

- **Monroe County Opportunity Program**

**Program Name:** MCOP Supportive Housing Program

**Amount:** \$91,950

**Purpose:** Leasing funds

**Type of Project:** Renewal Project

MCOP's Supportive Housing Program (SHP) is designed to help Monroe County residents who are both literally homeless and chronically disabled become self-sufficient who are ages 62 and older.

The program utilizes a scattered-site housing model to target clients who are chronically homeless as well as those staying in emergency shelters, places not meant for habitation, domestic violence, veterans and otherwise homeless under the HEARTH Act.

MCOP's plan for addressing identified need of our target populations is through Coordinated Entry for those who are chronically homeless, chronically disabled and ages 62 and older.

MCOP serves as the Monroe County HARA, so we are the single point of entry for local homeless. MCOP also provides extensive case management and offers referrals to other local agencies that may assist with job search, employment, substance abuse, mental health and veteran services.

- **Monroe County Opportunity Program**

**Program Name:** MCOP Supportive Services Only

**Amount:** \$61,300

**Purpose:** Housing navigation, outreach, referrals, case management services

**Type of Project:** New Project

MCOP's Supportive Services Only (SSO) is designed to provide services to Monroe County residents experiencing homelessness.

The purpose of the program is to help eligible clients obtain permanent housing by providing services. SSO cannot assist those who are already housed, rather, the program will be used for housing navigation and outreach efforts within our community.

Services will include, but not limited to, housing search and counseling, mental health services, life skills training, substance use recovery, job training and employment, childcare and education.

This project also will include activities such as outreach services, referrals and intense case management.

- **Women Empowering Women**

**Program Name:** Paula's House

**Amount:** \$65,791

**Purpose:** Operating Costs

Paula's House is a transitional home / shelter for Monroe County women who are homeless with a history of substance use disorder and their minor children. Many of these families are chronically homeless and lack the skills needed to maintain housing. In addition to having a history of substance use, the majority of women living at Paula's House also have a diagnosed mental health disorder and most of these women have survived domestic violence.

While at Paula's House the women work on: recovery from their substance use disorder, building a strong support system, finding employment, budgeting, financial literacy, completing their GED, building healthy relationships, parenting, building self esteem, paying their bills, preparing healthy meals, anger management and any other needs specific to the individual woman. The women meet with a peer recovery case manager, a case manager and a family coach on a weekly basis.

Paula's House benefits the children by providing a safe place to live while they too work on coping skills and learning structure and a routine. Our family coach and case managers are safe adults for the children to talk to and a tutor helps the school aged children with their homework.