### 2022 ANNUAL REPORT





### **MISSION**

Eva's Village provides care and support to individuals struggling with hunger, homelessness, substance use disorders and mental health issues.

Through our integrated, comprehensive social services and behavioral health programs, we help these individuals lead healthy, stable, independent lives.



### A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

Dear Friends of Eva's,

In 2022, we celebrated 40 years of serving our neighbors in need. Even as we faced ongoing COVID challenges during FY2022 (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022), your support allowed us to provide the hope and compassion many of our guests and clients needed to successfully overcome their challenges with hunger, homelessness, substance use disorders and mental health challenges. We empowered them to find their paths to healthy, stable, independent living.



As the country exited from the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, Eva's Village continued to feel the ripple effects from the health crisis and subsequent surges of the virus. With fluctuations in COVID cases, Eva's Village remained prepared to handle outbreaks including making accommodations to safely quarantine COVID-positive individuals within our facilities.

During this fiscal year, we were able to return to many of the services we provided pre-COVID, including our indoor, sit-down meal service in our Community Kitchen. As a pathway to our many other programs and services, the Community Kitchen has always served as an important entry point to Eva's Village. Many guests who dine in our kitchen are guided to our emergency shelters, recovery support programs and mental health services. By reopening our Community Kitchen in April 2022, we were able to re-establish these connections.

Our Substance Use Disorder programs made a significant impact on the lives of those struggling with addiction. Our peer-to-peer based Recovery Community Center offered community support, workshops, seminars and more. Our Opioid Overdose Response Program assisted individuals in Emergency Departments who survived an overdose by providing access to recovery support, treatment, and programs. Our clinically based Outpatient Substance Use Disorder program helped individuals struggling with addiction from the community at-large and from our own halfway houses. Many of our recovery clients also have mental health challenges and engaged our Outpatient Mental Health programs.

Through this challenging and uncertain time, Eva's Village was able to continue to serve those in need thanks to the commitment of Board Members and donors like you. Your generosity allowed us to make adjustments where needed so that we could best serve our guests and clients.

I invite you to read about our many successes that you helped us achieve.

Thank you,

Howard L. Haughton

**CEO** 

### **COMMUNITY KITCHEN**

Eva's Village Community Kitchen is at the heart of the work we do serving our neighbors in need in Paterson and the surrounding area.

Eva's started as a soup kitchen in 1982 and has never strayed from the guiding principle of our founder, Msgr. Puma, who explained that you cannot help an individual overcome their challenges if they are hungry.



### OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE THE BEST!

The volunteers at Eva's Village dedicate their time and energy to ensure our guests have a positive experience. Eva's Village would not be able to serve our neighbors in need without the volunteers who come rain or shine and on holidays.



### BY THE NUMBERS

- We offer one breakfast and two lunch services to the public every weekday
- Our average cost to prepare a nutritious meal is \$4.56
- In FY2022, over **280,000 meals**were served to community members
  and Eva's residents
- Our culinary trained chef has been making healthy, nutritious meals for Eva's for 33 years
- For many kitchen guests, it may be the **only meal** they eat that day
- Every Friday we package over 300
   to-go meals, so our guests have access
   to meals on the weekends

### **EMERGENCY SHELTERS**

Eva's Village Emergency Shelters provide shelter for adults 18 years and older who are experiencing housing insecurity. Our two low-barrier shelters, one for women and one for men, remove as many pre-conditions to entry as possible so that we may respond to the unique needs and concerns of each individual.

We offer a pathway to permanent supportive housing by first meeting their basic needs of food, shelter, and clothing, and then by addressing the underlying causes of their homelessness.

### **Medication Monitoring**

The Emergency Shelter staff distributes all prescription medications and over the counter medications for residents in a controlled, scheduled manner. Many housing-insecure individuals, including many of Eva's shelter residents, experience co-occurring disorders such as substance use disorders and/or mental health challenges that require prescription medications. All medications are stored in a secure, locked cabinet and the staff meticulously tracks all medications taken by residents.

In FY2022
we provided
189 admissions
to our shelters.

About 60% of those reporting a disability said they suffer from mental health issues, while 44% said they had a substance abuse disorder.\*

More than 50% of people experiencing homelessness reported having some type of disability.\*

"I slept in abandoned houses, in hallways or under overpasses during the winter, and on benches during the summer. I never had a father growing up, but when I came to Eva's Village, staff members were like fathers to me, and female staff members were like mothers. They let me know that I wasn't alone, that there were other people like me."

-Former Shelter Resident

\*Source: NorthJersey.com

### **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS**

Over the last forty years, Eva's Village has changed, evolved and improved our Substance Use Disorder (SUD) programs to meet the ever-changing needs of our community. We offer a variety of programs to meet the unique needs of each individual.

### **HALFWAY HOUSES**

Our Halfway House for Men, Halfway House for Women, and Halfway House for Women with Children offer structured, residential ASAM Level 3.1 recovery services.

Support includes individual and group counseling, trauma-informed care, medication monitoring, Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT), healthy meals, medical care, and workforce development.



### OUTPATIENT/MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM

Our outpatient SUD program offers day and evening programming consisting of the following services:

- addiction services
- partial care services
- outpatient treatment service
- intensive outpatient services
- co-occurring services

Eva's Village operates an outpatient Mental Health program which is licensed by the New Jersey Department of Human Services.

Our licensed clinicians use personalized group, individual, and family therapy to educate and support clients and their loved ones experiencingn mental health challenges.

Eva's Village has Spanish speaking therapists on staff.

Our OORP program made 790 connections in FY2022.



# Eva's admitted more than 475 individuals into our SUD programs in FY2022.

#### PEER RECOVERY SERVICES

Our Recovery Community Center (RCC) is a peer-based community hub offering support groups, meetings, workshops, seminars and recovery-based social and recreational activities. Additional support includes help finding employment, accessing IDs and documents, and teaching basic life skills.

Eva's Opioid Overdose Recovery Program (OORP) connects Eva's on-call Recovery Specialists with overdose survivors in emergency rooms. Our specialists are present at bedside upon the patient's awakening and provide immediate access to SUD treatment and recovery services.

RCC engaged with 321 unduplicated individuals in FY2022.

### MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT

Eva's offers Medication-Assisted
Treatment (MAT), the use of medications in combination with counseling and evidenced-based practices, to effectively treat opioid use disorders (OUD). Eva's offers FDA-approved Buprenorphine, Buprenorphine/Naloxone and Naltrexone, in a controlled, structured environment. Clients are prescribed MAT only after meeting with our psychiatrist who determines which clients will benefit from this approach.

MAT is very effective at decreasing opioid use, opioid-related overdose deaths, criminal activity, and infectious disease transmission. Patients treated with medication were more likely to remain in therapy compared to patients receiving treatment that did not include medication.\*

\*Source: nida.nih.gov.

### **CARE FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN**

### Eva's Village Halfway House for Women with Children, our Hope Residence, is a unique, residential

Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment program that invites women to live with and care for their young children while working on their recovery.

While mothers attend counseling sessions, workshops, seminars and house meetings, their children are cared for in our nurturing, trauma-informed childcare and education program.

"Eva's gave me a room that I turned into a home.. I built a family within those walls."

Angelica, former Hope Residence client

## CLIENTS RECEIVE A FULL ARRAY OF SUPPORTIVE SERVICES INCLUDING:

- Post-partum care
- Childcare
- Parenting classes
- Trauma-informed counseling
- Individual and group therapy
- Nutritious meals
- Medical care
- Workforce readiness support



Keeping family units together reduces trauma for children and provides additional motivation for our mothers in recovery.

Studies demonstrate better outcomes for mothers and children when residential treatment programs allow children to stay with their mothers.\*

\*Source: ncbi.nlm.nih.gov

### Our Childcare Program Includes Family Engagement

Eva's Village aims to positively impact a child's development and their long-term learning. Our curriculum includes trauma-informed care for children who have experienced adverse childhood events, including trauma in the womb and experiences related to a parent's substance use.

Our program implements *Parent Teaching Model Strategies* where staff assist parents in properly incorporating best, basic parenting practices into their daily routines. Topics include healthy nutrition, consistent bedtimes, dealing with temper tantrums, the benefits of reading and singing, and more.

Our Family Engagement Workshops provide mothers with opportunities join their children in class for curriculum-based activities



"Our main goal is to provide the highest quality of care to every child, regardless of personal circumstance and level of vulnerability, without judgement."

– Mariella Beck M. Ed., CFLE
Director of Education and Training

Eva's provided trauma-informed care for 51 children during FY2022.

### **FY 2022 REVENUE & EXPENSES**

#### **REVENUE**

Government Grants \$2,615,217

Fee for Service \$3,625,484

Private Fundraising \$4,890,966

Other \$132,386

Total Revenue: \$11,264,053

#### **EXPENSES**

Behavioral Health, Peer Recovery, Medical \$8,612,437

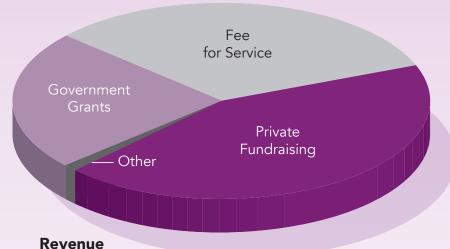
Food, Shelter, Education, Training \$2,947,999

Administration, Fundraising \$1,571,748

Total Expenses: \$13,132,184



Eva's Village has been awarded a 4 star rating for a twelfth consecutive year from Charity Navigator, America's premier charity evaluator, indicating consistent execution of the charity's mission in a fiscally responsible manner.

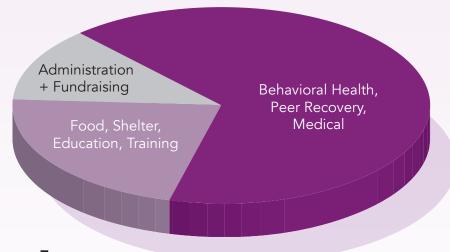


23% Government Grants

32% Fee for Service

43% Private Fundraising

1% Other



#### **Expenses**

66% Behavioral Health, Peer Recovery, Medical

22% Food, Shelter, Education, Training

12% Administration, Fundraising

Eva's Village is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Complete audited financial statements can be obtained by contacting: Eva's Village, 393 Main Street, Paterson, NJ 07501, (973) 523-6220

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