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PROGRESS REPORT

We told you about our collaboration with <u>Palomar College</u> in previous newsletters (<u>February</u>, <u>May</u>, <u>June</u> and <u>July</u> issues of 2020, and the <u>November</u> and <u>December</u> issues of 2021). We have worked with the <u>Architecture</u>, <u>Interior Design</u> and <u>Cabinet and Furniture Technology</u> programs. In our <u>November 2022</u> Newsletter, we introduced you to Jordan Clarke, Assistant Professor and the head of the Cabinet and Furniture Technology Department. Jordan's students are building cabinets for our second cottage this semester in their amazing woodshop at Palomar College's main campus in San Marcos.

We have also introduced you to Joseph Lucido, Associate Professor and the head of the Architecture Department. The Architecture Department prepares students for employment as design/production drafters in the field of architecture. Palomar offers **Certificates of Achievement** as well as **Associate of Science Degrees in Architecture** and prepares students who want to transfer to 5-year architectural degree programs at universities.

During the Covid 19 pandemic, the Architecture and Interior Design Departments moved to Palomar College's Rancho Bernardo Education Center in San Diego. It is a beautiful facility with state-of-the—art class-rooms. Both departments are located on the 4th floor to facilitate and enhance collaboration between the departments. All three programs are thriving and working hard to prepare their students for careers in the built environment.



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VIP PROFILE

Our American Veterans

Check out the new and improved <u>Wounded Warrior Homes</u> <u>website</u>. A team of senior students from the <u>College of Business Administration</u> at <u>California State University San Marcos</u> spent their last semester working to improve the digital footprint for Wounded Warrior Homes.







Feeding Our Warriors: Wounded Warrior Homes Food Drive

Help keep our veterans healthy by donating to the WWH food pantry.





Food donations are a great way to support the Wounded Warrior Homes program. They accept all forms of packaged/sealed food and are equipped for refrigerated and frozen storage as well as for shelf-stable items.

Wounded Warrior Homes accepts in-kind donations of living essentials and toiletries. Consider giving laundry detergent, shampoo, or other household supplies.

By providing our veterans with day-to-day essentials, they can make their transition even more successful.

Support our wounded Veterans by shopping on the <u>Wounded Warrior Homes</u> needs list <u>here</u>. Their pantry could use some love!



Contact Us with Questions

Helping Those Who Protect Our Freedom

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

San Marcos High School

Our Wednesday work days at San Marcos High School were hampered by rain in December, and then halted entirely for the Winter Recess from December 19th through January 6th. So, January was a less productive month for our construction students at SMHS. But, the pace of their work will pick up now that they are back on a full schedule and the sun is shining again.

Our students continued to work on a garden shed for the Agricultural program at SMHS, installing deck material donated by <u>Weyerhaeuser</u> as siding. <u>Agricultural Education</u> is one of nine <u>Career Technical Education</u> (CTE) programs at SMHS.





Our friends at Weyerhaeuser delivered another load of deck materials to SMHS in December. Some will be used to build a deck and stairs for our second cottage, while some of the guardrail components were shared with our friends at Wounded Warrior Homes. The boxes of Azek TimberTeck guardrail materials were a little soggy from the rains, but the guardrails were unharmed and will make a nice addition to our Wounded Warrior Homes ADU.



Weyerhaeuser





On rainy days a few students worked inside our cottage checking items off of their 'punch list'. In late January, two student builders were installing additional blocking at the intersection of the walls and ceilings around the inside perimeter of the house to support the 'hanging' of dry wall.





On rainy days, teacher Chris Geldert also teaches his construction students how to properly and safely use all of the woodworking equipment in their shop. The students are using table saws and a pocket hole machine to make window frames for the 6 windows on our cottage.

PARTNERS Interfaith Community Services



Interfaith's new Abraham and Lillian Turk Recuperative Care Center will provide a place of healing and restoration for our local neighbors working to overcome homelessness and rebuild their lives. Interfaith needs your support and partnership to bring this critical resource to reality. The completion of the project is projected within 2021.

Project Background

In June 2019, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to award Interfaith Community Services a \$6,000,000 capital grant to expand our proven-effective Recuperative Care Program and to create a Graduate Lodging Program. In October

2020, Interfaith purchased a 77-room motel located at 555 N. Centre City Parkway for \$8.6 million. The refurbishment, upgrade and development of the Turk Center will cost \$1.8 million for total project cost of \$10,400,000. A community fundraising campaign has been initiated to fund the remaining \$4.4 million.



Interfaith Community Services is proud to announce our new center for healing and transformation within walking distance of our Escondido headquarters. Transforming an existing motel property, the new Abraham and Lillian Turk Recuperative Care Center will become the home of the Interfaith Post-Hospitalization Recuperative Care program and the new Interfaith Graduate Temporary Lodging program.

PARTNERS

Interfaith Community Services (continued)



Join Us in Helping Provide a Pathway to Stable Housing for Our Most Vulnerable Neighbors

Interfaith Community Services is actively seeking donor support and partnership to bring The Turk Center to reality. We cherish gifts of all sizes and closely guard your wish to remain anonymous. At the same time, it is a wonderful opportunity to honor your family, business, organization or foundation by considering a naming opportunity at our new center.

Naming opportunities are available in recognition of gifts of all sizes towards this project. Pledges can be paid over multiple years. All gifts supporting the completion of the Abraham and Lillian Turk Recuperative Care Center will be applied 100% toward the purchase and renovations.



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Meeting the Need

Interfaith Community Services plans to operate two distinct types of programs at the Abraham and Lillian Turk Recuperative Care Center, each helping people with temporary lodging while they seek transitional or permanent housing:

Recuperative Care: Adults discharged from local hospitals without housing and in need of care.

Graduate Lodging: Adults who have graduated from other Interfaith programs, including substance use treatment, homeless shelter, and recuperative care, and in need of temporary lodging.

Interfaith's Recuperative Care Program (RCP) is currently a 32-bed, 24/7 facility, providing community-based transient lodging care and treatment for individuals experiencing homelessness and needing further recuperation when being discharged from local hospitals. We have measurable success supporting people in overcoming crises through our programs and services, and our existing 32-bed Recuperative Care center is at capacity.

The Abraham and Lillian Turk Recuperative Care Center will support relocation and enable RCP to expand to 54 total beds. In addition, it will create critically needed Graduate Lodging, providing 33 rooms for graduates of Interfaith's programs who are still seeking transitional or permanent housing.



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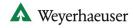








































































































































DONATE TO THE WARRIOR VILLAGE PROJECT

We can provide <u>truly affordable</u>, permanent housing. But, we can't do it for free. To succeed, we need financial support. The materials required to build our cottages cost about \$60,000 per cottage (June 2022 estimate). It will cost about \$10,000 to transport a cottage to its installation site. The cost of installing a cottage as an Accessory Dwelling Unit will depend on the site. But, it should cost about \$30,000 per cottage. Hence, we can provide permanent housing for a veteran for about \$100,000 per unit (\$250/sq ft). This is a bargain compared to the cost of government supported 'affordable' housing projects. According to the <u>Terner Center for Housing Innovation</u> at UC Berkeley, in 2019 it cost an average of \$480,000 (\$700/sq ft) to build one unit of affordable housing in California under the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program.

Donors who wish to donate for the construction of our cottages at San Marcos High School can make a contribution through our fiscal sponsor, <u>The San Marcos Promise</u> (https://thesanmarcospromise.org/donate/#ways-to-donate), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

- Online Donations: When you donate online, please 'Leave A Comment' indicating that your donation is for the Warrior Village Project.
- Donations by Check: Mail your check, made payable to <u>The San Marcos Promise</u>, to:

The San Marcos Promise 255 Pico Avenue, Suite 103 San Marcos, CA 92069

Please write on the Check's Memo Line that your donation is for the Warrior Village Project.

Please help us to provide affordable, permanent housing for homeless veterans while training the next generation of homebuilders.

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