

# Community Rebuilders – Kent County, MI Scattered-Site Permanent Supportive Housing



## **Community Rebuilders Scattered-Site Programs**

Providing long-term affordable housing with supportive services to persons with a permanent disability, Community Rebuilders' Scattered-Site Programs feature 143 total Shelter Plus Care units (93 tenant-based and 50 sponsor-based), and 11 units in each of their rental assistance and supportive service programs, LOFT and HEROES.

Owner/Sponsor: Community Rebuilders

Service Provider: Housing Resource Specialists

**Tenant Profile**: Permanently disabled homeless individuals and families

**Service Approach:** Consumers choose the services they want and need. Services are comprehensive and focused on housing stability.

#### **Key Features and Innovations:**

- Consumers choose their housing unit within the private rental market.
- Consumers sign leases in their name, giving them full rights and obligations of tenancy.
- Participants choose their mental health providers throughout the community.
- Approximately 95% of child and adult participants remain in or exit into permanent housing.
- Supportive services are strengthsbased, focusing on what is strong not what is wrong in a consumer's life.
- Housing Resource Specialists utilize a Strengths-Based Support Services model to assist participants in increasing income, self-sufficiency

\$41,401

## **Financing Information**

Operating (Annual)

HUD – Continuum of Care/SHP

Services (Annual)

HUD – Continuum of Care/SHP \$99,836

Leasing/Rental Assistance (Annual)

HUD – Continuum of Care/SHP \$1,197,120

Community Rebuilders facilitates effective partnerships with local mental health and medical service providers, who collectively provide more than \$700,000 in direct support services per year—at no cost to the PSH programs.

### **About Community Rebuilders**

Community Rebuilders is working to prevent and end homelessness by rebuilding hope through housing opportunities for families and individuals with support services during transitions. They are improving neighbors' lives by focusing on housing first and delivering the right services once housed within the community. Community Rebuilders' style of scattered-site, permanent supportive housing engages participants and landlords as equal partners working together to promote housing stability.

### **About Housing Resource Specialists**

The strengths-based, case management model utilized by Housing Resource Specialists (HRS) utilizes centralized intake to promote efficient targeting of resources. It increases the supportive housing rate of completion by assisting households to increase their income and independence, welcomes all eligible households regardless of criminal history or extent of mental illness, and affords opportunity for choice in housing vs. living in a single site set aside for persons with special needs.

### CSH and the Sponsor

CSH and Community Rebuilders are part of a collaboration in Grand Rapids, Mich., with others, doing systems change work. They also attend CSH trainings and use its web-based resources.

#### **About CSH**

CSH transforms how communities use housing solutions to improve the lives of the most vulnerable people. We offer capital, expertise, information and innovation that allow our partners to use supportive housing to achieve stability, strength and success for the people in most need. CSH blends over 20 years of experience and dedication with a practical and entrepreneurial spirit, making us the source for housing solutions. CSH is an industry leader with national influence and deep connections in a growing number local communities. We are headquartered in New York City with staff stationed in more than 20 locations around the country. Visit <u>csh.org</u> to learn how CSH has and can make a difference where you live.



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