

# Homeward Bound OF MARIN



## QUICK FACTS

Total Project Cost:  
\$19 Million

Raised to Date:  
\$17,600,000

Start Date:  
Winter 2020

Reopening:  
Summer 2022



*Workers drill helical piles for the new foundation, February 2021*

## The Road Home with Mill Street 2.0

Homeward Bound is rebuilding Mill Street Center in San Rafael. Assisting people in need for more than three decades, Mill Street Center is Marin County's primary emergency shelter for adults facing a crisis of homelessness, offering a critical lifeline to help hundreds of individuals each year find their way back home.

The future Mill Street Center will have four floors, including an emergency shelter with over 40 beds and two upper floors with 32 rooms for people with disabilities to permanently end their long-term homelessness. The new facility will offer a more purpose-built environment, including rooms for youth, gender-neutral spaces, bicycle parking, outdoor terraces, a computer lab, and an upgraded kitchen.

With intensive services designed to help those who struggle the most to find stability and achieve independent lives, the improved Mill Street Center will provide a type of supportive housing not currently available in Marin, including round-the-clock staffing for added support.



**"No doubt, Mill Street saved my life." - Chris, former Mill Street Center resident**

Tenants in the 32 rooms will pay affordable rents, with each floor sharing a kitchen and community spaces. Rebuilding the shelter will boost efficiency and ensure people without homes in Marin have a safe place to sleep, eat, shower, apply for housing opportunities, earn income, and secure a new lease on life.

To rebuild Mill Street Center will cost \$19 million. Key contributions include \$4.5 million from the California Homeless Emergency Aid Program, \$1.5 million from Partnership HealthPlan, \$4.5 million from the State's No Place Like Home program, \$1.5 million from Marin Community Foundation, and a \$1 million gift from the Nancy H. and James Kelso Fund.

With a goal of completing construction by mid-2022, Homeward Bound is providing adult shelter services at a former San Rafael office building until Mill Street is ready to reopen.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

We are seeking investments from compassionate people who want to open doors for individuals advancing on their journeys out of homelessness, including the following naming opportunities:

\$1,000,000 underwrites an entire floor of affordable housing for people with disabilities and complex needs to permanently exit long-term homelessness.

\$200,000 will build our new shelter kitchen, serving more than 20,000 evening meals a year.

\$50,000 sponsors one of 32 rooms for someone to end their struggle with prolonged homelessness forever.

We hope you'll help us down the home stretch by giving online at [HBOFM.ORG/DONATE](https://HBOFM.ORG/DONATE) or by check to Homeward Bound of Marin, 1385 N. Hamilton Parkway, Novato, CA 94949, with "Mill Street" in the memo.

Thank you for securing Mill Street Center's future and your commitment to helping people make lasting changes in their lives. We look forward to updating you soon!

### OUR WISH LIST:

Community support is also needed to cover the cost of these items and bring the new Mill Street Center to life!

\$50,000 - Offices for staff to assist people seeking shelter and provide them with individualized help.

\$25,000 - Energy-efficient laundry facilities for shelter residents.

\$10,000 - One of four outdoor terrace retreats for peaceful contemplation.

\$5,000 - Computer lab for residents to look for jobs and fill out housing applications.