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Paper Title: Impact of the Economic Crisis on Greek Family Issues

Abstract: The family unit has traditionally been the main social net for Greeks. After the recent economic crisis, however, families struggle to provide for members. Homelessness has increased 25%, and unemployment has reached 27.2%, the highest in Europe. This paper discusses the family welfare dynamic in light of these economic changes and hardships. The analysis focuses overall on how the government, church, local community, and family unit are responding to welfare needs. The paper presents the challenges imposed by the government on nonprofit organizations and grassroots efforts. Next, the study considers the limits to the traditional family unit in providing resources to Greeks. The paper then discusses the social welfare services in Greece as they relate to domestic violence, child protection, and homelessness. In reflecting on these challenges to families, the paper calls for more government support of social efforts.