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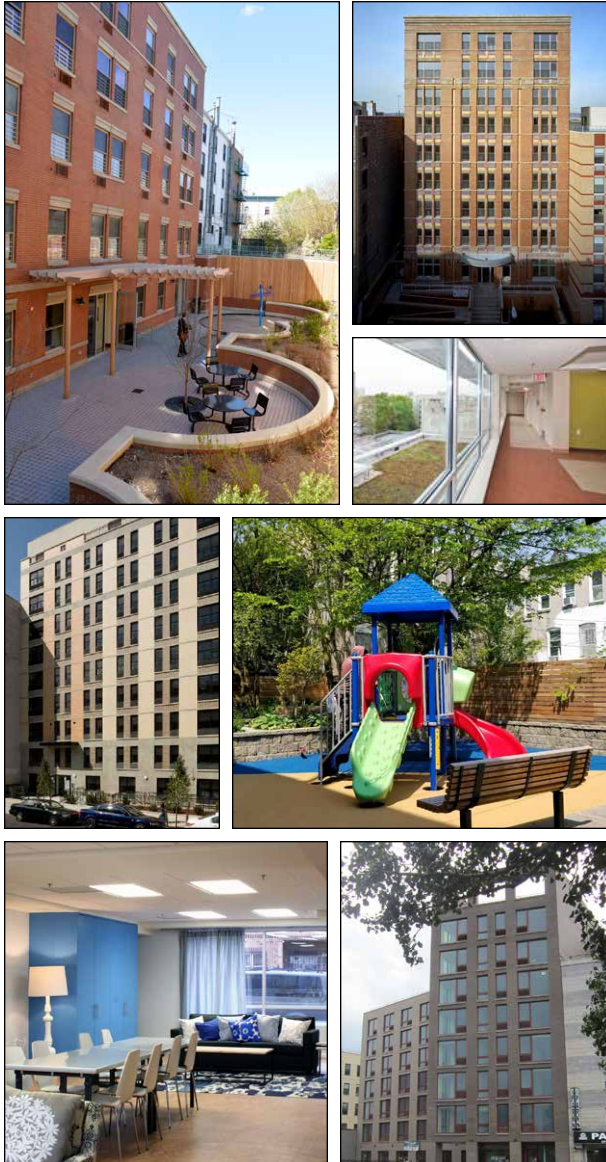
New Destiny's mission is to end the cycle of violence for low-income families and individuals experiencing homelessness and domestic violence by connecting them to safe, permanent housing and services. To achieve our mission, we build and manage housing with on-site services; offer innovative programs that empower victims of abuse to find and retain affordable housing; and expand access to permanent housing resources for low-income families.

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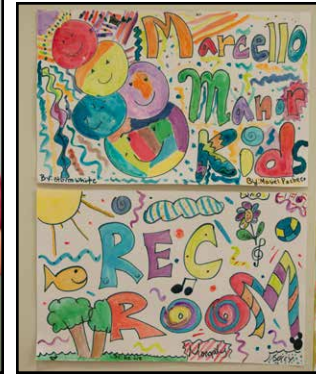
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(From top left): Bainbridge Manor, Marcello Manor, The Anderson showing green roof, The Morris, Bainbridge playground, The Anderson community room, The Jennings.



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Over 40% of New York City's homeless families are living in shelters because of domestic abuse. The maximum length of a stay in a domestic violence shelter is only six months and few residents are able to obtain permanent housing before their shelter stay ends.*

FOR 27 YEARS, New Destiny has been the city's leading advocate for the permanent housing needs of domestic violence survivors—and the only developer specifically committed to creating affordable apartments with access to appropriate services for this population. Our unique perspective as both a housing developer and service provider allows us to create housing and programs to help survivors transition from crisis, remain safe and rebuild their lives. *New Destiny's work is a strategy to end family violence as well as a front-line response to the city's ongoing crisis of family homelessness.*

*Office of New York City Comptroller, Report: Housing Survivors: How New York City Can Increase Housing Stability for Survivors of Domestic Violence (2019)

Housing Development is central to New Destiny's mission. Since our launch as an independent organization in 1994, New Destiny has developed 16 residential projects in four boroughs, creating 347 permanent and transitional units. Six are affordable rental projects with on-site services. More than 50% of the units are set aside for domestic violence survivors coming from a New York City domestic violence shelter.

The **Family Support Program** is the cornerstone of New Destiny's permanent affordable housing, helping previously homeless low-income survivors of domestic violence, primarily single mothers of color with one or two children. Tailored to the needs of domestic violence survivors, New Destiny's trauma-informed service model helps tenants to remain stably housed, promotes family unity, builds community and fosters self-sufficiency. The program offers a wide range of services to more than 500 adults and children. With support from on-site staff, residents make tangible improvement to their lives such as completing their education or securing better employment.

HousingLink is an innovative homelessness prevention program that is offered at New York City Family Justice Centers (FJs) in each of the five boroughs. HousingLink connects domestic violence survivors who are clients at the FJs, which serve thousands of survivors each year, to affordable apartments in existing buildings. By preventing a shelter stay, HousingLink helps survivors and their children to avoid the trauma and disruption resulting from homelessness. HousingLink conducts workshops for both survivors and advocates on housing options and rental subsidies; provides one-on-one assistance to address barriers to housing; helps individuals prepare strong rental applications; and offers aftercare support to foster housing stability. HousingLink has connected 170 families to high-quality, affordable housing and 97% have remained stable one or more years.

With over 160,000 visitors annually, New Destiny's online **Housing Resource Center** is the "go to" resource for individuals and advocates, providing up-to-date information on a range of topics including finding affordable housing, rental assistance resources and eviction prevention.