

## Press Release

Indianapolis, Ind. -- United Way of Central Indiana (UWCI) announced plans to fund several new building projects, including \$2 million to member agencies Catholic Charities Indianapolis and Hoosier Veterans Assistance Foundation of Indiana, Inc., to replace outdated facilities serving homeless families and veterans.

A grant of \$1 million will help fund a move by Holy Family Services, a division of Catholic Charities Indianapolis, to a new location at 2618 W. St. Clair Street. Through shelter and transitional services, Holy Family Services serves up to 22 homeless families each night and provides supportive services for families leaving an emergency shelter. The Archdiocese of Indianapolis will fund the balance of the \$4.5 million project.

JWCI will grant \$1 million toward a new HVAF of Indiana, Inc facility. The agency, which provides supportive services and programs for homeless veterans and their families, will move to a new building at 964 N. Pennsylvania. HVAF of Indiana, Inc. was identified by Indianapolis Mayor Bart Peterson's office in the Blueprint to End Homelessness initiative as key coordinator for programs and services for homeless and near homeless veteran populations.

Also approved was \$30,000 to the Coalition for Homelessness Intervention and Prevention administrative offices to help with relocation to 3737 N. Meridian Street; \$13,969 for renovations to the leased space of Heritage Place of Indianapolis; \$18,000 for a feasibility study by Mental Health America of Greater Indianapolis for renovation of the Gateways House for Women and the Ferriday House for Men, group homes for individuals with serious mental illness; and, \$3,900 for a facilities needs assessment for Public Action in Correctional Effort, Inc. /Offender Aid & Restoration, Inc.

Funding for the projects is possible through a \$100 million grant UWCI received from Lilly Endowment, Inc., to administer a capital building program.

Source: United Way of Central Indiana



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