



Endeavors: a place to call home

After nearly 25 years at its existing location next to St. Olaf Church in downtown Minneapolis, Catholic Charities Exodus Residence will soon be relocated to the former Augustana Care Center in the Elliot Park Neighborhood of Minneapolis.

Once moved to Elliot Park, the program will be known as Endeavors. Residents and program staff collaborated to choose a new name that was inclusive and welcoming to individuals of all backgrounds—life isn't always linear or smooth, and "Endeavors" honors each resident's journey.

In the midst of a statewide housing and homelessness crisis, Endeavors will provide urgently needed permanent homes to 173 people who need housing stability, many of whom are older and medically frail, including many veterans. Unlike an emergency shelter or transitional housing, residents will sign leases with all the rights and responsibilities of a market-rate rental. Endeavors units are available upon referral from Hennepin County's Coordinated Entry System, to individuals using a variety of affordable housing funding sources including but not limited to Housing Support, Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA), and Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH). Endeavors has a mixture of units and living arrangements, allowing a pathway for individuals working towards greater independence:

- **Efficiency units** include private kitchens and bathrooms, where residents cook their own meals.
- **Single Room Occupancy (SRO)** units share single-user toilet and shower rooms, as well as kitchen facilities.
- **Board and Lodge units** are similar to SRO units, but with access to three meals a day at the onsite cafeteria.

Regardless of unit type, all units include storage cabinetry, a sink, and a refrigerator. Endeavors is projected to open in Summer 2022.

Endeavors will provide supportive services to help residents maintain housing and grow their independence. Examples include:

- Case Management and access to nursing services for care coordination, medication assistance, and appointment reminders.
- Referrals to outside providers—including psychiatric and other healthcare, vocational services, educational resources, and financial assistance.
- Continuous coaching and support to sustain housing, including trainings on being a good tenant, lease compliance, and household management.
- Assistance with the housing recertification process and benefit applications.
- Building natural housing supports and resources in the community, with special attention to culture and identity.

Catholic Charities at Elliot Park



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The Power of Home in Elliott Park

Endeavors will share a location with the new Catholic Charities headquarters campus, Catholic Charities at Elliot Park. Located across the street from Elliot Park, this campus will co-locate:

The Frey Center (Administrative Headquarters)

- Over 200 staff, including Catholic Charities' Executive, Shared Services, and Aging and Disability Services Teams will share workspace onsite.

The Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation Recuperative Care Center

- Will provide short term respite opportunities for 30 people experiencing homelessness who need additional time to recover after being released from a hospital.

Hennepin County Healthcare for the Homeless Clinic

- Will provide healthcare to building residents and people experiencing housing instability in the neighborhood.

PUTTING DOWN ROOTS

Elliot Park is a diverse, growing and vibrant Minneapolis neighborhood near downtown. It provides convenient access to bike lanes and public transit routes, as well as services at

Catholic Charities Mary F. Frey Opportunity Center. With academic, faith, healthcare and business institutions nearby, the Elliot Park neighborhood provides residents at Exodus the ability to put down roots, find stability and pursue new opportunities. We believe in building strong ties to the communities in which we offer housing, programs and services, and are excited to pursue opportunities to contribute to neighborhood vitality.

HONORING THE PAST. BUILDING THE FUTURE

With 150 years serving the Minneapolis/Saint Paul region, Catholic Charities has a proven track record of providing quality services and managing projects with operational excellence for the benefit of vulnerable people and the broader community. Catholic Charities at Elliot Park is a public/private partnership with investments from Hennepin County, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, and the City of Minneapolis. Catholic Charities donors have made significant private investments, including a \$3.5 million lead challenge grant from the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation and the pro bono development services of Dominion.

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