

LET'S BRING HER

FIVE YEARS AGO, Mid-Michigan Recovery Services, thanks to our supporters, made a bold investment to help women rebuild their lives.

Our **BuildHer Up** campaign — led by women construction leaders — renovated two homes that became **Women's Safe Harbor**: places where women in recovery regain health, strength and stability to start over.

Now, if we can count on you again, we have a chance to pay off that investment, by retiring the mortgages on those homes.



HOW THIS PAYS DIVIDENDS FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND THOSE WE SERVE

Focus where it matters most: Unburdening the agency from this mortgage will allow us to direct energy and resources to **serving people rather than servicing debt**.

The timing is right: The mortgage is up for renewal — and we have a lead gift!

Certainty for uncertain times: MMRS serves our poorest neighbors, those with nowhere else to turn for help with recovery from addiction. To do this, we rely on public funding — which is often unstable. Eliminating debt makes us stronger and better able to tolerate funding disruptions.

BIG COST SAVINGS — AND A HUGE HEAD START!

BuildHer Up was a true community effort. Lansing-area women led the campaign and performed much of the labor, joined by volunteers and workers in our own job-training program, Lightkeepers. That kept costs low to renovate these homes.

Now an anonymous donor has come forward with a lead gift of \$20,000 toward our goal!

That means we only need to raise \$65,751 to make Women's Safe Harbor debt-free after just five years!

Debt for Women's Safe Harbor		Monthly cost	Annual cost
\$85,751 (refinancing April 2026)		\$771	\$9,252
Monthly savings (\$771) from retiring debt	Covers one month of room and board for a Safe Harbor client		
Annual savings (\$9,252) from retiring debt	expens	overs a full year of household spenses for operation of all six Safe arbor homes — men and women	

Eliminating debt pays dividends for years to come, saving nearly \$6,000 a year in interest payments alone.



TO DONATE BY MAIL:

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Visit **midmichiganrecovery services.org**, or follow the QR code at left to a secure online form.

What is Safe Harbor? For men and women who lost everything to addiction, recovery opens a world of possibilities. But first, they need to repair relationships and reunite with children and family. They need basics like food and clothing. They need jobs. They need a home. They need a place to start over.

That place is Safe Harbor, which provides the critical "soft landing" transition for men and women who have completed treatment for addiction.

Safe Harbor is based in four homes for men (capacity for 24), and two homes for women (capacity for 12), all supervised by licensed therapists. While staying in Safe Harbor for up to three months, clients engage in individual and group therapy, life skills classes, case management, peer recovery coaching and more.



Our Women's Safe Harbor homes create a welcoming space where clients build their new lives.

Inspired by record need

In 2020, substance use was skyrocketing amid the isolation of the COVID-19 pandemic — which also added housing and job insecurity for the poor population we serve.

That's why Mid-Michigan Recovery Services made a bold investment in the well-being of our community. The agency had operated a form of Safe Harbor for more than a decade. Seeing the

increased need in the community, we doubled our capacity for recovery housing for men — then opened a much-needed recovery housing program with integrated services for women.

We provided a lifeline for our community and filled a need that continues today.

In 2024, a study by Michigan State University found that recovery housing is one of our region's biggest needs to address substance use disorder.

Safe Harbor works: Results from anonymous client surveys

97%

of Safe Harbor residents report they stayed substancefree during their time in Safe Harbor. "They listen to my concerns and help solve problems."

"Creates a safe place for recovery with accountability."

"So helpful and encouraging, Safe Harbor rocks!!"

"Anytime I need anything, they are there."

"Always willing and understanding."

"I owe MMRS for saving my life!"