Our WORK

Women Organizing Resources and Knowledge

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Project Goals

Create	Create a supportive home environment for women with children
Provide	Provide access to trauma informed mental and health care
Improve	Improve their ability to gain financial stability
Reduce	Reduce barriers that prevent parents from attending appointments, school, and job training
Enhance	Enhance life skills necessary to successfully transition into long term stable housing
Balance	Balance the inequity of representation for Women Living with HIV (and other lived experiences) in the Ryan White workforce.

Target Population

WLWH between the ages of 19 – 30 years of age with children Can have up to two children ages 3 and under

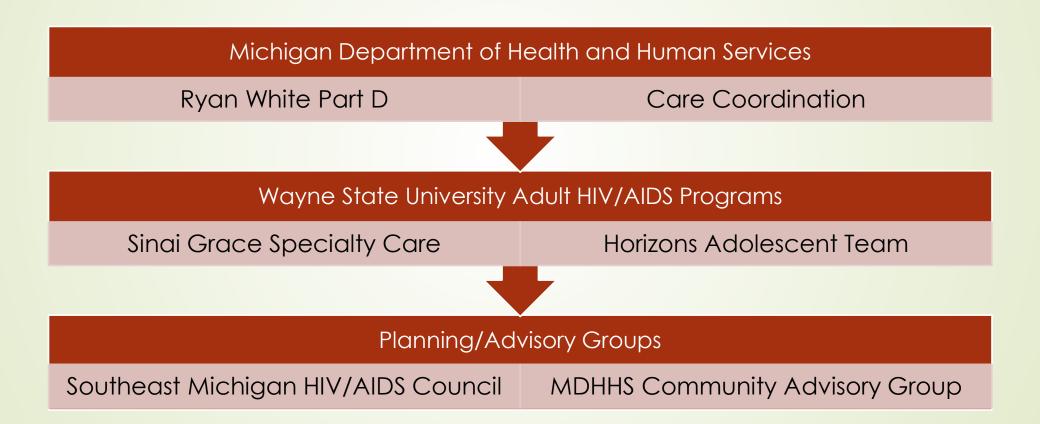
Identified by Ryan White service provider(s)

At risk of sporadic HIV care and treatment

Unstably housed

Agree to HIV care and treatment

Program Development



Funding Sources

Current Funding – MDHHS

Ryan White Part D (Women, Infant, Children, and Youth)

Detroit Health Department

Ending the HIV Epidemic

Program Income

340B Rebate Dollars

Scope of Services

Ryan White

- Outpatient Ambulatory Health Services
- Housing Case Management
- Mental Health Services
- Transportation Services
- Childcare
- Psychosocial Support Services
- Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals

Other Funding (EHE)

- Job Training
- Education
- Life Skills
- Financial Literacy

Community Partners

- Unified HIV Health and Beyond
- Family Matters Psychological and Counseling Centers
- Fleming Estates
- Childcare Provider (TBD)
- Matrix Human Services

Our WORK Core Services & Supportive Services

Outpatient Ambulatory Health Services (OAHS)

- Medical care and treatment can be provided on-site or off site
- Option to have medical insurance from the insurance exchange to support program income

Mental Health Services

- Individual trauma informed care provided by licensed therapist
- Eligible for services based on the degree of trauma being unpacked.
- Psychosocial Support services through collaboration with therapist and LMSW

Transportation

Residents will be supported with transportation to and from job training as well as other specialty care appointments

Childcare

Children will receive childcare off site during normal business hours and when appropriate, on-site support will be provided after normal business hours

Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals

Will assist with supplementing food, cleaning, and hygiene items

Our Home-Detroit Location

Two family flat being retrofitted into a single-family home

Four bedrooms on the upper level with one utility room

One handicap accessible room on the first floor

Two full baths

Common areas include living room, dining room, and multipurpose space in the basement

Three adult bedrooms, one nursery, and one childs room.

Our Home-Detroit Location (continued) Security cameras for the entire parameter of the home

Home security system on windows and doors

Internet, cable and Wi-Fi equipped

Full kitchen

Enclosed backyard without garage

Our Home-Highland Park Location

- Currently under renovations
- Single Family home on double lot
- 2 Car garage
- Common areas include living room, dining room, and full basement (finishing pending)
- > Three adult bedrooms, with a half bath to each room
- Home security system on windows and doors
- Internet, cable and Wi-Fi equipped



Housing Program Design

- Meaningful Involvement of People Living with HIV/AIDS (MIPA)
- Family units will inhabit one bedroom in child fits in a basinet to toddler bed.
- Family units can stay up to three years
- Scheduled mealtimes with some flexibility as the project progress
- Adult residents will receive:
 - Access to medical care and treatment
 - Trauma informed individual and group counseling
 - Housing Case Management
 - Support with childcare

What the Women Want

3 Focus Groups

- 9 women participated
- Incentives \$50 bath & body works
- Food & Transportation provided
- Recruitment through the traditional Ryan White Network of the DEMA
- > In-Person participation only

- The following were the most marked outcomes:
 - Conflict resolution skills
 - Home/Family environment
 - > Mental Health counseling
 - Mentoring
 - > Structure
 - ➤ Life Skills
- Based on these findings, women will not be pushed out to start job or educational activities, but given a chance to feel safe and stable.



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Successes

- We're funded (state & local)
- Community partnerships/Scope of services
- Project is rooted in and for WLWH
- Vision of house rules are in line with focus group findings.
- In line with the one of the Ending the Epidemic goals of empowering PLWH

Challenges

- Restrictive hiring practices with WSU.
- Contractors ability to meet deadlines for project renovations
- Targeted Community-based needs assessment not completed
- RW funding only covers support services impacting health outcomes.

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Current Partnerships

- Fleming Estates
- Unified HIV Health & Beyond
- Fømily Matters Counseling

Prøspective Community Partners

- Matrix Human Services
- The Wellness Plan
 - > (SRH Care)
 - M.O.T.H.E.R. (Maternal Health)

Equity in Motion

- Housing Administrative Coordinator
- Lead Peer Support Specialist
- Peer Support Associate (2)
- Roles available are 2 Peer SupportAssociates
- EHE Innovative project funding can fill some unallowable cost with RW funding.

Moving Forward

Community Partner Meetings have started and will continue 2

Program Documents

 Assessment Tools have been created and developed to prevent overlap 3

Scope of services

• Roles & Responsibilities have been defined

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Plan for the vetting process will begin in the coming week or so











Questions?



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