

# Open House

The key to safety and hope may need to open different doors.



## Why do we need another confidential shelter option?

Each victim served has unique needs and circumstances and we are responding to those unique needs with a new approach to safe shelter.

- Victim or abuser lives near the existing Safehouse campus.
- Male and transgender victims.
- Victims with service animals.
- Victims with medical needs.



## Where will Open House be located?

Open House will be a confidential domestic violence shelter. Its location will remain a secret to ensure the safety of its residents. Open House will be located in an area that makes other supportive services easily accessible.



## How will the residents be supported?

Open House residents will have access to 24/7 onsite staffing by trained domestic violence and sexual assault advocates. Survivors staying at Open House will have access to individual and group counseling, case management, legal assistance, and referrals to other supportive services.



## How is Open House different?

Open House redefines what safe and confidential shelter looks like for survivors. By providing an alternative to communal shelter environments, Open House provides safe shelter opportunities to victims who may not otherwise be able to safely exit a violent relationship. Due to their unique needs, these victims are often more vulnerable to continued abuse yet lack options.



## What is the cost of Open House?

WEAVE received a \$1 million forgivable loan through the Emergency Housing Assistance Program (EHAP) to purchase and complete safety repairs two fourplexes that will comprise Open House. WEAVE is proud to partner with HomeAid and grateful to Lennar Homes for stepping up as the project's Builder Captain. WEAVE anticipates being able to complete all renovations by leveraging these resources and approximately \$30,000 in donations.

WEAVE will leverage existing staff and infrastructure resources to keep operating costs reasonable. The agency is finalizing estimates for FYE 16 which will include operations for six to nine months. WEAVE will leverage existing grants and contracts to cover a portion of the costs with remaining costs secured through community support to ensure every victim has access to safe shelter.



## How Can I Help?

Financial support is needed to complete renovations and for ongoing operations. To learn more and to make a secure, online donation, go to [www.weaveinc.org](http://www.weaveinc.org).