



# Anne-Marie House

Ending Homelessness One Family At A Time

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### 5K Walk/Run to Benefit Children and Families Experiencing Homelessness

*All proceeds to benefit Anne-Marie House in Hudson*

Nashua, NH – August 9, 2011 -- With homelessness in New Hampshire on the rise in recent years, walkers, runners and community members will come together on Sunday, September 18, 2011 at First Baptist Church in Nashua to fundraise and find a solution to the growing problem. The event, the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Anne-Marie House 5K Walk/Run, will benefit Anne-Marie House (AMH), a transitional housing program for children and families in greater Nashua experiencing homelessness.

Since 2005, Anne-Marie House has served the needs of local children and families experiencing homelessness by providing safe and temporary housing, wholesome meals, transportation, continuing education and other support services such as parenting classes and financial literacy workshops. Nearly 90% of Anne-Marie House families achieve independent and sustainable housing and nearly 90 cents of every dollar donated to AMH directly supports resident families and children.

Pre-registration is \$20 per person and \$25 on the day of the event. Day-of registration begins at 1:00PM in the First Baptist Church parking lot at 121 Manchester Street in Nashua. Walkers will get a head start at 2:15PM and runners will depart at 3:00PM. Participants are encouraged to register at [www.annemariehouse.org/5Krace](http://www.annemariehouse.org/5Krace) and raise pledges to benefit Anne-Marie House.

Event highlights include 2008 Beijing Olympic race-walker Joanne Dow, medals to top finishers in each age group, t-shirts for the first 200 participants, free post-race chowder courtesy of Weathervane Seafood Restaurant, live entertainment, and a special series of educational grants provided by a generous outside donor for participants walking on behalf of a school.

To register or more information, visit [www.annemariehouse.org/5Krace](http://www.annemariehouse.org/5Krace) or contact Jennifer Lorrain, Anne-Marie House Director of Development, at (603) 883-7338, ext. 5 or [jennifer.lorrain@annemariehouse.org](mailto:jennifer.lorrain@annemariehouse.org).

### About Anne-Marie House

Anne-Marie House (AMH), a transitional housing program located in Hudson, NH, is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the needs of children and families experiencing homelessness. AMH does this by providing safe and secure transitional housing, wholesome meals, transportation, continuing education and other support services such as parenting classes and financial literacy programs. Nearly 90% of our families achieve independent and sustainable housing.

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