





Housing For Hope Collaborative

A collaborative project in partnership with The Foodbank, Inc., Miami Valley Housing Opportunities (MVHO) and OneFifteen to provide a path to success with a stable living situation for the most underserved people in our community, with pathways to employment and services.

Goals:

To provide access to safe, permanent, affordable housing and supportive services in a community setting for individuals who are homeless, continuing their path to recovery, and to serve individuals who have been involved with the criminal justice system.

Total Request:

\$6.5 Million to build 30 housing units; secure safe affordable apartments with rental support and provide recovery support for people in recovery, reentering society after incarceration or those who have been involved with the criminal justice system, and those who are experiencing homelessness.

Project Overview:

For years our agencies continue to serve many of the same people. We refer clients to each other, support each other's missions, and strive toward many of the same goals.

As we work to achieve our missions and meet the community's needs, all three of our organizations see that stable, affordable, and permanent housing is one of the biggest barriers to sustained success in their journeys; and one that is nearly insurmountable for many of the people we serve.

This proposed project aims to address this barrier by leveraging our organization's strengths to alter the landscape of Dayton's affordable housing options, and avoid duplication of efforts.

Housing and employment are the strongest predictors of success for those we serve.

For people in recovery, people reentering society after incarceration or those who have been involved with the criminal justice system, and for people who are homeless or who lack financial resources, housing and employment are uniquely connected. If a person doesn't have housing and a permanent address, they often can't get a job. Without stable employment, it is impossible to be considered for or afford permanent housing. This is a difficult cycle to break for the people we serve in our collaborative, and can become a path to chronic homelessness, relapse, and recidivism.







We know one size does not fit all

To make a significant community impact, our collaborative experience demonstrates the need for a project that creates a system of housing options to fit the unique needs of the people we serve. For some, a supportive home environment with other people in recovery, while others may benefit more from a small "tiny' home in a supportive neighborhood.

We propose a network that initially includes:

- At least twenty-five (25) cottage homes for people who are homeless.
- At least five (5) sober living houses (SLH) for people in recovery,
- Employment assistance
- Phased approach for rental assistance for safe affordable apartments, and financial literacy with the goal to provide permanent housing

The five sober living houses built in the Carillon neighborhood will house a total of 25 individuals in recovery, at a time. Each home will contain five bedrooms, with common living areas, and include outdoor space. They will continue to have a recovery treatment plan with wraparound services while they are living in the sober living home. OneFifteen is already breaking ground on the first of these houses and, with the support of the Carillon Neighborhood, is transforming the area. Together this collaboration the goal is to provide paths from rent-based-housing to property ownership. The houses will be designed and built by local firms.

The 25 individual cottages will be managed by MVHO. Each unit will be constructed with durable finishes and materials that can be easily maintained. MVHO will work collaboratively with the City of Dayton to determine the site. It will be large enough to provide space for outdoor activities with a "community center" that will provide access to services, on-site case management, and serve as a gathering space for entertainment and recreation. The projected cost per unit is substantially lower than the cost per unit in current tax credit multifamily developments. The units will be designed and built by local firms.

With the goal of securing permanent housing, rental assistance will be provided to help cover the costs of first month's rent in safe affordable apartments for those who have achieved employment. The program is designed as a step-down rental assistance support for the first six months of the rental agreement while The Foodbank, Inc. support team works to provide financial literacy and debt bundling. Once an individual has completed the debt bundling and financial literacy programming and is ready for permanent housing, The Foodbank, Inc. will assist down payment support to support the individual in purchasing an affordable and safe home.

Connected Pathways and Services.

Each partner brings a unique strength to the table and hits a different point on the pathway to recovery, reentry and ultimately personal success.







Through the Pathways HUB model individuals most in need will connect to housing, employment, and recovery services. MVHO has been providing outreach services in Montgomery County for over 20 years and will managed and provide services to residents of the tiny home village. MVHO works closely with law enforcement and other community partners to find and serve individuals living on the street, or other places not fit for human habitation. This expertise coupled with knowledge of the resources in the community provides a rich service offering for tiny home residents. MVHO has been managing and maintaining housing for underserved populations for over 30 years and is willing to share that expertise by providing property management services to housing developed by the collaborative.

The Foodbank, Inc. will provide food, employment opportunities and first and last month's rent, as well as step down rental support as needed for those employed. One fifteen will provide recovery support through telehubs at each housing location and on their campus.

Each organization works with the HUB differently, but together we maintain a continuum of care.

Lastly, an advisory group from all three organizations will be formed to maintain the high standards these populations deserve and make sure people are getting the services they desperately need.

Project Impact.

The collaborative targets those who are at greatest need and risk. It builds new connections and services for this population.

This program will move people off the street, into treatment/recovery, and to employment. It will create sustained, housing for at least 75 people, which translates into a total investment of \$28k per person per year, over a three period. Once built, the units and system can be sustained by the collaborative partners.

As a return on community investment, the Housing for Hope program will reduce the burden our community currently faces in terms of policing, emergency services, and the incalculable human costs associated with homelessness, addiction, and recidivism. Most importantly, this collaboration is ready to start almost immediately, with many portions of the project already in process. We can reach our goals of full occupancy in 24 months.

Partnering Organizations:

The Foodbank, Inc.: Our mission is to 'Eliminate hunger and its root causes'. Food and related supplies are distributed to a network of over 100 food pantries, community kitchens, shelters and other charitable programs, all of which support the health and development of food-insecure







individuals in Montgomery, Greene, and Preble Counties. The root causes that The Foodbank, Inc. works to address include: re-entry and fair hiring practices, health equity, and advocacy. The Foodbank, Inc. has been in operation since 1976, and represents the largest emergency hunger relief network in our community.

Miami Valley Housing Opportunities (MVHO): MVHO has been developing multifamily housing to provide permanent supportive housing for formerly homeless disabled individuals and families in Montgomery County for 34 years. Over those years, MVHO has developed experience working with governmental agencies at federal, state, and local levels. MVHO has administered the largest grant (\$3M) awarded to the Montgomery County Homeless Continuum of Care for over 20 years. MVHO has also gained experience working with a variety of populations, including street homeless, those reentering after a period of incarceration, and those in recovery. Today, MVHO houses and serves over 1,500 citizens in property it owns and manages, and in property owned by private landlords. The goal is to provide as many housing units as possible to address the growing homelessness issue facing our community.

OneFifteen: OneFifteen supports the full and sustained recovery of people experiencing opioid addiction and other substance use disorders. It includes two organizations: OneFifteen Health, which manages the treatment and care of patients in recovery through a partnership with our clinical providers, and OneFifteen Recovery, which partners with clinical providers and coordinates community-based wraparound services to support patients as they transition back to everyday life. OneFifteen's 4.5-acre campus provides a continuum of care for people in recovery, including a crisis stabilization facility, residential treatment and housing, an outpatient treatment center, group activity rooms, fitness centers, and outdoor green spaces with walking paths.



1 November 2023

Dear Marti Taylor,

I am writing to you in support of the Housing For Hope Project. I have enjoyed working side-byside with OneFifteen for many years to support the establishment of OneFifteen and the creation of its 5-acre campus in the Carillon neighborhood of Dayton.

OneFifteen understands that it is not enough to simply treat substance use disorder (SUD) but to also look at the social determinants of health that play a critical role in recovery. Investing in the Carillon-Edgemont neighborhood by removing blight and building new sober living homes will significantly improve the quality of life of people in recovery and for residents in these neighborhoods. Effectively treating SUD and supporting recovery is critical to supporting people in need in our communities as well as the economic development efforts in our communities. This area of Dayton has been hit hard by the drug epidemic, and together we can make meaningful change by supporting this project.

This type of investment will mean transformational change for the residents of this community. Houses of Hope is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to make a lasting impact for Dayton. I urge you to give full consideration to OneFifteen in their request for funding for Houses of Hope, and look forward to seeing this project succeed.

Sincerely,



1 November 2023

Dear Marti Taylor,

I am writing to you in support of OneFifteen's Housing For Hope Project. This project will provide access to safe, permanent, affordable housing in a community setting for individuals in recovery. OneFifteen is already breaking ground on one house and, with the support of the Carillon Neighborhood, is transforming the area for the residents of this community. Housing of Hope is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to make a lasting impact for Dayton. I urge you to give full consideration to OneFifteen in their request for funding for this endeavor.

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Chair of the OneFifteen Recovery Board



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10/20/2021

Dear ARPA Committee,

My name is Gwen Buchanan and I am the President of the Carillon Civic Council. I am writing to you on behalf of OneFifteen and their proposed Houses of Hope project.

I have spent my entire life living, working, and playing alongside the residents of the Carillon community. I was raised in Carillon, raised my children in Carillon, and now my daughter has returned to the neighborhood as a young professional in Dayton.

It is my honor to support and promote the Houses of Hope project as a truly transformational project in the city of Dayton. As a primarily Black neighborhood, the residents of Carillon have been hit hard by the impact of COVID-19. Health disparities that plagued our community were brought to the forefront when more Black residents were contracting and dying from the virus in disproportionate numbers. Our neighborhood was also hit hard by joblessness and rising addiction numbers that also disproportionately impacted Black and Brown communities.

Houses of Hope is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to make a lasting impact on this neighborhood that I love. New, affordable housing will attract more young professionals and families to Carillon. Recovery housing will allow OneFifteen to continue its mission of healing people experiencing substance use disorder through learning, science, and partnership. Property values will increase for all residents as blight is removed and replaced by beautiful new homes.

I urge you to give full consideration to OneFifteen in their request for \$3.5 million for Houses of Hope. This investment in the Carillon community will impact generations to come.

Sincerely

Gwen Buchaman

President, Carillon Civic Council