



About the Project



This project has been years in the making. Prior to Base Camp, the 100-year-old building on Holly St. known as the “Drop-In Center” was not considered a viable long-term solution. But seeing the growing need, leadership made it work for a time to respond to the increasing numbers of people experiencing homelessness.

When the pandemic brought on a move to the temporary Base Camp, it was clear that the shelter would not be able to return to the old Drop-In Center building.

Since the Base Camp lease ends July 2024, we need to start construction on a new building. Now is the time to take the next step in helping our community’s homeless neighbors.

Project Specifics

- 200 low-barrier beds + 100 micro-shelter beds (300 total)
- Capacity for 100 additional people in severe weather emergencies
- Extra meeting rooms for community agencies to offer services
- Increased laundry capacity
- Expanded kitchen and storage – to serve 1,200+ meals a day
- Large outdoor decks with indoor-outdoor fireplaces
- Medical clinic with three exam rooms
- Chapel for optional pastoral services, Bible studies and worship
- Three storefront businesses that will employ our recovery program graduates

For over 99 years the Mission has been a beacon for healing, recovery, and restoration for thousands of people. In light of the pressing need and the Mission’s effectiveness, I wholeheartedly support this project.

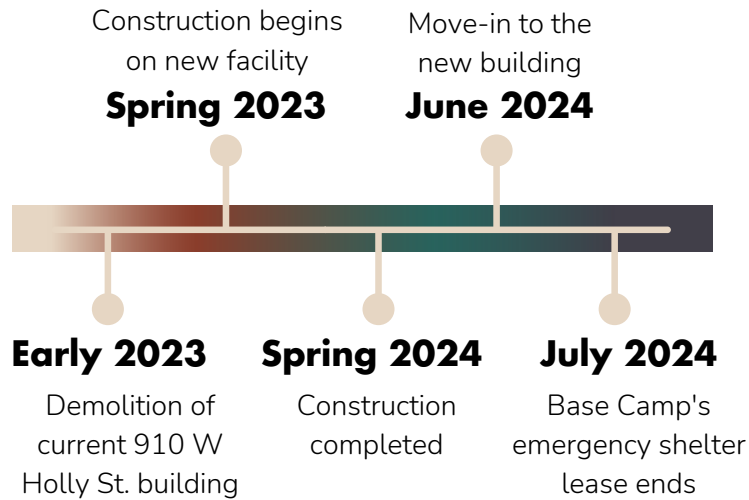
Pastor Chris Eltrich

Lettered Streets
Covenant Church

The building will have 15,000 square feet per floor, giving people plenty of space. It is thoughtfully designed with safety in mind with clear sightlines and an abundance of natural light. Each shelter area has open concept, giving flexibility for the ever changing needs, and has access to outdoor decks which will have seating.

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New Specialized Micro-shelters

Families (26 beds)

- 6 Dorm family crisis micro-shelter built to accommodate one-and two-parent families
- Separate entrance from main shelter
- Community living kitchenette
- Play area and private deck

Elderly & Medically Fragile (25 Beds)

- Medical respite for 25 men and women
- Extra space to move around
- Easy-access to restrooms
- Additional staff support
- Nearby medical clinic with three exam rooms

Working Dorm/Flex Use (24 Beds)

- Space for 24 men and women
- Separate from the main dorm
- Focused case management
- Flexible schedule based on their job needs

Mental & Behavioral Health (25 beds)

- Space for 25 men and women
- Additional space and staff support
- Plenty of natural light with a comfortable feel
- Private decks

“Your support of this project will lift those on our streets ravaged by drugs, confused by mental illness, and stymied by bad choices, into a safe, grace-filled environment that gives them the relationships and tools to thrive. I can't help but endorse this project.”

Sheriff Bill Elfo
Whatcom County

“I wholeheartedly support the Lighthouse Mission Ministries efforts to create their new Homeless Services Center in Old Town.”

Alice Clark
Executive Director,
Downtown Bellingham Partnership