical knowledge and referral services to community members seeking help with a housing crisis — assistance with rent, utilities, food, benefits, transportation, and childcare, as well as an introduction to our emergency shelter services. As the affordable housing crisis worsened in Montgomery County, calls to our office increased from 1,300 in FY2022 to over 2,000 calls in FY2023, reflecting the growing need for this help.

We are profoundly grateful to each of you, our partners, volunteers, and supporters, who, together, are helping our neighbors regain and maintain a place to call home. Thank you for the investment you made to offer families a path toward sustainable independence and a chance to build a better future.

With much gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Anne J. Wright".

Anne J. Wright  
Board President

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susannah Coleman".

Susannah Coleman  
Interim Executive Director



# MISSION

The name Family Promise refers to the promise in the sense of commitment, which congregations make to families in need, but it also refers to the promise of the potential inherent in every family.



Our mission is to help families experiencing homelessness and low-income families achieve sustainable independence through a community-based response.

## Vision

A community in which every family has a home, a livelihood, and the chance to build a better future.

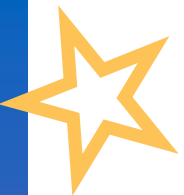


## PROGRAMS

### PROVIDING A THREE-WAY SAFETY NET

Three programs help families experiencing a housing crisis in Montgomery County. The **Prevention Program** provides rental and utility assistance, budget counseling, and an array of other services to stop homelessness before it happens. The **Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Emergency Shelter Program** brings together diverse religious groups to partner in providing shelter. Host congregations extend hospitality by opening their doors and their hearts. Between the hours of 6 PM and 6 AM congregation volunteers cook, share a meal, play with children, and give families a safe place to sleep each night. The **Graduate Self-Sufficiency Program** was created to provide ongoing care for families that move from shelter to permanent housing. This program ensures that families maintain stable housing.

All three programs provide case management that prepares families for economic independence and housing stability. Together, our services are strengthening Montgomery County's social safety net while alleviating an over-burdened shelter system.



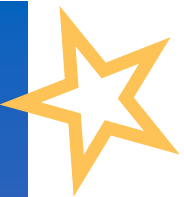
## HELP FOR GREGORY

### Prevention Program

When the children's mother passed away suddenly, Gregory became the primary caregiver and contacted Family Promise of the Main Line (FPML) seeking rental assistance. Lack of childcare impacted his ability to work full-time, and he fell behind on the rent. Gregory is one of many struggling with painful decisions over whether to buy groceries or pay the rent. Fortunately, FPML could help by providing rental assistance and donations of gift cards for food which was especially helpful while schools were out for summer break and school lunches were not available.



One traumatic event is all it takes for a family to experience a housing crisis.



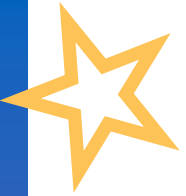
## MEET DEREK & CASSANDRA

### Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Emergency Shelter Program

When Derek, Cassandra, and their two small children joined the IHN Emergency Shelter program in September 2022, Derek was still suffering from the effects of a gunshot wound, and they were forced to leave their Philadelphia neighborhood for fear of more violence. Their story highlights how trauma creates homelessness and how providing shelter and supportive services can transform lives. Derek's injury and need for further surgery meant the family could not cope with the weekly rotation to different host congregations. A decision was made to house them on the third floor of the Day Center, providing them with a small apartment. The family was connected to Medicaid, and Derek could have the needed surgery. While Derek was recovering and unable to work, he enrolled in an online GED program. The family was connected to the Head Start program for daycare for the children, which allowed Cassandra to enroll in Manna's Common Grounds Training Program. Derek received his GED and enrolled in Manna's Common Grounds Training Program. Derek and Cassandra both received their Safe Serve certificates from Manna on Main. Derek gained full-time employment in Food Services at Einstein Hospital. Cassandra completed a paid internship and is seeking full-time employment. Family Promise of the Main Line was able to give the family opportunities and supportive services to improve their health, education, and income. Recently, Derek and Cassandra's family moved into permanent housing. They have made tremendous progress; best of all, the children are happy and outgoing, while their parents are grateful and much more confident in their ability to provide for the family.



*"I am thankful that every day I get to wake up and make a difference in me and my family's life in a positive way. I am grateful to the shelter for helping."  
(IHN Emergency Shelter participant)*



## MELISSA'S STORY

### Graduate Self-Sufficiency Program

Melissa and her three children completed the IHN Emergency Shelter program, working with her case manager to secure a Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher. Unfortunately, soon after they had settled into their new home, the landlord decided not to renew the lease. This put Melissa's family back into housing insecurity until our case manager was able to advocate for her in court and the judge ruled in her favor for a three-month extension.

Melissa was connected with another landlord allowing her to keep her housing voucher. This family narrowly escaped a return to homelessness.



*"I think about how I came into FPML with hardly anything, and I just feel beyond grateful for where I am (now)."  
(Graduate Self-Sufficiency Program participant)*



# YOUR IMPACT!



## Your Help and Support Provided:



**4,019 BED NIGHTS**  
hosted by volunteer congregations



**3,722 MEALS**  
served to program families



**15,421 MILES**  
provided transportation to day center, night shelters, grocery stores and more



**7,500 DIAPERS**  
along with 175 packets of wipes



**780 LOADS OF LAUNDRY**  
completed at day center



**100% INCREASED OR MAINTAINED INCOME** while in FPML programs



**10 FAMILIES TRANSITIONED** successfully to stable housing



**18 FAMILIES SERVED** in the Graduate Self-Sufficiency Program



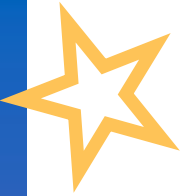
**30 BOOKS & BLANKETS IN A BAG** given to children



**\$9,890 IN GIFT CARDS** for food & housing essentials



**GIFTS FOR 31 HOUSEHOLDS** on holidays and birthdays



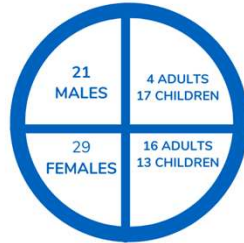
# 2022-23 PROGRAM REACH

## Emergency Shelter Program Reach

16 families



50 Individuals

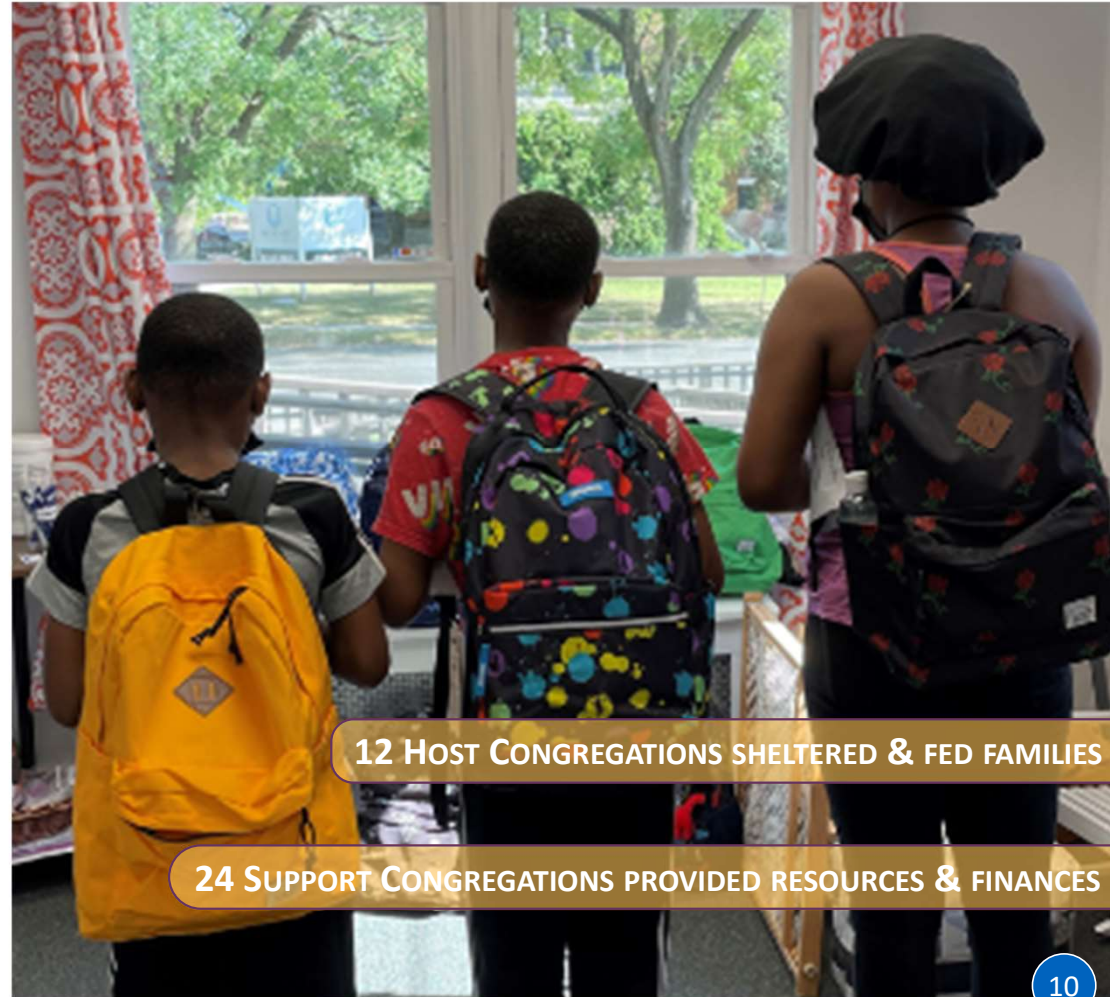
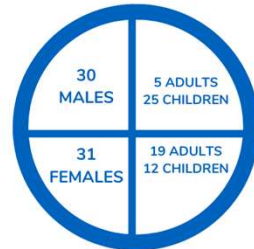


## Graduate Self-Sufficiency Program Reach

17 families



61 Individuals

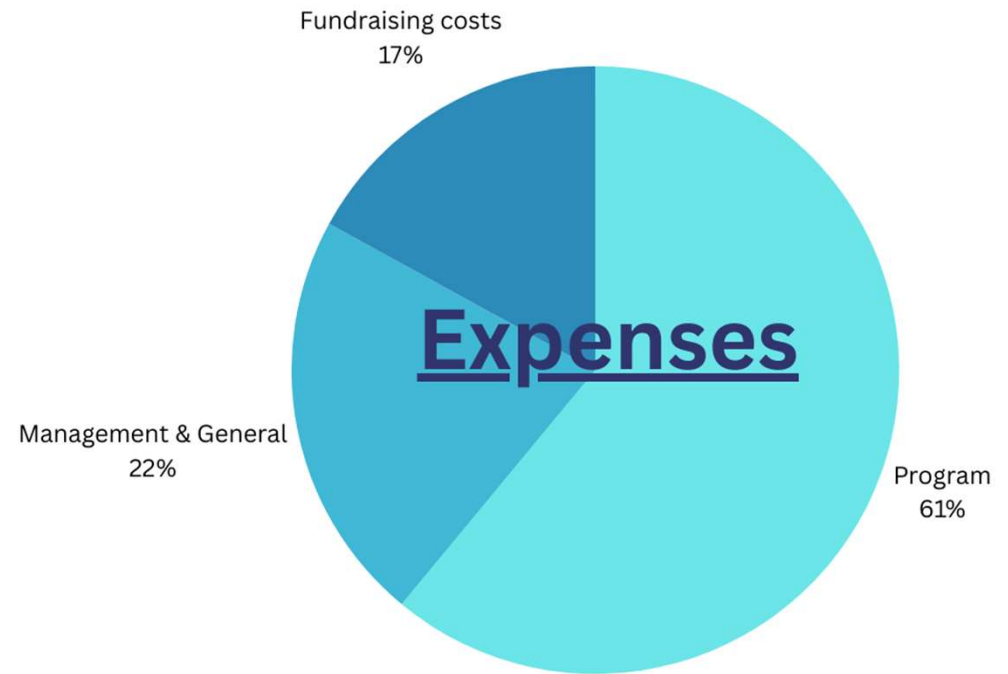
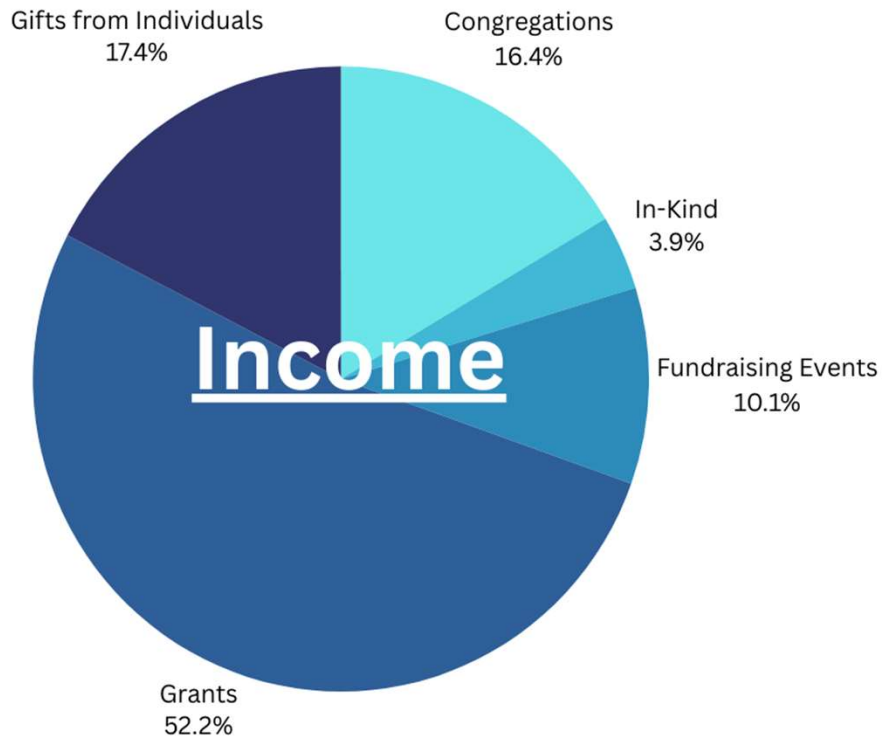


12 HOST CONGREGATIONS SHELTERED & FED FAMILIES

24 SUPPORT CONGREGATIONS PROVIDED RESOURCES & FINANCES



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Through May 2023



**Susannah Coleman**  
Interim Executive  
Director

As of May 2023



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Program Manager



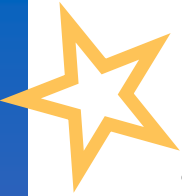
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**Don Johnson**  
Transportation  
Manager



**Andrea McFadden**  
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Assistant



# THANK YOU ALL FOR MAKING THIS PAST YEAR POSSIBLE!

## Thanks for Hosting Families & Financial Support!

- Beth David Reform Congregation, Gladwyne
- Bethel AME Church, Ardmore
- Central Baptist Church, Wayne
- Central Schwenkfelder Church, Lansdale
- Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr
- Main Line Unitarian Church, Devon
- Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish, Bryn Mawr
- St. David's Episcopal Church, Wayne
- St. John Neumann Parish, Bryn Mawr
- St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Ardmore
- St. Thomas of Villanova Parish, Bryn Mawr
- Wayne Presbyterian Church, Wayne

### Family Support Coordinators

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*St. Thomas of Villanova Parish*

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*Wayne Presbyterian Church*



Cindy McCallum, Coordinator for St. David's Episcopal Church, dropped off Thanksgiving meal bags for families, donated and put together by St. David's volunteers.



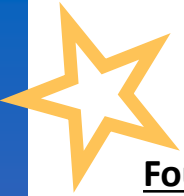
"What a joy to see the families coming in the door to a warm and welcoming place full of good smells and warm, engaging greeters!"

- Maria O'Malley,  
Volunteer at St. Thomas of Villanova parish

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### Thanks to Our Support Congregations for Your Financial and Volunteer Assistance!

- Ardmore Presbyterian Church
- Berwyn United Methodist Church
- Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church
- Congregation Beth Or
- First Baptist Church of Wayne
- Gladwyne Presbyterian Church
- Haverford Monthly Meeting of Friends
- Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
- Olivet-Schwenkfelder UCC
- Radnor Friends Meeting
- Second Baptist Church of Wayne
- St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
- St. Denis Roman Catholic Church
- St. Katharine of Siena Parish
- St. Luke United Methodist Church
- St. Margaret Parish
- St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Wayne
- St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
- St. Peter's in the Great Valley
- The Baptist Church the Great Valley
- The Church of St. Monica
- United Church of Christ at Valley Forge
- Valley Forge Presbyterian Church
- Wayne United Methodist Church
- Zion Baptist Church of Ardmore



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- Connelly Foundation
- Family Promise National
- Fox Chase Bank Charitable Fund
- Genuardi Family Foundation
- Henry E. Niles Foundation
- Merck Foundation
- Montgomery County Housing Authority
- Neighborhood League Shops Foundation, Inc.
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- Norfolk Southern Foundation
- PA Dept of Human Services
- Stratton Foundation
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- The McLean Contributionship
- The Scholler Foundation
- TJX Foundation
- Vanguard
- Welsh Family Foundation

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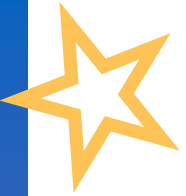
- Community Development Block Grant
- Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP)



## Community Groups

- Beds for Kids
- Bristol-Myers Squibb
- Bryn Mawr Rotary
- Bucks County Intermediate Unit
- Building Impact
- Campbell's Soup Company
- Catherine's Kitchen, LLC
- Colebrook Community
- Cradles to Crayons
- Delaware Valley Concrete Company
- Don't Stall Just Call
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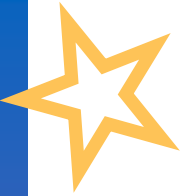
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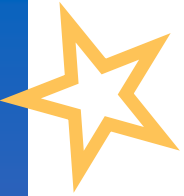
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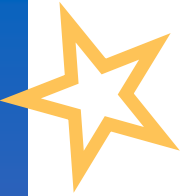
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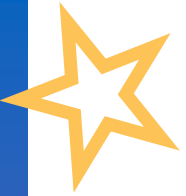
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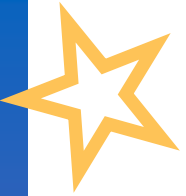
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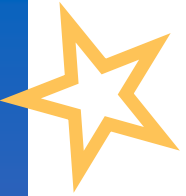
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## JOIN IN AND HELP END HOMELESSNESS FOR A FAMILY

**There are many ways to help! Join in by volunteering, providing items for families from the Wish List, or with a financial donation.**

- **Volunteer:** You can [volunteer](#) at a Host Congregation or with a Support Congregations as well as with fundraising or special events.
- **Wish List Items:** The Wish List has items families need to make the journey out of homelessness.
- **Donate:** Make a gift securely online at <https://fpmainline.org/get-involved/> and consider becoming a recurring giving member to spread your giving throughout the year, sustaining our work in the dollar amount of your choice. Check the “make this a recurring gift” box.

**Or send your check to:**

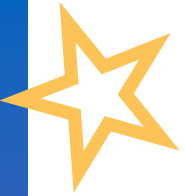
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### Ways to Give:

- **Recommend a grant from your Donor-Advised Fund!** You can use your Donor Advised Fund (DAF) to make a one-time gift or to create a recurring monthly or quarterly gift for even more impact.
- **Gifts of Appreciated Securities.** You can use stocks, bonds and mutual funds that have appreciated in value to support our shared vision. You may receive a charitable income tax deduction for the full market value of the stock (up to a maximum of 30% of your adjusted gross income) and avoid paying capital gains tax on any increase in the value of the stock. For questions, please contact [executivedirector@fpmainline.org](mailto:executivedirector@fpmainline.org)
- **Give from your retirement assets.** If you turn age 73 or over in 2024, you may give a gift from your IRA as a tax-free distribution to a qualified charity. This means an amount (up to \$100,000 annually) transferred from your IRA directly to a charity like Family Promise can count toward your required minimum distribution without being considered taxable income for you. The deduction then lowers your adjusted gross income (AGI). The distribution, also known as an IRA Charitable Rollover, is authorized by Section 408(d)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code. As a qualified charitable IRA rollover, the gift must be transferred from a traditional IRA directly to a qualified public charity like Family Promise and must be completed during the applicable tax year.



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