

20 Years of Success Stories: Domestic Violence Shelter

CASA ST. PETERSBURG







"Domestic violence is an equal opportunity destroyer. We hope to give victims better choices and more opportunity."

- Linda Osmundson, Executive Director, CASA

- 1,000 domestic abuse police reports are filed monthly in South Pinellas County alone
- domestic violence is the #1 cause of injury to women between the ages of 15 and 44
- 1,400 people were turned away from CASA's 30-bed shelter in 2014 due to lack of space
- 95% of CASA's clients are very low-income

Domestic violence affects both genders, people of all ages and income levels. Victims are often jobless and suffer from illness and injury which drives up healthcare costs – an estimated \$8.3 billion nationwide annually. Providing shelter and counseling is beneficial not only for the individuals, but for the community as a whole as it increases productivity and lowers related costs.

Using the New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) Program, CASA is building a new 100-bed shelter, providing refuge, crisis intervention, professional training, and day care. Florida Community Loan Fund provided \$12 million in Federal tax credits and \$4.8 million in State tax credits for the \$12 million project.

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SUCCESS LEADS TO IMPACT

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provides refuge, crisis intervention, advocacy, professional training and community outreach to break the silence that isolates victims of domestic violence.

With FCLF and other partners, CASA's new facility will have a significant social impact for the individuals and the community as it works to offer choices and opportunity to victims and help break the cycle of domestic violence.

\$12
MILLION
TOTAL
PROJECT

\$12 MILLION FCLF FEDERAL NMTC

40,000 SQ-FOOT NEW FACILITY \$4.8
MILLION
FCLF STATE
NMTC

100
BEDS WITH
SUPPORTIVE
SOCIAL
SERVICES

192
JOBS
CREATED OR
RETAINED



EXPERTISE AND CAPITAL TO HELP YOUR PROJECT SUCCEED.



FLORIDA COMMUNITY LOAN FUND provides

expertise and capital to make projects successful and help organizations improve lives and communities. We help build strong communities by providing financing and technical expertise for high-impact projects in low-income communities throughout Florida.

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HOUSING

AFFORDABLE • SUPPORTIVE • MULTIFAMILY PRESERVATION

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

HOMELESS & SPECIAL NEEDS • EDUCATION AND YOUTH • COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COMMERCIAL & RETAIL = NEW MARKETS TAX CREDIT = FOOD ACCESS