

**Brief FAQ Summary of Safe Haven
May 2010**

What is a Safe Haven?

The Safe Haven located at 115 N. Patrick Street provides permanent housing and services in three separate apartment units for up to twelve homeless people with mental illness and/or other disabling conditions, who are on the streets and who cannot or do not use existing shelters. Safe Haven is a nationally recognized program model that incorporates several effective strategies to serve its intended population, including outreach, a low demand structure, a housing first approach, and support services. The site was formerly the location of the CSB's Clubhouse program which, since 1980, provided day support to approximately 60 individuals with serious mental illness and substance use disorders.

How will the Safe Haven be staffed?

With eleven full-time equivalent positions, a minimum of two direct service staff will be scheduled to provide supervision and supportive services 24 hours per day as well as facility management and security monitoring, seven days per week, including awake overnight coverage.

How much will the Safe Haven cost?

The total budgeted FY 2010 cost to the City to serve 12 Safe Haven residents is \$111,891. The total ongoing operating budget for the Safe Haven, once fully operational, is \$647,758. This includes \$606,724 for personnel costs and \$41,034 for non-personnel. The City was awarded a grant from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to partially finance the operating costs of the Safe Haven for \$54,608 per year for a three-year period (a total of \$163,824). Like all of our other HUD grants, funding is renewable and ongoing. All revenue sources that fund the project are as follows:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	\$54,608
Consumer fees	\$16,750
Medicaid	\$189,805
State	\$274,704
City	\$111,891
Total	\$647,758

The City had originally budgeted \$795,000 in Capital Improvement Program funds for renovation of 115 N. Patrick when it was intended that the site would remain an office building. In the intervening time, the City has identified additional monies totaling \$2.055 million to fund the renovation of the building for its use as a Safe Haven. The total capital project budget is \$2.85 million.

What is the time line for starting operations?

Building renovations have been completed and expected program opening is in late June or early July 2010.