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New SHC Housing Program to End Homelessness for 45 Individuals and Families



Supportive Housing Coalition is proud to announce the implementation of a new housing program, Casita Bonita. The program is a U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) funded program that will provide tenant-based rental assistance to 45 individuals and families with a behavioral health disability who are experiencing chronic homelessness.

SHC's Community Housing program will accept referrals for the program from the Coordinated Entry System (CES), a system managed by the New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness that helps connect people experiencing homelessness to supportive housing programs. SHC Housing Specialists then conduct eligibility screenings, enroll

eligible participants, provide rental assistance vouchers, and coordinate apartment search assistance to successfully house those identified as eligible for rental assistance.

SHC will also provide a Service Coordinator for the purpose of coordinating ongoing supportive services for tenants enrolled in Casita Bonita including needs assessment, home visits, monthly meetings, application assistance for mainstream benefits, referrals for mental health and/or substance abuse counseling, and referrals to community partners for specialized services. A grant from the Albuquerque Community Foundation Health and Human Services provided matching funds for service coordination programming.

Matching funds for the program also come from First Nations Community Healthsource, who has partnered with SHC to provide donated case management, public health nursing, medical, behavioral health, dental, and social support services for the program.

Welcome New Staff!



We are pleased to welcome the newest additions to our management team and to our SHC staff.

Laura Sandoval began in June 2018 as our director of community housing. Laura comes to us from Los Angeles, CA and has worked with persons emerging from homelessness in a range of settings. A Certified Psychiatric Rehabilitation Practitioner, Laura earned her master's degree in Social Work from California State University, Long Beach.

Cheri Lopez began her job as controller in August 2018. Cheri brings her comprehensive accounting knowledge as well as extensive experience with boards of directors, strategic growth, and human resources.

Laura Sandoval
Director of Community Housing

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In addition to these additions to our Management Team, SHC is proud to welcome these new staff members:

Stephanie Damon, Property Manager, Chuska; **Darren Becenti**, Maintenance Tech, Chuska; **Michael Fitch**, Courtesy Monitor; **Bill Hanson**, Administrative Assistant; **Ciaran Lithgow**, Housing Specialist; **Alexandria Smith**, Service Coordinator, Casita Bonita.

Sylvia Slefo, Intake/Admin Assistant has moved to the Finance Department in the role of Finance Assistant.



Cheri Lopez
Controller

Please Join Us!

Join us for an evening of fellowship and fun at Painting With A Twist. Learn how to paint a beautiful New Mexico landscape while raising money for SHC!

You can reserve your spot directly by visiting www.paintingwithatwist.com/studio/albuquerque-nm/event/1655822/ or call them at 505.867.2468.

Painting With A Purpose is a charity event that the studio holds once a month. You are able to bring finger food to the event. They serve wine, beer, and non-alcoholic drinks.

You're Invited to
Painting with a Purpose!

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2018
6:30- 8:30PM

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This event benefits
Supportive Housing Coalition of New Mexico

Seating is limited, reserve your spot and sign up a friend!

Thank you for helping us Strike Out Homelessness!

47 sponsors, 36 teams of five, 180 bowlers, and dozens of volunteers, staff, and board members added up to our biggest Strike Out Homelessness Day event yet! Thanks to you we raised over \$37,000 to end homelessness for good. Thank you for being part of our efforts!

Stay tuned for more information on our 2019 event! Bookmark www.shcnm.org/bowl

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