Request from Home of New Vision

Introduction

Home of New Vision (HNV) is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization that was founded in December 1996. HNV was founded by a recovering woman and her recovering father, to assist others in finding recovery. With over 20 years of providing substance use disorder treatment, HNV provides gender specific programs and services to empower, protect, encourage, and enrich the lives of men, women, their families, and communities affected by the disease of addiction. HNV is committed to promoting change and awareness, reducing stigma and shame, by providing a better understanding of recovery.

Our philosophy believes that a Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) coupled with relational and empowerment models in our therapeutic services acknowledge that community and peer connections are fundamental to the growth, recovery, and healing of addiction. At Home of New Vision, we encourage the development of mutually supportive and empathetic bonds with others and the community system. We have found that this assists in developing a healthier definition of self, autonomy and competency. We recognize that individuals with substance use disorders are not only faced with the difficulties of recovering from addiction, but that they must also contend with systematic biases, and oppression related to gender, ethnicity, economic status, sexual orientation, gender identification, marital and parental status. The ROSC approach not only addresses the importance of community connections and peers, it also identifies the importance of systems as it relates to recovery and the stigmatization of substance use disorder. We find that when these issues are addressed, there is a correlation with higher self-esteem and self-sufficiency.

HNV began services as a single recovery home for women. HNV now provides substance abuse and co-occurring disorders treatment for men, women and adolescents. HNV provides a wide spectrum of services including: outpatient, co-occurring substance and mental health treatment, peer recovery support and peer case management, residential, detoxification, case management, recovery residences, education, peer recovery supports, assessment and referral, SBIRT, stand-alone mental health services, and early intervention for people seeking recovery from addiction. Home of New Vision also provides a Community Case Management, Peer Recovery Support and Recovery Resource Center in Jackson, Michigan. HNV’s treatment, case management and peer programs are licensed by the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, for outpatient, CAIT, SARF, Case Management, Early Intervention, Residential/Detoxification, Peer Recovery and Support and Integrated Treatment. All are licensed programs and are nationally accredited by CARF. The Engagement Center is CARF accredited as crisis intervention.

All services and projects conducted by Home of New Vision take place in a strategic planning framework that includes attention to assessing the needs of our consumers and constituencies; assessing and building capacity for the benefit of our consumers; attention to the priorities in our agency strategic plan that is developed every 3 years and then reviewed by the Board of Directors and Leadership team throughout the year; researching and applying evidence based practices and using outcome and evaluation to drive services, as evidenced by the results of our extensive data collection and analysis.

Current Need:

In 2014, after 17 years of providing services in Washtenaw County for people with Substance Use and Mental Health Disorders, Home of New Vision was able to purchase our own building. After years of operating with the focus on the client, being fiscally responsible, gaining trust from our funders and a proven track record of keeping administrative costs down, the Ferrentino Foundation awarded HNV a $50,000.00 down payment for a building in Washtenaw County. The building, located at 3115 Professional Drive, is a 6000 square foot building with two floors. The first floor has been remodeled for functionality while the second floor is only partially useful.

Home of New Vision is seeking funds to complete the second floor of our building. In order to expand services and address an ever increasing community need, more space is needed to house peers and program staff. Substance use, especially opiate addiction, is at crisis levels. HNV wishes to convert storage and currently unusable space on the 2nd floor of our building into usable program space, where additional staff and peers can assist clients in need of services.

It is imperative that HNV have the facilities to be able to train staff, provide additional office and meeting space by expanding our facility. By doing so, we can continue to provide valuable services to meet the growing needs of our community.

In order to make the space appropriate for service delivery, the second floor of our building needs an air conditioning unit; a wall constructed to separate a storage area and floor coverings to make it into usable conference room space, installation of 2nd story windows and purchase of office furniture. The described renovations would allow for additional office space, meeting rooms and classrooms. It is anticipated that these physical plant changes would allow us to double our services.

Our community, specifically Washtenaw County, is struggling to find options to address the opiate crisis, which is raging all over the United States. Washtenaw County is not immune from the repercussions and treatment and support options are outstripped by the need for services. One effort HNV is engaged in, is the *Opioid Overdose Response Team*. In partnership with Washtenaw County Community Mental Health, local health systems, the Washtenaw County Sherriff’s Department and HVA, this is a vital link in getting clients into treatment after they have experienced an overdose. Working quickly, with the hospital staff, we hope to be able to provide continuity of care for clients in crisis.

HNV’s current, usable, space is filled. With your help to expand our facility, the Opioid Overdose Response Team, along with other peer directed programs and services will have the space necessary to help address the opiate crisis and related needs for people in Washtenaw County.

We are requesting $75,000.00 in bricks and mortar funding to increase our space.

Thank you for considering our request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I would welcome the opportunity to share more about HNV and our efforts to combat addiction in our community.