

Mesilla Valley Community of Hope



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THE MISSION IS TO PROMOTE DIGNITY AND EMPOWERMENT AMONG THE HOMELESS POPULATION BY PROVIDING SHELTER SERVICES, CASE MANAGEMENT, INCOME SUPPORT AND PERMANENT HOUSING PROGRAMS



Alliance of agencies and City partnership

- ▶ Owned by the City of Las Cruces
- ▶ MVCH is the leaseholder
- ▶ **Agencies:**
 - MV Community of Hope
 - Jardin de los Niños (Childcare Center)
 - El Caldito Soup Kitchen
 - Amador Health Center (FQHC)
 - Casa de Peregrinos food pantry



Services lead to housing

•MVCH served 10,894 people last fiscal year

MVCH is a homeless service center that provides a variety of services such as:

- Showers/ Laundry/ Lockers
- Mail/phone/internet
- Clothing
- Household donations
- Case Management/home visits/transportation
- Housing programs
- Income support (Mano y Mano day labor, SOAR)
- Outreach/training/education
- Camp Hope (194 people last FY)



Mano y Mano Day Labor and Outreach Team



Camp Hope

- Camp Hope began in November 2011
- Not a funded project; relies on community donations
- Hosts up to 50 people
- Create housing plan using Coordinated Entry
- Keeps people in a safe place while they transition into housing
- Total Served in 2024-25: 194 people



Housing efforts

- Last year, MVCH housed 2,869 people, including 1004 children
- MVCH has several different types of housing programs; owns 3 homes; partners with over 100 landlords annually; partner at 3 housing sites (FYI+, Housing Authority)
- Scattered-site Vouchers— permanent supportive housing; rapid rehousing; one-time assistance, Vet assistance, eviction prevention, opioid use disorder and exiting incarceration housing; court-mandated treatment housing (about 540 ongoing housing vouchers)



"Sue's House" for chronically homeless women

Amador crossing apartments

- ▶ 50 units on Community of Hope campus
- ▶ Tenant-based rental assistance (10 project-based PHA units)
- ▶ City, State support
- ▶ Part of the 10-year Master Plan for MVCH campus
- ▶ Onsite supportive service staff and wrap-around agencies on the campus



Future Funding Concerns

- ▶ Permanent Supportive Housing for people with disabilities cut to two years
- ▶ The need for Homeless Prevention funding
- ▶ The need for flexible Supportive Services



Thank you

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