13 October 2022

Dear donor,

I am writing on behalf of Anawim House. For 31 years, we have been supporting people living with poverty and homelessness in downtown Victoria. We are excited to announce a fundraiser and silent auction for Anawim’s **new women’s house.** The event will be held at the Inn at Laurel Point on November 18, 2022 from 7–10 p.m.

The new Anawim women’s house will help meet the critical need for housing for women living on the street. Like our men’s house, the Anawim women’s house will offer a family model of recovery in a substance-free environment. The need for such a house—a place where women can live in safety while they recover their lives, reconnect with loved ones, including children, and build a hopeful future—has never been greater than it is today. We are asking for your support.

We’ve called our fundraiser “WE” to highlight the role all of us play in addressing the crisis of addiction, mental illness, and homelessness on our streets. Anawim receives no direct funding from government, and every dollar we raise goes to fund our services. We have been doing this work for over three decades, and our record of success speaks for itself—we have helped hundreds of men and women make lasting, positive changes in their lives.

We expect the in-person fundraiser and the online auction to attract over 700 viewers. Donors will be prominently featured in our fundraiser program, on our Facebook and Instagram pages, and in our annual newsletter. That publicity will reach over 2500 people. The event program will also include a “support our supporters” page listing contact details for donors. All donations will receive a charitable donation receipt.

**We are particularly excited to announce that a generous donor will match the funds we raise through the auction. That means that your donation will be worth twice as much!**

Can you help us out with a donation of a product or service from your business for our auction?

Gift certificates for goods or services can be sent to the above e-mail address or street address. If you need to arrange for pickup of a donated item, please contact us by phone or e-mail.

Thank you for taking the time to read this donation request. Let me take this opportunity to invite you to visit Anawim House, 973 Caledonia Street, Victoria, to see in person the work your valuable donation makes possible.

With gratitude,



Susan Doyle, Member, Board of Directors

Anawim Companions Society