

## Hope Village

In 2020, HopeWorks will begin construction of a 42-unit, single-site permanent supportive housing project next to our existing Day Shelter on 3rd St.

This project will be the first of its kind in New Mexico, providing permanent housing to the most vulnerable, chronically homeless individuals in Albuquerque, alongside supportive services designed to keep them stable and housed.

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Permanent supportive housing is nationally recognized as a proven solution to end chronic homelessness. HopeWorks’ goal is to house the most vulnerable individuals living on the streets, who may have lost hope and a sense of belonging.

This venture represents a unique and bold collaboration between HopeWorks, The City of Albuquerque, Bernalillo County, the National Housing Trust Fund, and Mortgage Finance Authority (MFA). We are excited to also be working with YES Housing, Mullen Heller Architects, and Consensus Planning on this project.

**This is a pivotal first step.**

### **What is Single Site and Permanent Supportive Housing?**

“Single site” refers to a best practice model where clients have access to all of the supports they need (mental/behavioral health services, therapy, basic needs, medical care, etc.) on site where they live. Permanent Supportive Housing combines quality affordable housing with wraparound services to help those who are homeless obtain housing, mental stability, and self-sufficiency.

### **Why do we need a Single Site Supportive Housing Project?**

Permanent Supportive Housing is nationally recognized as a proven and effective solution to end chronic homelessness.

### **Who will live there?**

Residents will be the most vulnerable, chronically homeless with behavioral health challenges and/or are identified as high utilizers of emergency medical services.

### **How will residents be selected?**

Potential residents will be identified and assessed using a commonly used “vulnerability index” score among other factors, and in collaboration with Bernalillo County, the New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness, and the other local homeless service provider agencies. Those with the highest VI-SPDAT scores will be prioritized.

### **What will the building look like?**

HopeWorks’ 42-unit apartment building will be three stories, with the ground floor being utilized for mental/behavioral health services, offices, as well as engagement space/gathering areas for the clients. The second and third floors will be 405 square feet, one-bedroom units, designed to be both ADA-accessible and have universal and trauma-informed design features.

**Will the clients live there permanently?**

Clients may remain residents of the Hope Village community indefinitely, or may choose to live independently at some point.