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\$75,000 BHHS LEGACY FOUNDATION GRANT WILL FUND HUMAN SERVICES CAMPUS NAVIGATION PROGRAM LEADING TO PERMANENT HOUSING

PHOENIX, Ariz. (June 18, 2019): BHHS Legacy Foundation, an Arizona charitable organization whose philanthropic mission is to enhance the quality of life and health of those it serves, has awarded the Human Services Campus (HSC), a \$75,000 grant to support a navigation program that connects homeless individuals with services leading to permanent housing.

HSC, a 501c3 nonprofit agency, owns and operates a 13-acre campus at 12th Avenue and Madison that is home to 20 nonprofit organizations providing services and resources to people experiencing homelessness.

“Thanks to this generous financial support from BHHS Legacy Foundation, our HSC Navigators will be able to engage with and help more individuals experiencing homelessness to successfully transition into permanent housing,” said HSC Executive Director Amy Schwabenlender. “Navigation addresses the fundamental needs of individuals experiencing homelessness for food, clothing, safety, housing and health. The ultimate outcome is safe, stable, affordable housing which leads to improved health, lower health-care costs and improved quality of life.”

Between 800 and 1,000 individuals experiencing homelessness visit the Human Services Campus each day. Approximately 30 percent of HSC clients are women and one-third are over 50 years old. In 2018, 6,434 unduplicated individuals sought services at HSC.

“Each individual has a unique set of circumstances, and most, if not all, are addressed with the help of our Navigation team,” Schwabenlender said. “We are very

grateful to BHHS Legacy Foundation for supporting our efforts to address the challenge of homelessness.”

According to the 2019 Maricopa Regional Continuum of Care Annual Point-in-Time Count, 6,614 people experienced homelessness on a single night. Nearly 1,000 were identified as chronically homeless.

For more information, visit www.hsc-az.org.

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About BHHS Legacy Foundation: BHHS Legacy Foundation is an Arizona nonprofit dedicated to improving community health and access to healthcare for Arizona children, families and seniors. Since its inception in 2001, the Foundation has invested more than \$75 million into the communities it serves through grants to nonprofit organizations, programs and projects that support its mission and vision. For information, visit www.bhhslegacy.org.

ABOUT THE HUMAN SERVICES CAMPUS: Founded in 2005, the Human Services Campus is a collaborative force of partner organizations united on one campus to end homelessness. Located just west of downtown Phoenix, 20 independent agencies on the Campus see nearly 1,000 individuals every day, offering a holistic range of client services including: reunification with family and friends; mental, physical and dental health; shelter; employment; meals; legal services and housing. Having all of these resources in one location with intra-agency communications makes it more feasible to provide a customized engagement for each client to help end their homelessness. For more information, visit www.hsc-az.org.

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