



## The Situation In Maricopa County



**Nearly 6,300 people experience homelessness each night**



- Chronic homelessness means being without a place of your own for a year or more or experiencing homelessness four times in the last three years.
- When renting it is often required to have a deposit and first month of rent up front. Without recorded history of your living situation for the last year and while already paying for medical bills or needs, this is especially difficult and keeps people out of safe housing.

## The Solution: Permanent Supportive Housing

Permanent supportive housing is a long-term solution for people experiencing chronically homeless to provide affordable and sustainable housing with access to supportive services. When a person is housed, they are paired with a case manager to build an individualized plan for the support they need. It makes both economic as well as human dignity sense.

### This Community Saves \$28,000/Person Each Year with Permanent Supportive Housing

- 1 person experiencing chronic homelessness = \$40,000/year
- 1 person in permanent supportive housing = \$12,000/year



**“Every part of the program, every part of supportive housing is designed to help you succeed.”**

– Tonie, Previous Permanent Supportive Housing Resident, who is now living on her own





## Providing safe housing to thousands in Maricopa County

### Our Impact

- 1,231 people have been placed in permanent supportive housing

### Our Goal

- Support 60 more residents with case management people

## How Can I Help?



### Support a Resident

Support a resident to connect to the necessary case management services.



### Support a Complex

Ensure each resident in an entire complex is connected to the necessary case management services.

## Volunteer Opportunities



### Guest Guide

Our biggest need at every Project Connect is friendly faces to be guest guides. They work one on one with individuals and families to connect to the right services for their situation.



### Data Entry Assistance

Using a provided computer program, enter guest data throughout the day.



### Guest Registration

Greet and register guests as they arrive. As a registration volunteer, you'll ask questions to complete the guest intake form. Bilingual volunteers are needed!

Contact us at [info@vsuw.org](mailto:info@vsuw.org) to get started!



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