

Housing Options for the Mentally Ill in Evanston

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Housing Options' mission is to develop housing opportunities for adults recovering from mental illnesses, provide a network of support services so that each person can live as independently as possible, and advance understanding of mental illnesses and the need for supportive housing.

Description:

Housing Options provides supportive housing to individuals recovering from mental illnesses, like schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, and severe depression. Residents receive affordable apartments and support from a team of social workers, case managers, psychiatrists, and a nurse. Housing Options fully-furnishes and equips all apartments with furniture, appliances, linens, and dishes.

Housing Options currently serves 56 individuals. The agency owns six apartment buildings and leases an additional 20 scattered-site apartments. To be eligible for Housing Options' programs, an applicant must have a mental illness and be in need of supportive housing.

The agency offers a safe, dignified alternative to homelessness and unnecessary institutionalization.

History:

Housing Options is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization started by a group of citizens concerned by the lack of supportive housing for adults with mental illnesses. Since its incorporation in 1988, the agency has served over 130 individuals.



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