AN INVITATION TO LEARN MORE

Join us for one of our free Community
Luncheons & Tours in 2023 (April 19,
May 17, June 21, July 19, Aug 16, Sep 20,
Oct 18, Nov 15, Dec 20). We provide
lunch, and Annam + Rachel lead a
conversation about our current work and
vision, followed by a tour of the
campus, including Hope Village.

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STAY UPDATED WITH THE HEART SERIES VLOG

Our CEO Annam Manthiram recently launched a weekly 'vlog' series of short video messages on YouTube. Please like and subscribe to hear regularly from her about our work.

ENHANCING CLIENT VOICE

HopeWorks is establishing a Client Advisory Board (CAB) of current and recently graduated clients. The CAB will meet regularly to provide input and help shape the agency; clients with lived experience will have an enhanced voice as our agency continues to grow. We anticipate the board will begin meeting in March 2023.







We're working with MediaDesk to build a new website. Watch for an announcement soon!



HopeWorks is moving away from the rhetoric of "ending homelessness," which puts the burden on the individual, to "healing homelessness," which incorporates diversity, equity, inclusion, and social justice values as a means of understanding homelessness. When even one person remains unhoused, we all suffer. We cannot "end" racism or trauma overnight, but we can heal, if we do it together.

To this end, under the direction of Annam, a visionary woman of color, HopeWorks is building upon our current approach to addressing trauma. In addition to meeting the needs of the mind and body, we will also incorporate modalities that attend to the spirit, moving toward a more holistic approach to healing the individual and the collective.

In this newsletter, we invite you to explore how we're addressing individual and collective trauma and promoting healing through loving community and collaboration.

HOMELESSNESS ISN'T AN INDIVIDUAL FAILURE; IT IS A COMMUNITY FAILURE, WHICH REQUIRES COMMUNITY —ORIENTED SOLUTIONS.



will be a year of transformation for hopeworks

with love at the core of everything we do.

Phase

Hope Village, One Year In

We are coming up on one year of operations at Hope Village, the state's first, newly-constructed single site project. We have been fully occupied, and Bernalillo County has proven to be a flexible and accommodating partner as we have had to make adjustments to our programming to meet the needs of the residents. This community of 42 includes not just the folks who live in the building, but our staff and neighbors as well. We often have community meals, and the residents have become vital, thriving members of the neighborhood. Our partners from the Wells Park Neighborhood Association continue to be supportive of the project and also complimentary of its impact. There is a reciprocal relationship here where the healing is not just for our clients, but for us, too.

TRAVIS Hope Village Director

Hope Village is a not only a safe place to live but is also where an individual can develop a personal relationship with staff. Rebuilding community leads to wholeness and health, helping clients maintain stable housing.

Phase

Expanding Behavioral Health

We are taking a big step this year in addressing the dearth of mental and behavioral health services available in our community. HopeWorks has received a commitment from the City of Albuquerque for approximately \$1.7 million in CDBG funds to renovate an existing building on our campus, for the purpose of expanding our Outpatient Therapy and Psychiatry services. When opened, we will grow our therapy offerings by 25%. We anticipate work to begin within the next few months.

MULLENIEL

BERNICE Clinical Prog. Director

Homelessness and addiction are not the problem; they are results of trauma and point to the need for more mental health services.

Phase

Integrated and Holistic Healing

This year, we are also taking the vision of "healing homelessness" to the next level. We have plans to build a new facility focused on healing trauma through the utilization of culturally-sensitive, spirituality-focused modalities, inclusive of all who come through our doors.

This new center will replace our existing day shelter and will focus on healing trauma: body, mind and spirit. This approach is new and cutting-edge and has the potential to be a behavioral health best practice model. The next couple of years are critical as we begin

seeking funds for construction and consider what specific services we want to offer. The potential to add more affordable housing to our campus is also under consideration as we look to the future.

ANNAM CEO

We may not be able to end homelessness, but we can heal those of us who have suffered from its harm. We have to talk about the issue differently if we want to do things differently. That's the only path forward to healing.

FACILITY TO HEAL **TRAUMA** 3,400 SF

NEW DAY

-MULLEN-IELLER

OUR VISION

Disconnection from ourselves and our community has exacerbated an issue that should never have had a word in the American language. "Homelessness" is so much bigger than lacking a home, which is why HopeWorks, in its core service delivery, is focused on more. Building affordable housing is essential, but it is not enough.

NEW DAY FACILITY TO HEAL TRAUMA

We must heal systemic homelessness by prioritizing community and love.

