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Our mission is to educate, empower, and enrich vulnerable individuals and families through interconnected programs that address immediate needs while fostering self-sufficiency and generational stability.

- Senior Program
- Youth Programs
- Transitional Housing
- Food Pantry
- Clothing Closet
- Volunteer Opportunities

### Mission-Driven

The Senior Activities for Independent Living Program meets the immediate physical, social, and intellectual needs of at-risk seniors. Whether delivering food and care to isolated seniors or providing daily enrichment, we want our elders to feel seen, connected, and cared for.



We believe that empowered youth become empowered adults. Through our after-school program, summer enrichment camps, mentoring, and life skills training, we equip underserved youth with the tools necessary to break cycles of poverty, stay in school, and pursue higher education and employment.

### 2025 Statistics

**16,625** meals served to **83** congregate and homebound seniors

**245** individuals received free clothing from the Clothing Closet

**49%** of after school participants increased math averages and **41%** increased reading literacy averages

**8,075** individuals in the community received food boxes distributed by The Joseph Project Food Pantry



Website



Donate



Volunteer



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[www.dumaswesley.org](http://www.dumaswesley.org)



The Sybil Smith Family Village and the Baldwin Family Village provide transitional housing for women and children experiencing homelessness. In addition to safe housing, residents have access to wraparound services like case management, mental health counseling, job readiness, parenting classes, and financial literacy.

*Our work isn't a temporary fix—it's a generational solution—one that rebuilds lives, restores hope, and reclaims dignity!*



## Eligibility

- Homeless and 24 years of age or older
- Able to work or enroll in school
- Willing to live in a drug- and alcohol-free environment
- Participate in a case management plan

## Causes of Homelessness in 2025

- **49%** fleeing domestic violence
- **38%** eviction due to job loss or financial insecurity
- **8%** substance abuse disorder
- **3%** medical crisis
- **2%** living in a place not fit for human habitation

## 2025 Statistics

**28,008** bednights for **254** women and children

**3,488** individualized case management sessions and **168** life skills classes

**94%** success rate among residents who completed the program in 2025 and moved into permanent housing (**34%** higher than the national average, according to HUD)

**2%** of graduates returned to homelessness, compared to the national recidivism rate of **19%**