N STREET VILLAGE

We support women experiencing homelessness in Washington, D.C. by offering a broad spectrum of supportive services, housing, and advocacy in an atmosphere of dignity and respect.



Village today!

A SAFE AND DIGNIFIED PLACE TO CALL HOME

AS I ENTERED N STREET, I was instantly shown concern, understanding, care and most of all, love. You had people who didn't want to break you down but wanted to build you up, make you want something different in life.

~ India Frazier, Village alum

How We Serve Women

We believe in a comprehensive approach to meeting our clients' needs. At our seven locations, which are open year-round, we offer a full array of services, from our day center to emergency shelter to permanent supportive housing to affordable housing.

Every woman who comes to the Village has access to all our supportive services, including the Bethany Women's Day Center; the Judith Morris Wellness Center; the MARJ and MAK Vocational Center (MMVC); and the Greenhouse, supporting women in recovery.

We are proud to provide a safe and dignified place to call home for more than 1,200 women across the city.

41% have a disability

67% have no income when arriving at the Village

55% have a mental illness, addiction or both

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Meeting Women's Unique Needs

For 50+ years, N Street Village has been meeting the needs of women in an ever-changing landscape of homelessness. We continue to adapt to ensure each woman who comes through our doors receives the attention, care, and resources she needs.



Providing geriatric-focused care for older women

At the Village, almost a quarter of the women served are age 50 and over. Older Americans are one of the fastest growing demographics in the country. The D.C. City Council predicts that the population of older residents (83,600 in 2019) could rise as much as 24.4% by 2030.

To meet these changing demographics, N Street Village is developing a housing program that serves women age 60 and older who want to live in shared housing with supportive services, including medication management, healthcare, nutrition and meal support, safety and security, and intensive wrap-around somatic services and activities, such as gentle yoga, physical therapy, and intentional social interactions.

We want to ensure low-income women and women experiencing homelessness have a productive and healthy life as they age – every woman has the right to age in a safe and dignified environment.

Tackling mental health as a root cause of homelessness

More than half of our permanent supportive housing residents report having mental illness or addiction challenges. Recognizing that mental health is often the root cause of homelessness, we are providing intensive behavioral health support to ensure our clients are better able to obtain and maintain safe and stable housing. With the support of N Street Village, 96% of women maintained stability with their mental health over the past year.

Our goal is to increase one-on-one and group therapeutic services using on-site clinical staff and interns from counseling and social work programs.

Developing literacy initiatives

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, 21% – or about one in five adults – have low literacy skills, bordering on illiteracy. While few statistics exist about literacy and homelessness, we know that low literacy skills affect an individual's ability to find a job that makes a living wage.

N Street Village's literacy program aims to enhance functional literacy levels beyond the necessities for daily living, with a focus on boosting employment opportunities, improving economic stability, and mitigating poverty. Through an innovative and tailored approach, the program addresses the unique needs of our clients, building their comprehension in five key areas of health, digital tools, culture, general information, and financial principles.

By fostering these essential literacy skills, our program empowers individuals to navigate complex societal systems, enhance their life quality, and open doors to new opportunities and paths to self-sufficiency.