## Community Service Corps LOS AMIGOS PROJECT

Mental health is a community problem and it deserves a community response.

# "The Future Isn't What It Used To Be"

## Community Service Corps Who are we?

- A Jail Diversion non-profit 501(c)(3) advocating for ways to help people get help outside of jail and prison.
- Our Board of Directors is made up of local professionals: Paul Dulin, Rose Garcia, Robert Crecelius, Al Galves and Mary Martinez White
- We are a new non-profit but not new to the work of non-profits or grant administration.
- We have adopted the 'problem solving' philosophy of drug courts

## Game Changer Project

## Game Changer - Supportive Housing Package

- Los Amigos by Community Service Corps –
   Transitional housing (32 one person units on Los Amigos Court, South Telshor Boulevard for overnight up to approximately 12 months)
- Alcohol/drug free, intensive onsite support 24/7

### Los Amigos Project

Located at 2939 and 2941, Los Amigos Court in Las Cruces

- Intensely focused on the needs of justice partners
- High-risk, high-need, mental illness, and justice involved with co-occurring disorders
- The goal is to transition people to the community and restore families
- The transformative element is relationship building
- Coaches monitor and assist clients progress, provide training for relationship skills, personal accountability, confidence building, job placement
- Hold clients accountable for completion of judgement and sentencing responsibilities
- Will charge rent with the intent of refunding it if the client follows program guidelines and uses the refund as a deposit on the next level of housing.

#### Los Amigos Models and Services

- Train employees on drug court model, pre-trial services models, jail diversion models
- Utilize screening instruments and clinical assessments for appropriate placement "One size does not fit all"
- Evidence based and open sharing of results

#### **Budget Summary in Brief**

- 1. Purchase and refurbishing of the 32-room facility located on Amigos Court is \$1.5 million for facility purchase plus \$500,000 for renovations.
- 2. Operation of the facility as transitional housing for one year is \$355,665.76.
- 3. Physical and mental/behavioral services by local providers, Peer Support, Caseworkers billable to Medicaid is \$818,880.