## EDEN VILLAGE

**OF HARRISBURG** 

A Community of Dignity, Hope, and Belonging



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#### The Challenge in Harrisburg Today

Homelessness is in the national spotlight, and Harrisburg cannot afford to be left behind—we face an urgent crisis that demands bold solutions. In Harrisburg and Dauphin County, the number of unhoused neighbors is rising. The 2024 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count identified 382 individuals living without stable shelter—yet this figure only scratches the surface of a profound crisis, as it relies on self-reporting and is widely considered an undercount.

Nearly 30% of Harrisburg residents live below the poverty line, compared to just 12% statewide. For those who are chronically homeless—living on the streets or in shelters for a year or more, or experiencing repeated episodes of homelessness—the struggle is compounded by disabling conditions such as chronic illness, physical disability, mental health challenges, or substance use.

These are not statistics. They are our neighbors—human lives caught in cycles of instability, illness, and poverty— who deserve a permanent solution.

#### Our Vision: A Safe, Stable, Supportive & Permanent Solution

Eden Village of Harrisburg will be a planned, gated neighborhood featuring:

- Thirty-two fully furnished tiny homes (400 sq. ft., with a bedroom, bathroom, kitchen, and living space) designed for accessibility so residents can age in place.
- A Community Center offering wraparound services, including case management, health care coordination, mental health care, job training, and peer support.
- Community gardens and shared spaces to nurture connection, healing, and belonging.

This is not transitional housing. It is permanent supportive housing—a safe, stable neighborhood designed to restore dignity, belonging, and health. Each resident will pay a modest \$350 monthly rent, fostering stability, responsibility, and pride in their home.



#### Why It Matters

Eden Village is founded on the belief that **housing is healthcare**, **and community is the solution to poverty**. By providing safe homes and supportive services, we not only restore lives—we also ease the burden on hospitals, emergency services, law enforcement, and temporary housing programs.



In Springfield, Missouri—home to the first Eden Village the outcomes are dramatic:

- 75% decrease in ER visits
- 75% fewer hospital admissions
- **75% reduction** in arrests and jail time
- **High resident retention**, proving stability works

When people have homes, their health improves, their reliance on emergency systems decreases, and their futures brighten. Most importantly, Eden Village restores dignity. Residents are no longer nameless faces on the margins—they are neighbors, friends, and members of a caring community.

#### The Eden Village Model: Community Works

Homelessness is complex, but Eden Village proves that creating community works. Across the country, Eden Village neighborhoods are providing chronically homeless individuals not just a place to live, but a reason to thrive.

Inspired by faith, Eden Village of Harrisburg will bring together volunteers, neighbors, and residents in a circle of support. Each resident will have a "home team" of volunteers who walk alongside them, encouraging goals and nurturing hope.

Permanent supportive housing offers more than shelter. It provides compassion, belonging, and the opportunity to write a new chapter.

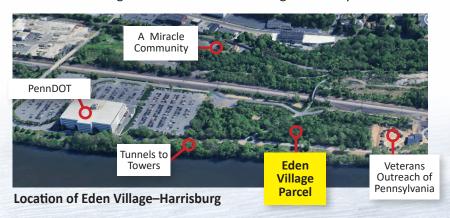
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#### Sustainability

The Eden Village model is designed to be affordable, sustainable, and enduring.

- Reasonable staffing: Eden Village—Harrisburg will operate with two full-time and two part-time employees—providing consistent care and oversight while keeping expenses manageable.
- Volunteer and community partnerships: A strong base of volunteers, faith groups, and civic partners will provide ongoing support, programming, and services, helping to control costs while deepening community engagement.
- Effective & Sustainable: Eden Village is designed to deliver meaningful results while remaining financially sustainable.
  - With a small team of dedicated staff, strong volunteer engagement, and deep community partnerships, the model provides permanent housing paired with supportive services in a way that fosters stability, dignity, and long-term impact—while ensuring resources are used wisely.

This approach ensures that Eden Village delivers a lasting impact while stewarding resources wisely, making the model both replicable and enduring in the long term.



### Let's Build Eden Village Together.

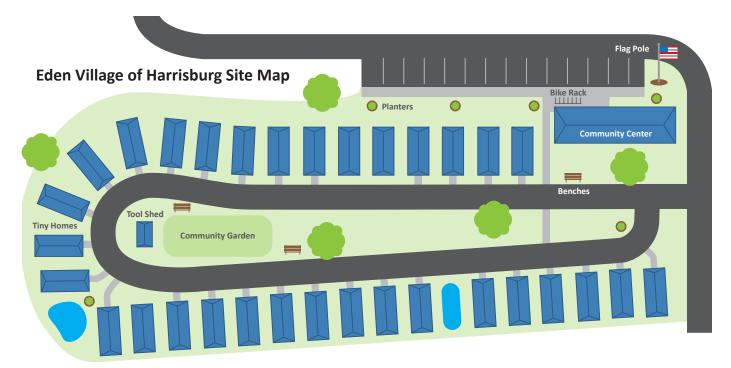
Eden Village of Harrisburg is a bold vision—and it will only become reality with your partnership. With your support, we can create a neighborhood of dignity and hope in Harrisburg.

This is a pivotal moment for Harrisburg, as we unite to create Eden Village—a permanent, life-changing community for our most vulnerable neighbors. With vision and compassion, we are transforming the way our city responds to chronic homelessness.

Eden Village and its Board of Directors are committed to ensuring that no one sleeps outside. The project— estimated at \$5.9 million—will support the construction of 32 fully furnished homes and a central community center where residents can find safety, stability, and a sense of connection. Thoughtfully designed with a community garden, walking paths, and extensive landscaping, the Village will foster belonging and beauty, encouraging neighbors to thrive together.

We are actively seeking financial support from grants, foundations, businesses, faith communities, and individuals to bring this project to life. Every contribution—whether through funding or volunteer engagement—brings us closer to building a community where dignity and hope are restored.

Together, we can transform how chronic homelessness is addressed and create lasting change in our community.





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## **Naming Opportunities**



Preliminary layout and subject to change.

#### **Community Center**

(2400 sq ft building)

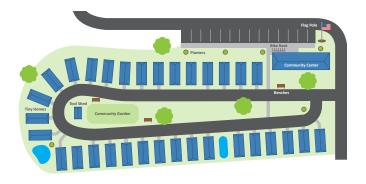
- Community Center \$500,000
- Main Gathering Area \$250,000
- Kitchen \$125,000
- Entry/Foyer Area \$100,000
- Wellness or Multipurpose Room \$75,000
- Main Office/Exec. Dir. \$50,000
- Flex Space \$35,000
- Laundry Room \$35,000
- Bathroom (2 available) \$25,000 each



#### **Tiny Home**

(400 sq ft building)

■ Tiny Home – (32 Available) \$75,000 each



## **Gathering Spaces & Community Features**

- Commuinty Garden \$35,000
- Tool Shed/Store \$25,000
- Flagpole \$10,000
- Bench (10 available) \$5,000 each
- Bike Rack (2 available) \$5,000 each
- Planter/Shade Tree (25 available) \$2,500 each

Donors contributing \$2,500 or more will be honored on a permanent recognition wall in the Community Center. Other key naming opportunities are available. We would love to talk to you about them.



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## Capital Campaign Donation Form

Thank you for your contribution in support of the construction of Eden Village of Harrisburg.

Name as you would like it to appear on donor recognition listing:			
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