

## **JOURNEYS | The Road Home**

Providing shelter and services to those who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless in suburban Cook County.

August 2021

#### The Start of the Next Chapter and the Foundations of a New Building

As we launch the Building for HOPE Campaign, we are challenged to stretch services while embracing an opportunity which aims to do more than merely reinforce agency strengths. The Building for Hope Campaign calls on us to articulate and affirm the fundamental values of social services filled with promise for improving human lives and recognizing that talent and ability has no boundaries.

As JOURNEYS slowly emerges from a very difficult time of financial challenges due to our response to COVID and the need to shelter over 100 people a night in hotels since March 2020, we also must reimagine how services are provided to those in need. As successful as we have navigated this past year, it only sets the stage for much more to come.

The Building for HOPE Campaign will result in a changed agency, one with a thriving one-stop facility, a dramatically expanded shelter program, modernized affordable housing units, and enhanced programs for our participants with space for more resources to craft innovative experiences and reach across disciplines for fresh insights on difficult issues.

JOURNEYS Building for HOPE Campaign has emerged from what fundraisers call the campaign's "quiet phase," where a large portion of the budget was raised. Over \$5 million in gifts and pledges have already been committed from donors and partners who share in this vision. *To assure that a construction loan* will not be needed, an additional \$1.2 million is required.

The Building for HOPE Campaign is critical to fund construction and important priorities going forward, but is also an opportunity to strengthen our shared communities. This is an exciting time for JOURNEYS, and we are committed to ensuring that this project will continue to have a meaningful impact well beyond the construction itself.



Please consider being a part of providing this vital resource to our communities by our communities and bring the Campaign across the finish line with your help.

Beth Nabors, **Executive Director** 

## Providing over 30 years of service

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# **JOURNEYS Volunteers**



### **HOPE Center Volunteers are back!**

In May of 2021, JOURNEYS welcomed back volunteers to the HOPE Center. Since they have returned, they have brought back a feeling of "normalcy." These volunteers are a key part of fulfilling JOURNEYS' mission to individually assess and serve the homeless and near-homeless while broadening community awareness and involvement.

The pandemic has affected everyone and everything, including the roles of the 2500 volunteers that previously donated their time at the PADS shelters. Working with JOURNEYS staff, hundreds of volunteers quickly shifted from assisting with The Mobile Meal Program that continues today. Volunteers have provided over 125,000 meals since March of 2020.

JOURNEYS has a fantastic record of long relationships with our volunteers, some over 20 years, and it's something JOURNEYS is proud of.



Judy, a HOPE Center Volunteer for 22 years

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

"Volunteers are the only human beings on the face of the earth who reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience, and just plain loving one another."

To volunteer an online orientation training must first be completed. If you are interested in becoming a HOPE Center Volunteer, or want to learn more go to the JOURNEYS website (www.journeystheroadhome.org) or contact Volunteer Coordinator, Heidi Meier at h.meier@journeystheroadhome.org

# **Building For HOPE**

## **New Building Coming Summer 2022!**

To increase the capacity to accommodate the growing demand for emergency and ongoing assistance throughout the region, the agency has launched its Building for Hope capital campaign.

The current 8,000 square foot facility and parking lot at 1140 E. Northwest Highway in Palatine will become a two-story, year-round fixed shelter site, clinical service day center and affordable housing purveyor for the homeless.



Rendering provided by HKM Architects + Planners, Inc.

## Construction Updates



#### **Parking**

(With the exception of our handicapped guests) will be on the far southwest side (along Northwest Highway) of the Post Office Parking Lot, located next to JOURNEYS at 1300 E Northwest Hwy.



#### **Entrance**

JOURNEYS clients, please follow the main entrance signs. Volunteers will use the front entrance facing Northwest Hwy.



#### **Donations**

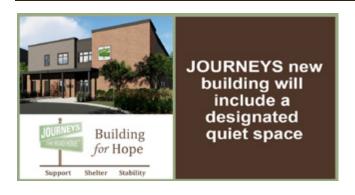
Limited to Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 8:30 am and 4 pm. There will be a maximum of two bags of seasonal clothing or food pantry items. Donations can be dropped off at the entrance facing Northwest Hwy during business hours only.



#### **Donation Drives**

Due to construction and limited storage space, large donation drives cannot be accepted or scheduled. Gift card drives can still be scheduled as they are the most needed at this time.

## Did You Know?





# Building For HOPE



**1st floor:** Supportive services center for long term case management, primary healthcare, substance abuse treatment, vocational development, ongoing food assistance & more.

**2nd floor:** Year-round shelter site with separate accommodations for men, women & families

7 Onsite permanent affordable apartment units



## Ways To Support Building For HOPE

Be part of a lasting legacy and support Building for HOPE

Engraved bricks will be laid on the patio and walkway.

Bricks available in 2 sizes

\$125 for 4x8 includes
3 lines of text

\$250 for 8x8 includes 6 lines of text Join us as a valued partner to end homelessness in the Northwest Suburbs of Cook County!

To make a donation, purchase a brick, or learn more about available naming opportunities and the Building For HOPE Capital Campaign go to:

www.journeystheroadhome.org/
building-for-hope

## **Event Highlights**

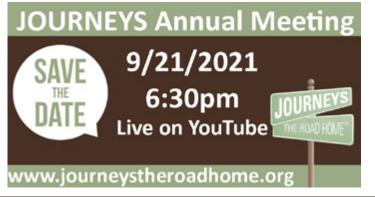


For the first time since Feb 2020, JOURNEYS held an in-person event. On Saturday June 19th, JOURNEYS staff, event chairs Paul Adamczyk & Nick Heuertz, and JOURNEYS YPB welcomed over 100 participants to the SUPERHERO 5K.

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Save the date for next year's SUPERHERO 5K on Saturday June 18th, location to announced in early 2022.

## Save the Date



Save the date for JOURNEYS 25th annual Bid For HOPE on Friday, November 12th 2021



## **Connect with JOURNEYS**



#### Follow JOURNEYS on Social Media

Facebook: JourneysTheRoadHome

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**Questions?** email us at

info.journeystheroadhome.org

#### MAKING A DONATION TO JOURNEYS IS SIMPLE.

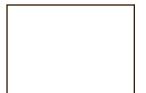
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Your gift provides access to resources that will aid our clients as they work to rebuild their lives and end their homelessness. Even a small monthly gift can have a tremendous impact.

Learn more about becoming a Partner of HOPE at www.journeystheroadhome.org



