

The Future of Homeless Services in Bloomington



A QUARTER CENTURY OF IMPACT January 24, 2000- January 24, 2025 In 25 years, Beacon has...



served 1,520,493 meals



provided 130,386 nights of shelter

(Since Friend's Place opened in 2016)



housed or prevented homelessness for 14,329 children and adults

LARGEST NONPROFIT PROVIDER OF HOUSING **FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING** HOMELESSNESS, **HOUSING OR PREVENTING HOMELESSNESS FOR 549** CHILDREN AND ADULTS LAST YEAR ALONE



- Locally founded as a response to people outside during the day
- Developed two housing programs to house homeless families and people with disabilities
- As Martha's House faced bankruptcy, we stepped in to take on those services and save that overnight shelter (now Friend's Place).
- When the pandemic hit, we opened and managed the Monroe County Isolation Shelter.
- When a large homeless camp formed in Seminary Park, we opened an emergency winter shelter.
- When a local homeless shelter for women closed, we nearly tripled our shelter's occupancy for women, making Beacon the largest emergency shelter for women experiencing homelessness in our region



- New purpose-build 45,000 sq ft facility at 1201 W. 3rd Street
- Building on best practices and lessons learned
- Combines Shalom Center and Friends Place with 25 new apartments.
- Expands Emergency Shelter to 50 semi-private spaces.
- Training kitchen, classrooms, employment center, chapel
- Space for collaborating service providers: Centerstone, HealthNet IRA, ILS, Probation, DROs, Humane Society

Beacon Center





Light The Way Campaign

- Goal: \$20 million
- \$15 million in grants / local government support:

\$11 million raised

State of Indiana (IHCDA), Monroe County, City of Bloomington, Bloomington Township, Perry Township, IUHF, Eli Lilly/United Way, CFBMC

New Market Tax Credit (\$4m) and Federal Home Loan Bank (\$1m) grants in progress

\$5 million from community appeal

\$4.3+ million raised from 317 community members and 32 Beacon staff and Board members.



LTW Campaign Team

- Co-chairs: Traci Jovanovic & Von Welch
- Leads: Laurel Adams, Andrew Appel, Alain Barker, Jean Capler, Jeff Richardson
- Donor Outreach Volunteers: Christine Bannister, Mary Clare Bauman, Kathy Bayless, Constance Cook Glen, Dennis Davoren, John Fernandez, Vera Flocke, Tom Guevara, Tim Jessen, Joe Manley, Amy Osajima, Josh Perry, MaryAlice Rickert, Carol Seaman, Shelli Yoder, Susan Yoon
- Honorary Chairs: Gene and Gladys DeVane, Siân Mooney, Dan Peterson, Eric Spoonmore, Charlotte Zietlow
- Communications and Events: Daphne McCanse, Cathy Croxton, Karen Garrett, Keith Danielson
- Planning Phase Co-chair: Jane Martin



Groundbreaking: September 23rd!

3-4pm at 1201 W. 3rd Street (new Beacon Center location)

Celebratory remarks, refreshments, and time for gathering.



Thank you.

For more information: https://beaconinc.org/beacon-center/