



ST. FRANCIS HOUSE

The Homelessness to Hope Campaign

HOMELESSNESS *to* HOPE



The new St. Francis House will house 120 guests, with men and women in separate wings. An expanded dining hall and common areas are in the center.

EXPANDING OPPORTUNITIES

By the time Dan left St. Francis House, he had saved \$9,000 “to start my life over.” He is just one of many who have found at St. Francis House a path from homelessness to self-sufficiency.

We are now seeking to expand. The Homelessness to Hope Campaign will build a new \$5.5M facility at its current location and expand our capacity from 80 individuals to 120.



The Kitchen. We frequently receive donations of food and other goods. Nothing is wasted. Anything beyond our need is shared with other area providers.



Rooms will be dormitory style, two guests per room, with common restrooms at the center of each wing.

THE NEW FACILITY

The new two-story facility will provide 60 double-occupancy rooms for singles, with 30 rooms in the men's wing and 30 rooms in the women's wing. Offices, program space, kitchen and dining hall are in the center commons.

Participants in a 2016-17 feasibility study asked whether St. Francis House considered renovation of existing facilities. "We looked at the possibility of renovating our existing house," explains Julie Becker, Executive Director. "It just wasn't practical. Our main house was built as a convent for 12 sisters. It was never intended to house the number of people we currently serve."



Dining Hall

HOMELESSNESS IN SIOUX FALLS

South Dakota Housing for the Homeless counts the homeless in Sioux Falls every January. From 2017 to 2018 the number increased from 955 to 1,159. Nearly a fifth are children.

THE BEGINNING

St. Francis House was founded as an ecumenical endeavor 31 years ago when the Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls and First Lutheran Church came together. The late Bishop Paul Dudley provided the land and building. First Lutheran Church, through Pastor David Holm, provided the funds to run the operation. Together, the two worked side-by-side to make the startup a reality.

WHAT MAKES ST. FRANCIS HOUSE UNIQUE?

We move people from homelessness to self-sufficiency.

- We are transitional housing. Guests typically stay from 60 days to as much as a year.
- Zero tolerance policy for drugs, alcohol and gambling.
- All guests must work. There are 72 local businesses that regularly employ our people.
- Guests are required to make payments on debt, child support or court-ordered restitution.
- Because they pay a modest fee to stay at the house, guests learn to budget for rent.
- Guests save money for a 'starter fund' for their own apartment.

OVER THE YEARS

Over the years St. Francis House expanded its footprint through the purchase of adjacent homes on the block. The final "piece of the puzzle" came together this year when the Diocese of Sioux Falls offered to graciously donate the existing building and land to St. Francis House, a separate 501 (c) 3 corporation.

"This campaign will dramatically increase the number of people who move from homelessness to self-sufficiency," remarked Jim Soukup, co-chair of the campaign. "It's a hand up, not a hand out."



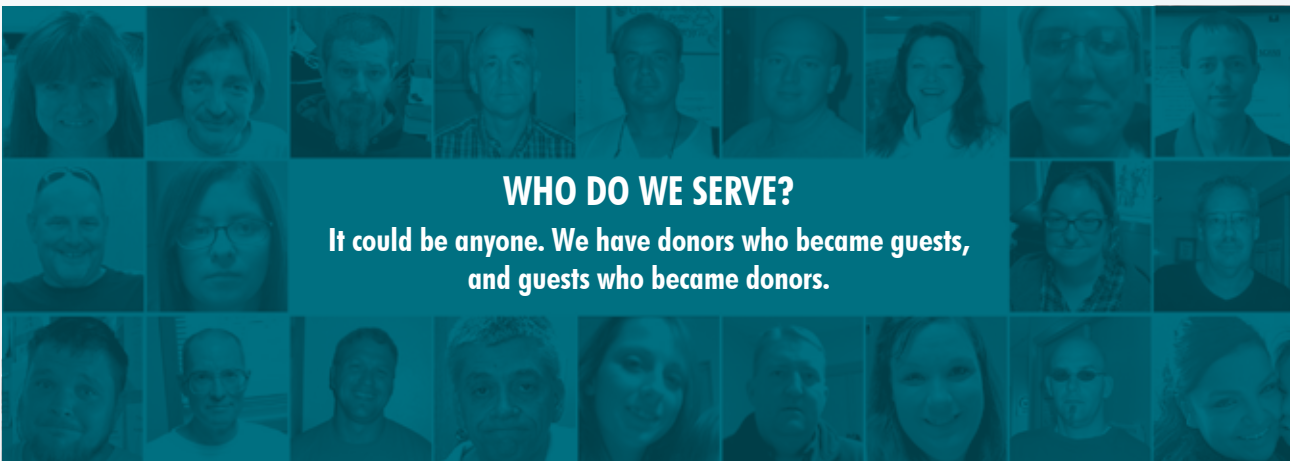
The current St. Francis House was formerly a convent. Built in 1956 for 12 sisters, it now houses 22 men and 30 women.



At present, ten women are bunked in a single 20' by 15' room in the main house.



In November 2014, we purchased the Sherman House. This allowed us to serve an additional nine men.



WHO DO WE SERVE?

It could be anyone. We have donors who became guests, and guests who became donors.



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“With God, all things are possible.” (Mt 19:26)

The cost of the new 120-bed home, including furniture, fixtures and equipment is \$5.5M. The table below illustrates our path to success

Monthly Payment	X 60 Months	= Total Gift Amount	X Number of Gifts Needed	= Sub Totals
		\$500,000	4	\$2,000,000
		\$250,000	4	\$1,000,000
		\$100,000	6	\$600,000
\$1,000.00	60	\$60,000	10	\$600,000
\$500.00	60	\$30,000	13	\$390,000
\$200.00	60	\$12,000	25	\$300,000
\$100.00	60	\$6,000	40	\$240,000
\$58.00	60	\$3,480	50	\$174,000
\$42.00	60	\$2,520	80	\$201,600
GRAND TOTAL				\$5,505,600

SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN

To support the campaign, indicate your intentions on a pledge form.

- The pledge period is up to five years.
- Within that time frame you may set up a monthly, quarterly or annual payment plan.
- If you like, we will issue periodic pledge reminders via mail or email.
- Make checks payable to St. Francis House. Write “Homelessness to Hope Campaign” in the memo line, and send to the address below.

Gifts are tax deductible as provided by law. With recent changes to the tax law, consult your tax advisor for help with special ways to give.

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