STOUT STREET HEALTH CENTER AND RENAISSANCE STOUT STREET LOFTS

Community Partner: The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless
Location: Denver, Colorado
Target Population: Chronically homeless individuals and families
Homes Created: 78
Health Space Created: 53,000 square feet
Loan Fund Investment: $1,570,000 in Acquisition and Predevelopment Loans
Total Enterprise Investment: $1,820,000

COMBINING HOMES WITH HEALTH CARE SERVICES EFFECTIVELY MEETS NEEDS OF HOMELESS

When Stout Street Health Center and Renaissance Stout Street Lofts opened their doors in 2014, they allowed the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless to provide Denver’s most vulnerable residents with the comprehensive resources they need to rebuild their lives. Made possible by an investment from the Enterprise Community Loan Fund, the development created stable homes and a large health center dedicated to providing physical and mental health care and social services for Denver’s homeless. The Lofts provides 78 homes, and the Health Center serves 13,000 patients, including 1,000 children, each year.

The Stout Street Health Center has demonstrated the importance of using an integrated health care model to care for its high-needs patients. It provides medical care along with dental, vision, and mental health treatment at a single location and in a single visit, making it easier for patients to obtain all of the care they need. This also ensures that their primary care doctor, therapist, dentist, and vision doctor are all operating with the same information and have a holistic picture of the patient they are treating.

The success of Stout Street is now being replicated through the creation of the Denver Social Impact Bond, which will facilitate more investment in supportive housing for the chronically homeless.

The impact case study featured in Aligning Home and Health Care Through Strategic Investment uses quantitative and qualitative evidence to better understand the project’s positive impact on patients, residents and the community.

The Stout Street Health Center and Renaissance Stout Street Lofts provide...

78 units of permanent supportive housing
53k square-foot health center
2X space compared to former clinic
Ann is a disabled resident who lives at The Lofts with her husband and six-year-old daughter, who has special needs. After years of homelessness, bouncing between shelters and low-cost motels, the family is now stably housed at the Stout Street Lofts and more of her husband's salary is able to go towards meeting their other needs. They are also able to spend more time and energy focusing on their health needs. Ann and her daughter obtain their primary health care services from the Health Center downstairs, which she believes has contributed to their better overall health.

"Having the services close together helps so you don’t have to make long trips to get to providers. You are more likely to utilize those resources instead of trying to tough it out."

To learn more about Ann, other patients, and the positive impact of Stout Street, read our Social Return on Investment report: Aligning Home and Health Care Through Strategic Investment at www.enterprisecommunity.org/resources. For more information, contact Rachel Reilly Carroll at rrcarroll@enterprisecommunity.org