The mission of the Elizabeth Stone House is to serve homeless families and individuals in a goal-oriented, outcome-driven service environment by resolving the issues that made them homeless – domestic violence, substance abuse, and mental illness – so that they can attain and maintain permanent housing, personal safety, and economic stability.

Stone House families need your holiday help
Each year we ask you to give our families happier holidays. The majority of our parents are already burdened by the everyday struggle to provide for their children and simply cannot afford the added expenses of the season. But these families still want, and deserve to have, joyous celebrations.

Will you help them again this holiday season? Only with your generosity can the Elizabeth Stone House provide gifts, and memories, for hundreds of families.

Here’s how you can give our adults, teens and children holidays to remember:
- Donate a grocery store gift card
- Donate gifts/host a gift drive (all gifts must be new and unwrapped)
- Donate gift cards/host a gift card drive
- Donate reusable department store shopping bags
- Host a fundraising party with neighbors, colleagues, family or friends

The Elizabeth Stone House requests to have all donations by December 7, 2015. For more information and to get involved, please contact Rebecca Allen at rallen@elizabethstone.org or 617-409-5407.

Thank You & Congratulations to the participants and sponsors of the 20th annual Wilderness Heals pledge hike!
The 2015 hike has raised almost $200,000 thus far for Elizabeth Stone House families!

We extend our deepest thanks to all of you who joined us for this milestone year - the women who hiked, the women and men who hiked virtually, the SOLES volunteers, the event sponsors and the hundreds of supporters!

A special thank you to our Champion sponsor Natixis Global Asset Management, the primary event sponsor for the fifth consecutive year!

Save the date for Wilderness Heals 2016: July 15-17, 2016

2015 Service Synopsis
Over the course of the last year, Elizabeth Stone House staff have worked with hundreds of individuals and families. Here is a by-the-numbers count of who we served:

- 672 individuals – 394 adults and 278 children – received services from the Elizabeth Stone House from July 2014 to June 2015.
- 21 adults & 28 children found safety and support in our domestic violence shelter.
- 35 adults & 48 children had the opportunity to work toward finding permanent housing as residents in our transitional housing program.
- 140 children received therapeutic childcare & related services from the Parent Child Center.
- 278 children & 117 adults received holiday gifts and school clothes.
- 148 adults had the opportunity to learn money-management skills in our financial literacy classes.
- 392 adults participated in support groups and received other support services.

Serving Our Community Better
When you think of the Elizabeth Stone House, there’s a good chance our shelter services come to mind. But did you know that 80% of the people we serve never live with us? They live in our community, often with or near their batterers.

Over 3,000 domestic violence incidents are reported to the police each year in our neighborhood. Many of the victims come to us for help. There will never be enough shelter beds to house all these victims, but we are committed to helping them find safety and stability. Over the last few years, we have expanded services for community-based clients; and in July, we created a separate department to address their needs.

All the services available to our shelter and transitional housing residents are now available to community members – safety planning, support groups, housing search and stabilization, financial literacy classes and counseling on mental health issues, education, job search, and personal finances. We now visit many clients in their homes, and all of these services are now available in Spanish.
Let us introduce you...

The Elizabeth Stone House continues to expand services in an effort to more effectively serve our current clients and meet more community demand. Over the last few months, we’ve made significant progress in expansion by adding new staff positions to our team. Meet the people who have taken on these new roles!

**Page Clark, Director of Community Programs**

In July, Page Clark was promoted from Community Stabilization Case Manager to the new position of Director of Community Programs where she provides individual therapy and case management to community members and oversees the operation of her department. She holds a Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology from Lesley University and a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Social and Political Systems from Pine Manor College.

**Stacy Mottley, Parent Child Center Teacher**

Stacy Mottley came to the Stone House's Parent Child Center as a part-time employee in the spring of 2014 and has transitioned into a full-time role as Parent Child Center Teacher. Stacy is now responsible for providing high-quality childcare that meets the unique needs of children that have experienced multiple traumas. She is an EEC licensed infant/toddler and preschool teacher, and is currently working towards an associate's degree in psychology at Quincy College.

**Yuri Pimentel, Spanish-Language Community Stabilization Case Manager**

The Stone House welcomed Yuri Pimentel as Spanish-Language Community Stabilization Case Manager in July, as our first staff member to provide emergency intervention, case management and stabilization services to Spanish-speaking community members. Prior to joining the Stone House team, Yuri worked at Planned Parenthood and the McGrath House in Boston, and is currently finishing her Bachelor of Arts degree at UMass Boston.

**Virginia Ruiz, Parent Child Center Teacher**

Beginning this August, Virginia Ruiz was promoted from part-time Childcare Facilitator to full-time Parent Child Center Teacher. Like Stacy, Virginia is part of a critical team that designs and implements therapeutic childcare strategies to serve our child population. She is an EEC certified Lead Teacher for Preschool.