

## Housing is Healthcare – Session Handout for CBHC

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**Housing is one of the most important social determinants of health, and Jefferson Center is focused on bringing this to the forefront of our work in a much more intentional and bigger way than we have in the past.**

**Jefferson Center for Mental Health – Continuum of Care:** Behavioral health services, substance use services, supportive services, voucher administrative services, homeless outreach & navigation services, landlord/building owner, developer.

**Permanent Supportive Housing:** Overview of Supportive Housing

### Why We Are Moving into This Space:

- Better opportunities to access care for community members who are most in need
- Understanding the impact of social determinants of health on mental and physical health
- Meeting a community need
- We are qualified to provide the most comprehensive wrap-around services to individuals

**Harm Reduction & Trauma-Informed Care:** Breaking down barriers by building community and offering an array of services and housing that truly meets the community's needs.

### Challenges:

- Funding, Billing, Financial Stability: Medicaid can only do so much!
- Development Challenges: Volatile market, supply chain issues, financial capital, City processes/permits
- Rehab vs. New Developments
- Site-Based vs. Project-Based Vouchers

### What's Next:

- Solid Ground Apartments – 40 Units of PSH in Lakewood, Colorado.
- Conceptualizing a Housing Navigation Center with collaboration with local government support.
- Continued collaboration with community partners to expand Permanent Supportive Housing, affordable housing, and housing services continuum to more comprehensively support community needs.



*Rendering of Solid Ground Apartments, to be built in Lakewood, CO*