

Thanks to the Student Councils, students, faculty and parents at **Greenville Senior High School and J.L. Mann Academy**, two GAIHN families are thriving in first-class transitional housing. Using funds donated from the 2007 Spirit Week events at both schools, GAIHN has secured two houses for homeless families to occupy temporarily as they seek increased income, permanent housing, and self-sufficiency.



The **Greenville Senior High School** “Spirit Week 2007 House” (below, left) is located at 6 Sturtevant Street, near Freetown (in the GSHS service area). This wonderful two bedroom house is now home to a GAIHN family, a single dad with three daughters. They enjoy the fenced-in yard and proximity to amenities on White Horse Road.



In January we secured the use of the house at 143 Scarlett Street as the **J.L. Mann Academy** “Spirit Week 2007 House.” The family living there is a couple with their five children. Both the father and mother are recent graduates of the wonderful Culinary Arts Program at Project Host Soup Kitchen. This house is located just one block off South Pleasantburg, near Greenville Tech (in the JLMA service area). It is very convenient to public transportation and other community services.

GAIHN provides ongoing supportive services to the families who live in these “Spirit Week 2007 Houses,” including a cellular telephone, a monthly food supplement, and superb case management.

Last August in this column I wrote, “...the J.L. Mann High and Greenville High learning communities are collaborating to help families with children literally go from living in their cars to living in homes of their own. Together, these ardent on-field rivals are becoming effective off-field partners, all for the greater good of Greater Greenville.” These two houses will provide shelter, warmth, and haven for homeless families for years to come, thanks to the creativity, ingenuity, and authentic compassion of these students and their leaders.

Thank you, Red Raiders and Patriots, for your partnership in helping homeless families find their way *home!*

